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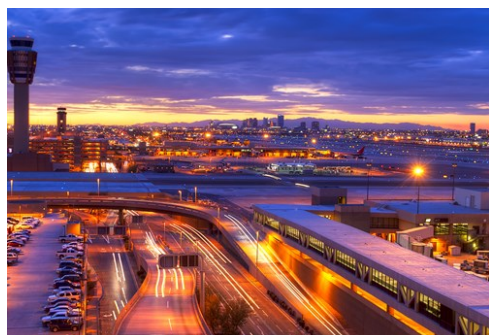
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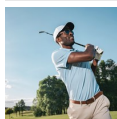
Phoenix is in the unique position of having warm weather year round. While temperatures do reach upwards of 100 degrees in the summer months, it's dry heat you can breathe—without the downfalls of humidity! Phoenix is also the most populous state capital in the U.S., which translates to a richly diverse collection of cultures and activities. And perhaps most spectacularly, every drive or stroll through the city is accompanied by a backdrop of the Sonoran Desert, sandy mountain ranges and eternal blue skies.

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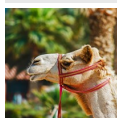
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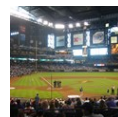
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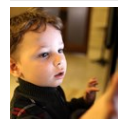
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Phoenix has become an ever-blossoming metropolitan. Second only to Las Vegas in population growth since 2007, Phoenix has undergone substantial economic growth as a result. The success of its Downtown has seen countless stores, businesses, restaurants and entertainment venues opening in central Phoenix. Suffice to say, the city has made impressive strides since the tumultuous subprime mortgage crashes of 2008—seeking to rebuild itself time and time again in testament to its namesake.

Not to be forgotten is Phoenix's heavenly beauty. Canvas skies of rosy sunrises and tangerine sunsets begin and end each day in the city, and it would seem there aren't enough hours to capture the natural splendor. Phoenix is a landscape of wonder and awe that calls to the adventurous of spirit and romantics of heart.

DO & SEE



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Adventures amidst the Sonoran Desert and a rich history create plenty to do in this fantastic city. Much of Phoenix's appeal lies with its natural beauty, from the tremendous mountains erected from the deserts to the museums that have captured the essence of Native Phoenix. There is more excitement beyond the trails and city streets, with an opportunity to see the Phoenix from the skies!

Camelback Mountain



Standing at 2,704 feet tall, Camelback Mountain is conveniently located in the center of the Phoenix Valley. From the mountain's base to its

top, the panorama of the beautiful landscape and city is all around, making the hike a must for locals and visitors alike. Hikers may choose from two challenging trails, Echo Canyon or Cholla, with Echo Canyon being steeper and Cholla being longer. Guided hikes are also available. Blue skies and a feeling of accomplishment will meet you at the top of Camelback!

Photo: Globe Guide Media Inc/Shutterstock.com

Address: 5700 North Echo Canyon Parkway, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: sunrise to sunset (trailhead hours)

Phone: +1 612 599 3616

Internet: www.climbcamelback.com

Musical Instrument Museum



If you don't know what a Sanza is, you can find out in the Musical Instrument Museum. See their exhibition of more than 6,800 instruments from

all over the world, learn about who plays them and what era they come from. Of course, you'll be able to try some of them.

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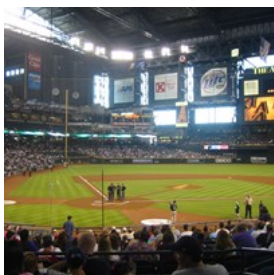
Address: 4725 E Mayo Blvd, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 9am-5pm

Phone: +1 480 478 6000

Internet: www.mim.org

Chase Field



Whether you are a Baseball fan or not, you might want to add a visit of Chase Field to your schedule. This modern baseball park offers

informative tours of the stadium with knowledgeable guides. Once the game is on, you will surely enjoy your visit.

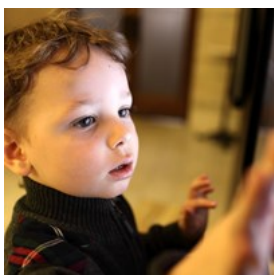
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Address: 401 E Jefferson St, Phoenix

Phone: +1 602 514 8400

Internet: www.azchasefield.com

The Children's Museum of Phoenix



This interactive museum is literally a huge playground for children, with activities for all age groups. You'll watch them have fun trying all sorts

of devices, contraptions and toys.

Photo: Chubykin Arkady/Shutterstock.com

Address: 215 N 7th St, Phoenix

Opening hours: Tuesday-Sunday: 9am-4pm

Phone: +1 602 253 0501

Internet: www.childrensmuseumofphoenix.org

Hall of Flame Museum of Firefighting



Hall of Flame is an educational display of fire equipment. It shows the history of firefighting, beginning from the 19th century and ending with the newest trucks from the 70's and '80's.

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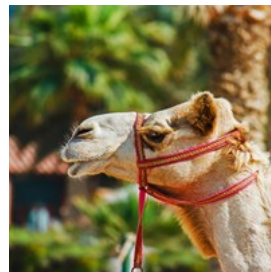
Address: 6101 E Van Buren Street, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 9am-5pm, Sunday: 12pm-4pm

Phone: +1 602 275 3473

Internet: www.hallofflame.org

Phoenix Zoo



Located close to the Botanical gardens, Phoenix Zoo has all different kinds of animals. There is a large area dedicated to those of the

Sonoran desert and you can get quite close to most of them. They also organize daily activities that allow you to interact with the animals, such as camel riding, stingrays petting and goat brushing.

Photo: Zhukov Oleg/Shutterstock.com

Address: 455 N Galvin Pkwy, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 9am-5pm

Phone: +1 602 286 3800

Internet: www.phoenixzoo.org

Martin Auto Museum



A must for those interested in cars and their history. This is a personal collection museum of vintage cars and other memorabilia you can learn interesting facts about.

Photo: Piergiovanni M/Shutterstock.com

Address: 17641 N Black Canyon Hwy, Phoenix

Opening hours: Tuesday-Saturday: 10am-5pm

Phone: +1 602 298 2377

Internet: www.martinautomuseum.com

Arizona Outdoor Fun



Go on a desert winding road tour on ATVs. It will be a fun ride on these powerful machines and you will learn a lot about the desert as well. Just make sure you wear clothes you are willing to get dirty.

Photo: Toa55/Shutterstock.com

Address: 35972 S Old Black Canyon Highway, Black Canyon City

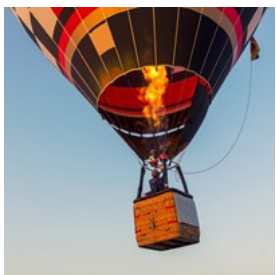
Opening hours: Daily: 7am-7pm

Phone: +1 602 400 2445

Internet: www.arizonaoutdoorfun.com

Email: info@arizonaoutdoorfun.com

2 Fly Us Hot Air Balloon Rides



Escape the city and add another dimension to your Phoenix trip with a hot air balloon ride. 2 Fly Us offers scenic flights over the Valley of the Sun

seven days a week. Guests can even choose sunrise or sunset flights, providing the weather is clear and safe. Rides may be scheduled all

year round, and each package lasts between 2 and 4 hours (factoring in pick and drop off), with 1 hour for the in-air flight. Booking in advance is required.

Photo: Barat Roland/Shutterstock.com

Address: Deer Valley Airport, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 6am-8pm

Phone: +1 623 583 1314

Internet: www.2flyus.com

Heard Museum



The Heard Museum has been preserving Native American culture with historical accuracy and diligent sensitivity since 1929. Collaborating with

Native peoples from the Phoenix area, Heard is recognized for its educational programs and exhibits, as well as its exciting festivals. Native artists and communities have contributed gorgeous art and their own, first person perspectives. Every first Friday of the month, except for March, the admission is free from 6 to 10pm.

Photo: TB studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2301 N Central Ave, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 9.30am-5pm, Sunday: 11am-5pm.

Phone: +1 602 252 8840

Internet: www.heard.org

Carnival of Illusion



Long raved as a must-see event for Phoenix locals and visitors, the Carnival of Illusion brings a taste of old world magic to the Valley of the Sun. The

Carnival combines Vaudeville Magic, Mystery and romantic intrigue for a night of endless

entertainment. As each show is limited to a few dozen guests, advance reservations are required. Note that children under 13 are not admitted.

Photo: OpenLens

Address: 2400 E Missouri Ave, Phoenix

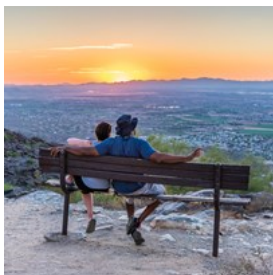
Opening hours: Tuesday-Saturday: 9am-10pm

Phone: +1 480 359 7469

Internet: www.carnivalofillusion.com

Email: thrills@carnivalofillusion.com

South Mountain Park



With a surface of more than 16,000 acres, the South Mountain Park and Preserve is the largest municipal park in the nation. On its trails there

are activities for everyone, from horseback riding to hiking and mountain biking. Cars enter Summit Road and are allowed to proceed to Dobbins Lookout and Gila Lookout. Dobbins Lookout is perfect for a valley vista, and Gila Lookout provides riveting views of the Gila River Valley. Be wary that the road is not only shared by bikers and hikers, but also contains steep sections and blind curves. Do not exceed 25 mph.

Photo: Gregory E. Clifford/Shutterstock.com

Address: 10919 S Central Ave, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 5am-7pm

Phone: +1 602 262 7393

Internet:

www.phoenix.gov/parks/trails/locations/south-mountain

Mystery Castle



Born of Boyce Gully's love for his daughter, the Mystery Castle was erected by Gully himself as a testament to imagination, creativity and passion. The castle has now been critically

acclaimed and nationally recognized for its fortitude and emotionally stirring qualities. The Mystery Castle is open from October through May.

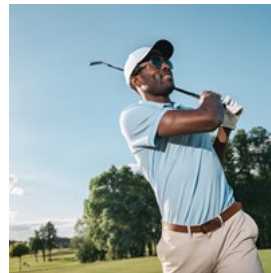
Photo: Melissa/Flickr.com(image cropped)

Address: 800 E Mineral Road, Phoenix

Opening hours: Thursday-Sunday 11am-3.30pm

Internet: www.mymysterycastle.com

Arizona Biltmore Resort - Adobe Course



50 year-old fairways, spaciouly lush layouts, serene mountain vistas and grand history all await guests at the Adobe Golf Course at Arizona

Biltmore. The Adobe is Phoenix's diamond of courses, alluring players who retain a respect for golf's rich past.

Photo: LightField Studios/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2400 East Missouri Avenue, Phoenix

Phone: +1 602 955 6600

Internet: www.arizonabiltmore.com

Orpheum Theater



Bryan Adams, Lewis Black and Feist are just several actors to have passed through the esteemed Orpheum Theater at Phoenix. A

Spanish Baroque Revival décor adorns the lobby, while the 1,364-seat auditorium has imposing columns and a hand-painted ceiling depicting the sunset. The Orpheum features the Theatre League's Broadway Series, national tours, comedy shows and even jazz concerts.

Photo: Kiselev Andrey Valerevich/Shutterstock.com

Address: 203 West Adams Street, Phoenix

Phone: +1 602 262 6225

Internet:

www.orpheum-theater.com/orpheum_theater_phoenix.php

Pueblo Grande Museum



The Pueblo Grande Museum is Phoenix's learning destination for those wishing to venture into the history and ancient cultures of the

area. Guests can walk along the outdoor interpretive trail, which features a ballcourt of the Hohokam people, prehistoric ruins of their platform mound, canal waterways, housing replicas and an interpretive agricultural garden. There are also three educational galleries to be explored, where you can learn more about archaeology and the Hohokam people.

Photo: Gary Saxe/Shutterstock.com

Address: 4619 E Washington St, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 9am-4.45pm, Sunday: 1pm-4.45pm

Phone: +1 602 495 0901

Internet: www.pueblogrande.org

Email: contact@pueblogrande.org

More Info: Hours are subject to change depending on the season

Desert Botanical Garden



Not your typical botanical garden, the Desert Botanical Garden has the unique characteristic of featuring also flora natural to the sandy

terrain. The garden is 140 acres of pure wonder, with 55 of those acres under cultivation and over 50,000 plants being showcased in the outdoor exhibits. The Ottosen Entry Garden provides amenities for visitors, a paved way to the Harriet K. Maxwell Desert Wildflower Loop Trail or to the Desert Discovery Loop Trail. The latter

connects to all trails and exhibits.

Photo: Kaiplapan/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1201 N Galvin Parkway, Phoenix

Opening hours: Sunday-Wednesday: 8am-10pm,

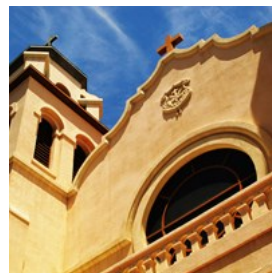
Thursday-Saturday: 8am-11pm

Phone: +1 480 941 1225

Internet: www.dbg.org

Email: contact@dbg.org

St. Mary's Basilica



In order to become a basilica, a church must be determined by the Pope to be of exceptional and ceremonial significance for the Catholic Church.

Such is St. Mary's Basilica in Phoenix, which opens its doors for everyone to partake in its beauty. The stained glass windows and carillon tower are breathtaking, and its historic 1987 visit from Pope John Paul II serves to add to its grandeur. As daily mass is still celebrated, please be mindful of your attire and behavior.

Photo: Danielle Coleman/Flickr.com(image cropped)

Address: 231 North 3rd Street, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 9am-4pm, Saturday: 10am-6pm, Sunday: 8am-1pm.

Phone: +1 602 354 2100

Internet: www.saintmarysbasilica.org

Email: frontdesk@smbphx.org

Adobe Mountain Desert Railroad Park



The Adobe Railroad Park is the perfect family getaway. The 7.5" gauge trains are sure to excite you as you travel down five separate routes for

the 15 minute rides. Catch glimpses of surprise "settlements" along the routes, and prepare to be awed by the authenticity of the tracks, switches, depot and switch lights. After the ride, you can

check out the display area with many railroad artifacts.

Photo: Steven Parellis/Shutterstock.com

Address: 23280 N 43rd Ave, Phoenix

Opening hours: Every Sunday from October to April,
12pm-4.30pm

Phone: +1 623 670 1904

Internet: www.adobemtndeserttrrpark.com

DINING



The Roaming Boomers/Flickr.com (image cropped)

The grand Sonoran Desert and mountains serve as the vista for most dining facilities in Phoenix, making each experience a memorable one. The choices span intimate lounges, Western-style eateries, nationally renowned luxury restaurants and much more. There is more to Phoenix dining than the traditional Southwestern cuisine!

Quiessence Restaurant & Wine Bar



Quiessence is Phoenix and fine dining at their best. The cuisine is a fresh combination of traditional and modern American fare, and the dishes are crafted at order. All ingredients are locally grown from Arizona's farms and herdsman. At weekends they offer three different tasting menus, while during the week a la carte options are available.

Photo: seksan kingwatcharapong/Shutterstock.com

Address: 6106 S 32nd St, Phoenix

Opening hours: Tuesday-Saturday: 5pm-8pm

Phone: +1 602 276 0601

Internet: www.qatthefarm.com

Rusconi's American Kitchen



At Rusconi's they serve regional American cuisine with a seasonal menu. This little gem hidden inside Desert Ridge Marketplace features

carefully prepared and presented food, outstanding service and attention to every detail. On top of that, the prices are kept reasonable.

Photo: rocharibeiro/Shutterstock.com

Address: 10637 Tatum Blvd, Phoenix

Opening hours: Tuesday-Friday: 11am-2pm/4pm-9pm,

Saturday and Monday: 4pm-9pm, Sunday:

10am-2pm/4pm-9pm

Phone: +1 480 483 0009

Internet: www.rusconiskitchen.com

Email: info@rusconiskitchen.com

Pomo Pizzeria Phoenix



If you are looking for real Italian food in an intimate setting, this is the place to go. Fresh ingredients, homemade pasta, Neapolitan pizza with

vegan and gluten-free options, typical desserts and the perfect ending to your meal: a creamy shot of limoncello.

Photo: zummolo/Shutterstock.com

Address: 705 N 1st St #120, Phoenix

Opening hours: Tuesday-Thursday and Sunday: 11am-10pm,

Friday-Saturday: 11am-12am

Phone: +1 602 795 2555

Internet: www.pomopizzeria.com/phoenix

More Info: Additional location at 8977 N Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale

Steak 44



Steak 44 aims to provide a fine dining experience to its customers. They distinguish themselves for their fresh seafood towers, juicy steaks and unique sides, like the corn crème brûlée or the fried asparagus. For a truly delightful evening, choose a wine from their award-winning selection.

Photo: vsl/Shutterstock.com

Address: 5101 N 44th St, Phoenix

Opening hours: Sunday-Thursday: 4pm-10pm,

Friday-Saturday: 4pm-11pm

Phone: +1 602 271 4400

Internet: www.steak44.com

Email: guestservices@steak44.com

Fuego Bistro



Fuego Bistro is a cozy place with a Latin-inspired menu. Sit in the wonderful patio with heaters for chilly nights and do not miss their special dish, mahi mahi with shrimp, corn bread and tortilla soup. From Tuesday to Saturday the evening livens up thanks to live music performances.

Photo: Mikhail Gnatkovskiy/Shutterstock.com

Address: 401 W Clarendon Ave, Phoenix

Opening hours: Tuesday-Saturday: 11am-9pm

Phone: +1 602 277 1151

Internet: www.fuegobistro.com

Barrio Cafe



At Barrio Cafe you'll find Mexican-inspired food and drinks. The location is adorned by local artists' works and graffiti, which makes dining a culturally enriching experience. They also host happy hours and live music events throughout the week. If you like tequila, here you can choose from almost 300 types.

Photo: Julia Sudnitskaya/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2814 N 16th Street Phoenix

Opening hours: Tuesday-Thursday: 11am-10pm,

Friday-Saturday: 11am-10.30pm, Sunday: 11am-9pm

Phone: +1 602 636 0240

Internet: www.barriocafe.com

More Info: Additional location at 1301 W Grand Ave, Phoenix

Ted's Hot Dogs



Ted's Hot Dogs is this New York chain's only location in Arizona. They serve a variety of cheap but tasty hot dogs that you can dress however you want, although trying their secret recipe hot sauce is recommended.

Photo: Yuriy Golub/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1755 E Broadway Rd, Tempe

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10am-10pm, Sunday: 10.30am-10pm

Phone: +1 480 968 6678

Internet: www.tedshotdogs.com

Red, White & Brew



In addition to its restaurant area, Red, White & Brew nods to its name with an extensive drink menu. Bottled and draft microbrews have made this a favorite spot for brew connoisseurs. Boutique wines are also featured and the staff are knowledgeable to assist with giving patrons the best experience.

Photo: wavebreakmedia/Shutterstock.com

Address: 6740 E McDowell Rd #102, Mesa

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 11am-10pm, Sunday: 12pm-10pm

Phone: +1 480 807 9393

Internet: rwbaz.com

Email: info@rwbaz.com

Durant's



As one of Phoenix's oldest restaurants, Durant's has over 60 years of pride and excellence serving the Valley of the Sun and its citizens. It has become a tradition of fine dining, with treasured steaks, marquee desserts and wines by the glass. The interior is lit with zesty tones of orange and crimson, all completed with wood accenting. Enter through the back kitchen door to experience Durant's and one of Phoenix's finest.

Photo: Apichat Khunraj/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2611 N Central Ave, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 11am-10pm, Saturday: 5pm-11pm, Sunday: 4pm-10pm

Phone: +1 602 264 5967

Internet: www.durantsaz.com

Email: durantsff@aol.com

Tutti Santi



With four Arizona locations, Tutti Santi in Phoenix retains its classic Italian neighborhood vibe. The food is exceptionally genuine

Italian cuisine, as the restaurant's owner originates from San Remo, Italy. Reservations may be made online, and please dress business casual.

Photo: Marian Weyo&Shutterstock.com

Address: 7575 N 16th St, Phoenix

Opening hours: Sunday-Thursday: 5pm-10pm, Friday-Saturday: 5pm-11pm.

Phone: +1 602 216 0336

Internet: www.tuttisantisristorante.com

More Info: Additional location at 6339 E Greenway Rd, Scottsdale

Sakana Sushi & Grill



Sakana Sushi & Grill offers Arizona four locations of traditional Japanese cuisine. Sakana awaits you with different menus for lunch and

dinner, with sushi and teppanyaki always available. Ask about their Happy Roll promotion and you'll get plenty of delicious sushi at a very low price.

Photo: BARRI/Shutterstock.com

Address: 5061 E Elliot Road, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Thursday: 11am-2pm/5.30pm-9pm, Friday: 11am-10pm, Saturday: 12pm-10pm, Sunday: 12pm-9pm

Phone: +1 480 598 0506

Internet: www.sakanasushiandgrill.com

Email: azsakanasushi@gmail.com

More Info: Additional locations in Scottsdale, Glendale and Mesa

Tarbell's



Tarbell's, named after its acclaimed chef Mark Tarbell, is Phoenix's home for award-winning American cuisine. Dine at tables with exquisite

white tablecloths, complementing the wood decor and maple bar. The wine list isn't less prestigious. They have a menu of seasonal dishes as well as a fixed choice of favorites like spaghetti with meatballs and salmon filet.

Photo: NatashaPhoto/Shutterstock.com

Address: 3213 E Camelback Road, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 5pm-10pm, Sunday: 5pm-9pm

Phone: +1 602 955 8100

Internet: www.tarbells.com

Email: eat@tarbells.com

Elements



A stunning desert vista accompanies every meal at Elements, the upscale restaurant at Scottsdale's Camelback Mountain Resort & Spa. The cuisine

is an American-Asian fusion composed of always farm-fresh ingredients. Vegetarian and gluten-free dishes are also available. Reservations are strongly recommended.

Photo: Phant/Shutterstock.com

Address: 5700 East McDonald Drive, Scottsdale, AZ

Phone: +1 480 607 2300

Internet: www.sanctuaryoncamelback.com/dining/elements

Email: info@sanctuaryaz.com

The Melting Pot



With various locations in the U.S. and abroad, The Melting Pot is the premier fondue restaurant in the Phoenix metropolitan area. The

four-course meal is perfect for lasting conversations and easy comfort with a table side cheese fondue. Salads, vegetables, meats and seafood are all served with a variety of dipping sauces, and dessert is accompanied by the delectable chocolate fondue.

Photo: beats1/Shutterstock.com

Address: 3626 E Ray Rd, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Thursday: 4pm-10pm, Friday: 4pm-11pm, Saturday: 3pm-11pm, Sunday: 3pm-11pm

Phone: +1 480 704 9206

Internet: www.meltingpot.com

More Info: Additional locations in Scottsdale and Arrowhead

Handlebar J BBQ Restaurant & Bar



Standing proud as Scottsdale's last authentic Western saloon, Handlebar-J has drawn citizens and visitors since 1966. With good reason,

Handlebar-J has remained as a town favorite, serving their famous pork ribs along with juicy steaks and tasty appetizers.

Photo: Victor Moussa/Shutterstock.com

Address: 7116 E Becker L, Scottsdale

Opening hours: Tuesday-Thursday and Sunday: 4pm-12am, Friday-Saturday: 4pm-2am

Phone: +1 480 948 0110

Internet: www.handlebarj.com

The Original Burrito Company



The Original Burrito Company presents a combination of Traditional and New Mexican. Of course, their signature dish is the

burrito, which you can also style according to your tastes. It is a Phoenix favorite for breakfast burritos.

Photo: ESstock/Shutterstock.com

Address: 4949 E Elliot Rd, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 6.30am-8pm, Saturday: 7am-8pm, Sunday: 7am-2pm

Phone: +1 480 893 3857

Internet: www.burritocompany.com

Email: info@burritocompany.com

Roka Akor



Born after the original location in London, Roka Akor's Scottsdale location is equally classy and sophisticated. The cuisine is contemporary

Robatayaki Japanese and you can see the grill cooking from your table.

Photo: KPG_Payless/Shutterstock.com

Address: 7299 N Scottsdale Rd, Scottsdale

Opening hours: Sunday-Thursday: 4.30pm-10pm,

Friday-Saturday: 4.30pm-11pm

Phone: +1 480 306 8800

Internet: www.rokaakor.com

Claim Jumper Restaurant



With four locations in Arizona, Claim Jumper at Phoenix serves the Traditional American cuisine of its sister restaurants. Their menu

will please everyone, ranging from fish and meat,

to sandwiches and salads, with vegetarian and gluten-free options. Every week they arrange happy hours and Sunday brunches.

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Address: 3063 W Aqua Fria Fwy, Phoenix

Opening hours: Sunday-Thursday: 11am-10pm,

Friday-Saturday: 11am-11pm

Phone: +1 623 581 8595

Internet: www.claimjumper.com

More Info: Additional location at 1530 W Baseline Rd, Tempe

Feeney's Restaurant & Bar



Since 1965 Feeney's has been serving Phoenix quality food and fond memories, and so much so that it was voted "Best Bar" in 2008. The menu

incorporates typical pub food and tap beer and wine. Remember to ask for their weekly specials.

Photo: Konstantin Balezin/Shutterstock.com

Address: 6314 N 12th Street, Phoenix

Opening hours: Wednesday-Friday and Monday: 11am-10pm,

Tuesday: 11am-9pm, Saturday: 4pm-10pm, Sunday:

10am-9pm

Phone: +1 602 274 9700

Internet: www.feeneysaz.squarespace.com

Email: feeneysrestbar@gmail.com

Alexi's Grill



Mirroring the business district in which it resides, Alexi's Grill is known for its specialty lunches and tables that foster intimate

conversation. Their specialties include the Alaskan Halibut (flown in daily), veal chop and rack of lamb. The lounge or patio are the perfect venue for happy hour during the week, with huge plates of appetizers and special cocktails like the Chocolate Martini.

Photo: Yurii_Yarema/Shutterstock.com

Address: 3550 N Central Ave #120, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Thursday: 11am-9pm, Friday:
11am-10pm, Saturday: 5pm-10pm

Phone: +1 602 279 0982

Internet: www.alexisgrillphx.com

CAFES



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With a wealth of sunshine and activities, Phoenix also offers a respectable selection of cafes.

Breakfast, lunch and dinner come standard, so take a break from the Valley of the Sun to bask in the aroma of coffee and ambiance of relaxation.

Marston's Café



A breakfast favorite of Phoenix citizens, Marston's is located in the Renaissance Phoenix Downtown hotel. Their menu includes American

signature items like pancakes, eggs Benedict, oatmeal and bacon.

Photo: Brent Hofacker/Shutterstock.com

Address: 100 N 1st St, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 6.30am-10am

Phone: +1 602 333 0000

Internet: www.marriott.com/hotel-restaurants/phxbd-renaisance-phoenix-downtown-hotel/marstons-cafe/5298335/home-page.mi

Lux Central



At Lux Central they take pride in roasting their own coffee, imported from Ethiopia, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Panama, Sumatra and Brazil.

Another point of pride is their ample selection of cakes, cupcakes, cookies and pastries. The lunch and dinner menu changes everyday, so the only way to discover what they have in store is to show up.

Photo: Iryna Inshyna/Shutterstock.com

Address: 4402 N Central Ave, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 6am-12am

Phone: +1 602 327 1396

Internet: www.luxcoffee.com

Matt's Big Breakfast



At Matt's Big Breakfast they like to focus on the quality of their ingredients, using only real butter, extra virgin olive oil and cage-free

eggs. They mainly serve popular breakfast items and sandwiches that come with a pickle and kettle chips. In 2018, Matt's was voted as "Best Breakfast" place in the Phoenix New Times.

Photo: Joshua Resnick/Shutterstock.com

Address: 825 N 1st St, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 6.30am-2.30pm

Phone: +1 602 254 1074

Internet: www.mattsbigbreakfast.com

More Info: Additional locations are scattered around town

Crêpe Bar



Crêpe Bar's menu will surely appeal to crêpe lovers, but also to those looking forward to trying new culinary combinations. They fill

their signature dish with both salty and sweet ingredients, offering interesting toppings like espresso maple, hummus, Arizona honey and candied pistachio.

Photo: JGA/Shutterstock.com

Address: 7520 S Rural Rd, Tempe

Opening hours: Tuesday-Saturday: 7am-2pm, Sunday: 9am-2pm

Phone: +1 480 247 8012

Internet: www.crepe-bar.com

Regroup Coffee + Bicycles



Regroup Coffee + Bicycles is the favorite place of cyclists who love coffee. They sell, repair and rent bikes, all while serving specialty coffee.

You can have your bike fixed while you drink a cup of espresso, or just take one for the ride.

Photo: g-stockstudio/Shutterstock.com

Address: 4227 N Brown Ave, Scottsdale

Opening hours: Tuesday-Friday: 7am-6pm, Saturday: 7am-4pm, Sunday: 8am-12am

Phone: +1 480 648 8309

Internet: www.regrouppwithus.com

Email: info@regrouppwithus.com

Press Coffee



Carefully selected, fair trade beans are roasted every day at Press Coffee to make the perfect cup of coffee. You can book tours of their Roastery to

discover how much work goes into crafting your favorite drink.

Photo: Patrick T. Power/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1616 N Central Ave #102, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 6.30-7pm, Sunday: 7am-5pm

Phone: +1 480 718 976

Internet: www.presscoffee.com

More Info: Additional locations in Scottsdale, Tempe and at Biltmore Center

SoZo Coffeehouse



At SoZo's Coffeehouse, the proceeds of each cup of coffee are donated to both local and international organizations aiming to

make our world a better place. Coupled with tasting their premium coffee, becoming part of charity makes SoZo's a lasting experience. On Friday and Saturday night you can even enjoy some live music played by local artists.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1982 N Alma School Rd, Chandler

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 7am-10pm

Phone: +1 480 726 7696

Internet: www.sozocoffee.org

Coffee Rush



With beautiful indoor and outdoor seats on the lake, Coffee Rush offers specialty coffees, classic favorites and non-coffee beverages. Try their

unique coffee blend in a variety of ways: iced, hot, vanilla-flavored, with caramel, chocolate and more. If you like it, you can buy a one-pound bag of their beans and get a free drink. Among their tasty caffeine-free options, you'll find their special Chai Tea, Italian Soda and Strawberry Chiller.

Photo: Kitsakom/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1949 W Ray Road, #40, Chandler

Opening hours: Daily: 5am-11pm

Phone: +1 480 855 9815

Internet: www.coffeerrush.com

Email: info@coffeerrushcafe.com

More Info: Additional locations in Gilbert

Tryst Cafe



Tryst Cafe is the place to go for all your organic cravings. Natural cuisine is their specialty, along with their gluten-free menu and vegan options.

Every week they organize happy hours or other special events with promotions.

Photo: Ekaterina Kondratova/Shutterstock.com

Address: 21050 N Tatum Blvd #108, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 7am-9pm, Sunday: 7am-8pm

Phone: +1 480 585 7978

Internet: www.trystcafe.com

Email: info@trystcafe.com

More Info: Additional location at 4205 S Gilbert Rd, Chandler

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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With sunrises that challenge a good Tequila Sunrise, Phoenix has a lot of options on the horizon when it comes to enjoying the nightlife. A Western feel is generated in many of the venues, whether it be genuine saloons or trendy nightclubs. Many great bars and clubs are located in the scenic Scottsdale neighborhood.

Bitter & Twisted Cocktail Parlour



The Bitter & Twisted is a busy bar in downtown Phoenix. The cocktails menu contains a ton of fun mixed and signature drinks with detailed explanations. The cocktails are prepared with premium ingredients by expert bartenders.

Photo: santypan/Shutterstock.com

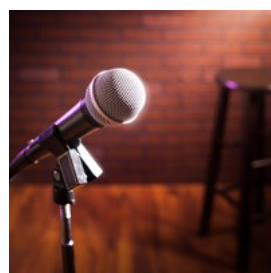
Address: 1 W Jefferson St, Phoenix

Opening hours: Tuesday-Saturday: 4pm-2am

Phone: +1 602 340 1924

Internet: www.bitterandtwistedaz.com

Stand Up Live



Stand Up Live is a small quaint comedy club with an excellent line of sight throughout the room and a highly professional sound system. Here your

meal will be accompanied by laughter and fun.

Photo: Fer Gregory/Shutterstock.com

Address: 50 W Jefferson St #200, Phoenix

Opening hours: Thursday-Saturday: 9.30am-11pm, Sunday:
12pm-10pm

Phone: +1 480 719 6100

Internet: www.standuplive.com

Email: info@standuplive.com

Barrio Cafe



At Barrio Cafe you'll find Mexican-inspired food and drinks. The location is adorned by local artists' works and graffiti, which makes dining a culturally enriching experience. They also host happy hours and live music events throughout the week. If you like tequila, here you can choose from almost 300 types.

Photo: Julia Sudnitskaya/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2814 N 16th St #1205, Phoenix

Opening hours: Tuesday-Thursday: 11am-10pm,
Friday-Saturday: 11am-10.30pm, Sunday: 11am-9pm

Phone: +1 602 636 0240

Internet: www.barriocafe.com

More Info: Additional location at 1301 W Grand Ave, Phoenix

Cobra Arcade Bar



At Cobra Arcade Bar you'll find a rotating draft beer menu, specialty cocktails and countless opportunities to have fun. They have pinball and vintage arcade games to play and they often invite DJs that help fill the bar with great vibes.

Photo: Atmosphere1/Shutterstock.com

Address: 801 N 2nd St #100, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 4pm-2am

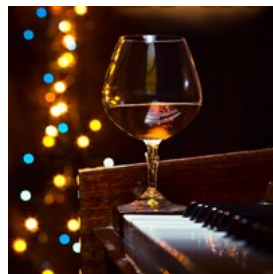
Phone: +1 602 595 5873

Internet: www.cobraarcadebar.com

Email: phoenix@cobraarcadebar.com

More Info: 21+ bar

Low Key Piano Bar



For an evening a little bit different than the usual, Low Key Piano bar is a place where you can relax and sip your drink while listening to live

music played by talented musicians. The pianists do accept requests, but remember to tip them if they do so.

Photo: Igor Normann/Shutterstock.com

Address: 501 S Mill Ave Suite B101, Tempe

Opening hours: Tuesday-Thursday: 8pm-2am, Friday:
7pm-2am, Saturday: 7pm-12am

Phone: +1 480 355 1705

Internet: www.lowkeypianobar.com

Red, White & Brew



In addition to its restaurant area, Red, White & Brew nods to its name with an extensive drink menu. Bottled and draft microbrews have

made this a favorite spot for brew connoisseurs. Boutique wines are also featured and the staff are knowledgeable to assist with giving patrons the best experience.

Photo: wavebreakmedia/Shutterstock.com

Address: 6740 E McDowell Rd #102, Mesa

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 11am-10pm, Sunday:
12pm-10pm

Phone: +1 480 807 9393

Internet: www.rwbaz.com

Email: info@rwbaz.com

Rose McCaffery's Irish Pub & Restaurant



The genuine Emerald Isle experience can be found also in Phoenix. Rose McCaffery's is a pub for authentic Gaelic fare and drink. All of the Celtic Football Club games are shown live in the pub.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com

Address: 906 E Camelback Rd, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 11am-2am

Phone: +1 602 241 1916

Internet: www.rosiemccaffreys.com

The Rhythm Room



As Phoenix's roots, blues and concert club, The Rhythm Room hosts national and local musicians every night. The club opens one hour

before shows, so call or visit the website to see what's happening tonight.

Photo: Ryan Polei(image cropped)

Address: 1019 E Indian School Rd, Phoenix

Phone: +1 602 265 4842

Internet: www.rhythmroom.com

Email: rhythm@rhythmroom.com

Handlebar J BBQ Restaurant & Bar



Standing proud as Scottsdale's last authentic Western saloon, Handlebar-J has drawn citizens and visitors since 1966. With good reason,

Handlebar-J has remained as a town favorite, serving their famous pork ribs along with juicy steaks and tasty appetizers.

Photo: Victor Moussa/Shutterstock.com

Address: 7116 E Becker L, Scottsdale

Opening hours: Tuesday-Thursday and Sunday: 4pm-12am,
Friday-Saturday: 4pm-2am

Phone: +1 480 948 0110

Internet: www.handlebarj.com

Roman's Oasis



Voted one of Maxim Magazine's "Top 40 Neighborhood Bars," Roman's Oasis Neighborhood Bar & Restaurant has been a staple of nightlife for over 23 years. Live country music, karaoke, Texas Hold-Em tournaments, Shuffleboard tournaments and even country dance lessons all await guests at Roman's.

Photo: Lorraine Swanson/Shutterstock.com

Address: 16825 W Yuma Rd, Goodyear

Opening hours: Daily: 11am-2am

Phone: +1 623 932 0922

More Info: Cash only

O'Connor's Pub



O'Connor's is a Phoenix favorite for authentic Irish beer, music and decor. Drink specials are featured every day of the week, 365 days a year.

Photo: Nejron Photo/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2601 W Dunlap Ave, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 10am-2am

Phone: +1 602 997 7714

Internet: www.oconnorspub.com

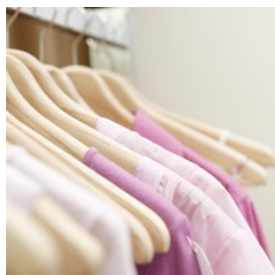
SHOPPING



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There are plenty of options for the voracious shopper in Phoenix. But with the somewhat overwhelming selection, it helps to have a general idea of the best areas. The following includes Phoenix's best locations for all your shopping needs.

Charming Charlie Phoenix



At Charming Charlie everything is impeccably arranged by colour. That not only makes it very easy to find things in a specific colour in this

fashion accessories boutique, but is at the same time also very pleasant to the eye.

Photo: MJTH/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2000 E Rio Salado Pkwy #1024, Tempe

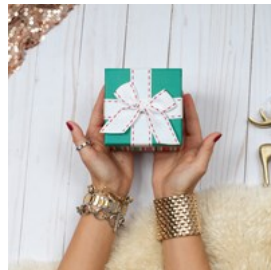
Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10am-9pm, Sunday: 11am-6pm

Phone: +1 480 966 3050

Internet: www.stores.charmingcharlie.com/az/phoenix/fashion-accessories-phoenix-az-79

More Info: Additional locations are scattered around the city

Frances



Unique gifts and special items can be obtained at Frances. In the eclectic array of apparel, jewelry and accessories, vintage-style decor, paper goods and novelty items you will definitely see those hard-to-find souvenirs.

Photo: Dmytro Flisak/Shutterstock.com

Address: 10 W Camelback Rd, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10am-6pm, Sunday: 12am-5pm

Phone: +1 602 279 5467

Internet: www.shopfrancesboutique.com

Bunky Boutique



Bunky Boutique is an independent local shop with a unique and carefully selected array of apparel, accessories and artisan made jewelry.

There are also sections dedicated to children and home products. Everything here is 100% Phoenix style.

Photo: PR Image Factory/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1437 N 1st St 103, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10am-6pm, Sunday: 10am-5pm

Phone: +1 602 252 1323

Internet: www.bunkyboutique.com

Email: info@bunkyboutique.com

Thieves Market



The Thieves Market is an outdoor flea market. If you're in Phoenix during Thieves Market, you can find great deals on antiques, vintage, art, retro, mid-century modern, and one-of-a-kind

merchandise. If the hunger kicks in, don't worry: there are always food trucks in the area.

Photo: Daniel M Ernst/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1500 N McClintock Dr, Tempe

Opening hours: First Saturday of the month from October to April except for January, 8am-3pm

Phone: +1 480 329 6118

Internet: www.thievesmarketvintageflea.com

Email: info@thievesmarketvintageflea.com

More Info: In the parking lot of Big Surf Water Park

Outlets at Anthem



Anthem is a pedestrian, open-air and pet-friendly shopping area with many fashionable brands. There are around 60 designer shops, curbside

unloading, electric car charging stations, free Wi-Fi, a children's play area, plenty of food services and more.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com

Address: 4250 W Anthem Way, Phoenix

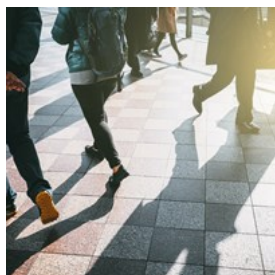
Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10am-8pm, Sunday: 10am-7pm

Phone: +1 602 465 9500

Internet: www.outletsanthem.com

Email: info@outletsanthem.com

Desert Ridge Marketplace



The Desert Ridge Marketplace is far more than just a shopping venue. With its multitude of entertainment amenities, Desert Ridge

is perfect for an entire day of satisfying all your senses. Watch a movie at the AMC cinema, eat and be merry at Dave & Buster's, curl up with a book at Barnes & Noble, embrace your creative side with pottery painting at As You Wish, or accompany your little ones at the Play Factory.

The store directory is built to impress as well, with names like American Eagle, DSW, Old Navy and more.

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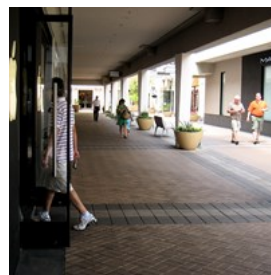
Address: 21001 N Tatum Blvd, Phoenix

Opening hours: Daily: 11am-9pm

Phone: +1 480 513 7586

Internet: www.shopdesertridge.com

Biltmore Fashion Park



Biltmore truly is a fashion park. Pristine lawns and flower-embellished walkways lead to stores such as Escada, Ralph Lauren, Saks and more.

Phoenix's original destination for luxury shopping also provides guests with fine dining in restaurants the likes of True Food Kitchen and The Capital Grille.

Photo: Alan Levine/Flickr.com(image cropped)

Address: 2502 E Camelback Rd, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10am-8pm, Sunday: 12am-6pm

Phone: +1 602 955 8400

Internet: www.shopbiltmore.com

CityScape



Marking the beginning of Phoenix's vibrant downtown, CityScape is its own microcosm of shops, museums, theaters, stadiums,

offices and even Arizona State University's newest campus. Retail shops and spas are abundant, along with tasty hotspots for food and drink.

Photo: BABAROGA/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1 E Washington Street, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 8am-5pm

Phone: +1 602 772 3900

Internet: www.cityscapephoenix.com

Scottsdale Fashion Square



Scottsdale is synonymous with Uptown style and posh amenities for the fashion-forward shopper. There are over 250 shops, including but

notwithstanding Jimmy Choo, Hugo Boss, Juicy Couture, Nordstrom and Neiman Marcus. The amenities span fine dining options as well with street food, cafes and restaurants.

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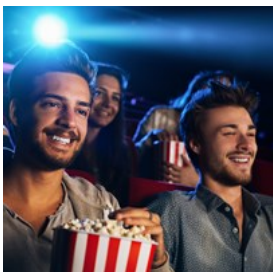
Address: 7014 East Camelback, Scottsdale

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10am-9pm, Sunday: 11am-6pm

Phone: +1 480 945 5495

Internet: www.fashionsquare.com

The Shops at Norterra



Norterra is a 350,000-square-foot entertainment and lifestyle center for the modern shopper. It is North Phoenix's perfect destination for outdoor shopping, dining or just enjoying an afternoon movie at Harkins Norterra 14.

Photo: Stock-Asso/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2460 W Happy Valley Rd, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Thursday: 10am-8pm, Friday-Saturday: 10am-9pm, Sunday: 11am-6pm

Phone: +1 623 582 9599

Internet: www.norterrashopping.com

Kierland Commons



Chic bars, urban styled stores, topnotch restaurants and the overall thriving spirit of Phoenix are the marquee trademarks of the

Kierland Commons lifestyle center.

Photo: Cygnusloop99/commons.wikimedia.org(image cropped)

Address: 15205 N Kierland Blvd Suite 150, Phoenix

Phone: +1 480 348 1577

Internet: www.kierlandcommons.com

Email: kierlandcommons@macerich.com

Paradise Valley Mall



Paradise Valley Mall is indeed a paradise for easy shopping and days of relaxing fun. Specialty stores featuring Bohemian Chic, Express,

Macy's, New York & Company and more can be found here. There are plenty of restaurant options and play areas for children.

Photo: Anna Kraynova/Shutterstock.com

Address: 4568 E Cactus Rd, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10am-9pm, Sunday: 11am-6pm

Phone: +1 602 996 8840

Internet: www.theparadisevalleymall.com

Arizona Center



Considered a "Point of Pride" by Phoenix citizens, the Arizona Center in downtown has a garden grotto, courtyard stores and galleries. Also

located here are the US Airways Center and Chase field, where the Phoenix Suns and Arizona Diamondbacks respectively play. Check the

Arizona Center's website to learn about their upcoming events like the Farmer's Market.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com

Address: 455 N 3rd St, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10am-9pm, Sunday: 11am-5pm

Phone: +1 602 271 4000

Internet: www.arizonacenter.com

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport



The main airport serving the Phoenix area is a hub for US Airways. All major U.S. airlines, plus Air Canada, British Airways, WestJet and Aeromexico

also operate out of PSHIA. Nonstop service is available to roughly 80 domestic and 20 international destinations. The airport is 3 miles (4.8 km) from the central business district with the Valley Metro bus route 13 serving all terminals. Taxi access is through terminals 2, 3 and 4. SuperShuttle provides collective transportation. The Rental Car Center is located in its own building at 1805 East Sky Harbor Circle South.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: 3400 E Sky Harbor Blvd, Phoenix

Phone: +1 602 273 3300

Internet: www.skyharbor.com

Passport / Visa



Citizens of the Schengen countries, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Japan, South Korea,

Taiwan and the Kingdom of Brunei can visit the United States for up to 90 days without applying for a visa (as well as citizens of Andorra, Lichtenstein, Monaco and San Marino). Citizens of these countries must obtain an ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) before traveling. All other travelers must obtain a visa before visiting the United States.

International travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the country.

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Best Time to Visit



The best time to visit Phoenix is probably from November to May, when the temperatures are more comfortable than in other parts of the

country. Remember that winter is also the peak season for tourists, so you might want to book in advance in order to find lower prices. If you feel like you can bear the hot, dry Phoenix summer, you'll be able to find nice deals for your stay.

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Time Zone



Phoenix is located in the Mountain time zone and all times are reflected in Mountain time.

Photo: Marek Polakovic

Public Transport



Valley Metro provides service through trains, buses, and a ride-share program in Phoenix.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 5am-10pm, Saturday: 6am-8pm, Sunday: 8am-5pm (Customer Service)

Phone: +1 602 253 5000

Internet: www.valleymetro.org

Email: csr@valleymetro.org

Taxi



The following taxi services are available for the Phoenix area: Yellow Cab +1 480 888 8888
Sunrise Transportation Cab Services +1 602 800

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Ayele Cab +1 602 253 0226

Photo: ArrivalGuides

Post



There are several branches of the US Post Office.

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: 4949 E Van Buren St Rm 187, Phoenix

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 8am-9.30pm, Saturday: 10am-5pm

Phone: +1 800 275 8777

Pharmacy



Abundant locations of Walgreen's, CVS, Wal-Mart, Target and various independent chain store retailers. CVS Pharmacy Address: 4040

N 19th Ave, Phoenix

Phone: +1 602-265-3167

Open 24/7

Walgreen's Pharmacy

Address: 7000 N 16th St #100, Phoenix

Phone: +1 602-943-3192

Open 24/7

Photo: Gemma Garner

Telephone



Country Code: +1 Area Codes in Phoenix: 602, 480, 623, 520

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity

110V



Photo: Stirling Tschan

Population

1.626 million

Currency

U.S. Dollars \$1 = 100 cents

Opening hours

Most stores are open seven days a week 10am to 8pm, or later. Bars and clubs tend to close around 2am.

Newspapers

The Arizona Republic
East Valley Tribune
The Jewish News of Greater Phoenix
Phoenix New Times
The State Press
College Times
The Bachelor's Beat

Emergency numbers

911

Tourist information

Greater Phoenix Convention & Visitors Bureau
400 E. Van Buren Street, Suite 600
+1 602 254 6500