

# Welcome to Tucson! We hope you enjoy your visit!

Below is a listing of some of the best things to in Tucson's sunshine!

1. Desert Museum – its like a zoo, only better! Often called the best attraction in Tucson.  
<https://www.desertmuseum.org/>
2. Old Tucson Studios – like western movies? A lot were filmed right here in Tucson.  
<http://oldtucson.com/>
3. Pima Air and Space Museum - perfect for anyone that loves planes! <http://www.pimaair.org/>
4. Mission San Xavier del Bac – is a very pretty mission. <http://www.sanxaviermission.org/>
5. Titan Missile Museum - prefect for history buffs! <http://www.titanmissilemuseum.org/>
6. Drive to Mount Lemmon – you might even see snow! <http://visitmountlemmon.com/>
7. Tucson Museum of Art – check out works of art from around the world!  
<https://tucsonmuseumofart.org/>
8. Mini Time Machine Museum of Miniatures – see amazing detail in very little things  
<https://theminitimemachine.org/>
9. Tucson Botanical Gardens – always has interesting specimens <https://tucsonbotanical.org/>
10. Check out a Gem Show <http://www.tucsongemshows.net/coming.html> has the entire listing of shows, dates and a map.
  - a. Tucson Gem and Mineral Show at the Convention Center is the one that started it all.
  - b. Kino Show has a little bit of everything. It's a great beginner show!
  - c. If you like fossils, check out the Arizona Mineral & Fossil Show aka Fossil & Mineral Alley
  - d. If you want to walk a LOT go to the 22<sup>nd</sup> Street show and when you are done, walk under the freeway and keep exploring the other shows.
  - e. If you like beads, Casino Del Sol has TWO bead shows that end on Feb 9<sup>th</sup> so come on down early!

**If you have extended your stay, drive a little farther and check these out!**

1. Kartchner Caverns – a living cave with several different amazing tours  
<https://azstateparks.com/kartchner/>
2. Tombstone “The Town Too Tough to Die” <https://tombstoneweb.com/>
3. Sonoita Wineries – Tucson's terrain has been compared to that of Italy so we have some great wines!  
<http://www.sonoitaelginchamber.org/winetasting.html>
4. Biosphere – great tour for science buffs. <http://biosphere2.org/>
5. Kitt Peak National Observatory- has day and night programs <https://www.noao.edu/kpvc/>

**Some of the best places to eat include:**

- Best Mexican:
  - RESERVATION REQUIRED: El Charro – They are always busy! <https://www.elcharrocafe.com/>
  - NO RESERVATION REQUIRED: Mi Nidito: President Clinton ate lunch here! 20 – 25 min wait.  
<http://www.minidito.net/>
- Best Brewery: Thunder Canyon <https://www.facebook.com/ThunderCanyonBrewery/>

- Best Sport Bar: Trident Grill <http://tridentgrill.com/>
- Best Sonoran Dog: El Guero Canelo <http://elguerocanelo.com>
- Best Steakhouse : Silver Saddle – reservations suggested <http://thesilversaddlesteakhouse.com/>
- Best Gluten Free: Gourmet Girls <http://www.gourmetgirlsglutenfree.com/>

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