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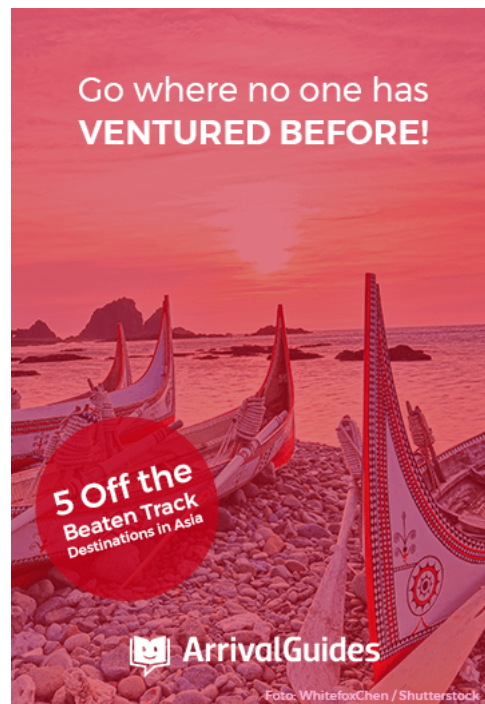
Visitors come to Tucson to take in the natural sunlit landscape of the Sonoran desert and the mountains that surround the city. They also endeavor to experience the cultural diversity of a city that boasts of Native American, Latin and European influences. Because of its unique geography, Tucson is a diverse outdoor playground, offering a serene landscape with a wide range of terrain for hikers of all skill levels, rock climbing, cycling, and more. Explore the underground tunnels of Colossal Cave Mountain Park and Kartchner Caverns State Park or the unique and varied plant and animal life that exists in the ecosystems in and around Tucson. The city also has a very artistic side, which is



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THE CITY



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Tucson is the county seat of Pima County and comprises roughly half of the county's population, which is extremely diverse as a result of its American Indian, Spanish, European and Mexican heritage. Like many areas of the American Southwest, the territory that includes Tucson changed hands between the countries of Mexico and the United States until officially becoming part of the United States as part of the Gadsden Purchase in 1853.

The natural geography of Tucson and its surrounding areas is as diverse as its cultural heritage. It includes five minor mountain ranges, the Sonoran desert, the Coronado National Forest, and the Santa Cruz River, which still flows during the rainy season but is dry the rest of the year.

The city itself is home to five regions, each possessing unique notoriety. The Downtown and Central Tucson areas are full of historic neighborhoods and buildings, such as the Hotel Congress and the Fox Theater. This is also the home of the University of Arizona. Southern Tucson has a strong Mexican-American influence, Western Tucson is recognized for its natural attributes, and Northern and Eastern Tucson are rapidly developing areas with plenty of upscale shopping and dining.

DO & SEE



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Whether you love the great outdoors or thrive in an urban setting, the Tucson area abounds with activities. Hikers and cyclists will feel right at home in the mountains or on the city's urban pathways. The more adventurous outdoors-man might enjoy doing a little bit of rock climbing.

Science nuts might want to check out one of the area's many observatories or Arizona University's ecological engineering marvel, the Biosphere 2. "Old Pueblo" is also home to several museums, galleries, and festivals that allow visitors to get a feel for Tucson's culture and history.

Pima Air & Space Museum



Explore the past 100 years of flight, including aircraft and spacecraft, as showcased across this 80-acre museum. There are more than 300

aircrafts and spacecrafts on display along with exhibits chronicling important milestones in air and space history.

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Address: 6000 East Valencia Road, Tucson

Opening hours: Daily: 9am-5pm

Phone: +1 520 574 0462

Internet: www.pimaair.org

Colossal Cave Mountain Park



While Colossal Cave is this park's centerpiece, it is certainly not its only attraction. It is also home to museums, abundant wildlife, and event space.

Photo: Bill Morrow (image cropped)

Address: 16721 East Old Spanish Trail, Vail

Opening hours: Daily: March 16-September 15: 8am-5pm,

Daily: September 16-March 15: 9am-5pm

Phone: +1 520 647 7275

Internet: www.colossalcave.com

Sabino Canyon



Whether you are a beginner looking for accessible trails or looking for more challenging trails with backcountry access,

Sabino Canyon offers something for every level.

The scenery is picturesque and peaceful and boasts well-marked trails.

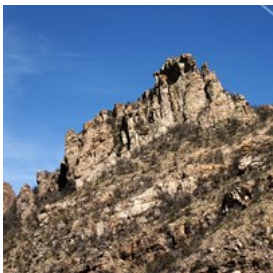
Photo: Nelson Sirlin/Shutterstock.com

Address: 5700 N. Sabino Canyon Road, Sabino Canyon, Catalina Foothills

Phone: +1 520 749 2861

Internet: www.sabinocanyon.com

Mt. Lemmon Scenic Byway



In a short stretch of 27 miles, you can explore one of the most wide-ranging natural diversities of the whole country. Start from the

biological equivalent of the Mexican deserts and end in the forests of Canada. Along the highway there are plenty of pull-offs, trailheads, hikes and scenic overlooks.

Photo: Kenneth Sponsler/Shutterstock.com

Address: MT Lemmon Highway, Tucson

Internet: www.go-arizona.com/Mt-Lemmon-Scenic-Byway

More Info: About 15 miles northeast of Tucson in the Catalina Mountains (Catalina Highway becomes Hitchcock Highway and MT Lemmon Highway)

Gaslight Theatre



Gaslight Theatre has the perfect combination of humor, music, live theatre and pub food. That combinations makes it a popular venue for

tourists and locals.

Photo: Mega Pixel/Shutterstock.com

Address: 7010 E Broadway Blvd, Tucson

Opening hours: Sunday 12:00pm - 9:00pm Monday -

Thursday 10:00am - 9:00pm Friday - Saturday 10:00am - 10:00pm

Phone: +1 520 886 9428

Internet: www.thegaslighttheatre.com

Franklin Museum



Tucson hosts the largest collection of Franklin Cars in the whole US. Delve into the amazing history of the restored vintage cars from the

golden age of the automobile. Not only for car-lovers this museum is a must.

Photo: dedhed1950 (image cropped)

Address: 1405 East Kleindale Road Tucson

Opening hours: Wednesday-Saturday 10Aam - 4pm

Phone: +1 520 326 8038

Internet: www.franklinmuseum.org

Catalina State Park



If you are looking for wild scenery not far from downtown with endless opportunities of biking, hiking, and outdoor activities, Catalina State

Park is the place to go. The trails are easy to follow and the scenery with the crystal clear stream is magnificent.

Photo: Anton Foltin/Shutterstock.com

Address: 11570 N Oracle Rd, Tucson

Phone: +1 520 628 5798

Internet: azstateparks.com

Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum



More than just a zoo, visitors to the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum will have the opportunity to take in the natural landscape of the

Sonoran desert, including the animals and plants that call it home. There are two miles of walking paths that traverse this 21-acre conglomerate of 230 species of animals and 1,200 types of plants.

Photo: Florence-Joseph McGinn/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2021 North Kinney Road, Tucson, AZ 85743

Opening hours: October-February Daily: 8:30am-5pm;

March-September Daily: 7:30am-5pm; June-August

Sunday-Friday: 7:30am-5pm and Saturday:7:30am-10pm

Phone: +1 520 883 2702

Internet: www.desertmuseum.org

Email: info@desertmuseum.org

Biosphere 2



Take a tour of this "mini-world" that researchers at the University of Arizona use to explore the future of the planet. Experience

the world's ecosystems, from the salty ocean to the rainforest replicated under Biosphere 2's roof.

Photo: Bruno Sanchez-Andrade Nuño (image cropped)

Address: 32540 S. Biosphere Road, Oracle

Opening hours: Daily: 9:30am-4pm

Phone: +1 520 838 6200

Internet: www.b2science.org

Email: BIO2-INFO@EMAIL.ARIZONA.EDU

Fred Lawrence Whipple Observatory



Reservations are required for guided tours, but you can stop by the visitors center daily to explore educational exhibits, including some

chronicling research projects conducted at the Arizona observatory. The FLWO is conducted under the auspices of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics.

Photo: Wars (image cropped)

Address: 670 Mount Hopkins Road, Amado

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 8:30am-4:30pm (visitors center)

Phone: +1 520 879 4407

Internet: www.cfa.harvard.edu/facilities/flwo

More Info: Located 35 miles south of Tucson at the base of Mt. Hopkins

Reid Park Zoo



Meet animals from all over the world and participate in special zoo-themed events at the Reid Park Zoo. Over 600,000 visitors come to Reid Park Zoo each year to see the hundreds of animals housed on its 24-acre campus.

Photo: Max Wolfe (image cropped)

Address: 3400 Zoo Court, Tucson

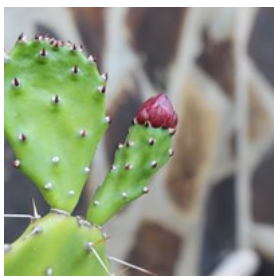
Opening hours: September-May Daily: 9am-4pm, June-August Daily: 8am-3pm.

Phone: +1 520 791 3204

Internet: www.reidparkzoo.org

More Info: free parking

Garden of Gethsemane



The Garden of Gethsemane is a beautiful garden containing religious sculptures created by artist Felix Lucero after World War I.

Lucero himself fought in France during the war and dedicated his life to sculpting statues of Jesus Christ because his life was spared in battle.

Photo: Lippert Photography/Shutterstock.com

Address: 602 West Congress Street, Tucson

Phone: +1 520 791 4873

ASARCO Mineral Discovery Center

Learn about the copper industry at the ASARCO Mineral Discovery Center through numerous exhibits, the Discovery Theater and the gift shop. Tours of the Mission Mine are also given on Saturdays.

Address: 1421 West Pima Mine Road, Sahuarita, AZ 85629

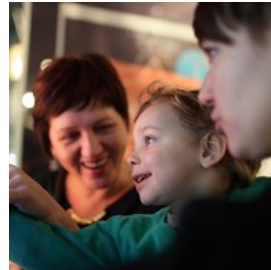
Opening hours: Tuesday-Friday: 9am-3pm (Discovery Center); Saturday: 9:30am, 11am, 12:30pm, 2pm and 3:30pm (Mine Tours)

Phone: +1 520 625 8233

Internet: www.asarco.com

More Info: Reservations are recommended for tours of the mine.

Children's Museum Tucson



New fun and educational exhibits are opening up all the time at this museum devoted to promoting joy in learning for the entire family.

Exhibits and special events engage children in learning about the environment, biology, history and more.

Photo: Chubykin Arkady/Shutterstock.com

Address: 200 South 6th Avenue, Tucson

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 9am-5pm and Weekends: 10am-5pm

Phone: +1 520 792 9985

Internet: www.childrensmuseumtucson.org

Degrazia Gallery In the Sun



Built across ten acres at the foot of the Santa Catalina Mountains by Ettore "Ted" DeGrazia, the buildings, works of art in themselves, house

works by the artist and others. DeGrazia, who lived until 1982, depicted the lives of the Arizona people through his paintings and other works.

Photo: Sonoflightning (image cropped)

Address: 6300 North Swan Road, Tucson

Opening hours: Daily from 10am-4pm

Phone: +1 520 299 9191

Internet: www.degrazia.org

Flandrau Science Center and Planetarium



All areas of science are explored at the science center, located on the University of Arizona's campus, through events, activities, and

ever-changing exhibits. It is also the home of the Mineral Museum and southern Arizona's only Planetarium Theater.

Photo: Chris Teng (image cropped)

Address: 1601 East University Boulevard, Tucson

Opening hours: Monday-Thursday: 9am - 5pm, Friday: 9am - 10pm, Saturday: 10am - 10pm, Sunday: 12pm-5pm.

Phone: +1 520 621 7827

Internet: www.flandrau.org

More Info: Hours vary depending on season

The Fox Tucson Theatre



The Fox Tucson Theatre, built in the 1930s, is on the National Register of Historic Places. The theater now screens movies, hosts concerts

and serves as event space.

Photo: Paul Sableman (image cropped)

Address: 17 West Congress Street, Tucson

Opening hours: Tue-Fri: 12pm-5pm, Mondays & Weekends:

Two hours prior to performance

Phone: +1 520 624 1515

Internet: www.foxtucsontheatre.org

The Arizona Trail



More than 800 miles traverse the cities, deserts, canyons, and mountains of Arizona from the border of

Mexico to the border of Utah. Guided hikes, mountain bike rides, and horse rides are available.

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Address: 534 North Stone Avenue, Tucson

Phone: +1 602 252 4794

Internet: www.aztrail.org

DINING



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Mexican and Southwestern cooking permeates the food scene in Tucson but is by no means your only choice. The city has become a major culinary hub with distinguished chefs serving up contemporary and classic cuisine. If classic Americana is what you are looking for, you will still find that here along with Asian and European flavors.

Flying V Bar & Grill

At Flying V Bar & Grill, you can get fresh meals made with locally sourced ingredients and a mix of traditional American cuisine with Spanish & Mexican influences. Try the fresh homemade guacamole and the delicious cornbread.

Address: 7000 N Resort Dr, Tucson

Opening hours: Sunday - Thursday 5:30pm - 9:00pm Friday - Saturday 5:00pm - 10:00pm

Phone: +1 520 615 5495

Internet:

www.loewshotels.com/ventana-canyon/dining/restaurant

Vivace

Vivace is situated in a gorgeous building with outside seatings and spectacular views of the city. They serve genuinely fine Italian cuisine in

downtown Tucson.

Address: 6440 N Campbell Ave, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday - Thursday 11:30am - 9pm, Friday -
Saturday 11:30am - 10pm
Phone: +1 520 795 7221
Internet: www.vivacetucson.com

It's Greek To Me

The authentic Greek decoration and the Santorini painting in the ceiling in this small, intimate place will make you forget you are not in Greece. Simply delightful Greek cuisine in a lovely atmosphere.

Address: 15920 N Oracle Rd 120, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday - Saturday 11am - 9pm
Phone: +1 520 825 4199
Internet: www.itsgreektometucson.com

The Tasteful Kitchen

Not only vegans or vegetarians love this place. The vegan and vegetarian restaurant serves creative, fresh and tasty dishes made with seasonal, organic and locally grown produce. Raw and gluten-free options available

Address: 722 N Stone Ave, Tucson
Opening hours: Tuesday - Saturday 5pm - 9pm
Phone: +1 520 250 9600
Internet: thetastefulkitchen.com

Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar

This steakhouse serves excellent steaks and cuts of meat. The bone-in filet is fabulous, perfectly cooked and the extensive wine list is the perfect compliment to a fantastic meal.

Address: 6360 N Campbell Ave, Tucson
Opening hours: Sunday 5pm - 9pm, Monday - Thursday 5pm -
10pm, Friday - Saturday 5pm - 10:30pm
Phone: +1 520 529 5017
Internet: www.flemingssteakhouse.com/locations/az/tucson

47 scott

In addition to fresh, seasonal menu items, this

downtown bistro also offers micro-brews and unique cocktails. The cuisine can be characterized as contemporary American, with twists on some of your favorite comfort classics.

Address: 47 North Scott Avenue, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 4pm-10pm, Saturday -
Sunday: 10am-10pm
Phone: +1 520 624 4747
Internet: www.47scott.com

Downtown Kitchen+Cocktails

A simple, yet varied and sophisticated menu and delicious drinks are at the heart of this downtown Tucson eatery. With James Beard Award-winning chef Janos Wilder at its helm, you know you are in for a delicious dining experience.

Address: 135 South 6th Avenue, Tucson
Opening hours: Sunday-Thursday: 4pm-9pm,
Friday-Saturday: 4pm-1am, Sunday: 4pm-9pm
Phone: +1 520 623 7700
Internet: www.downtownkitchen.com

BK Carne Asada & Hot Dogs

After taking home a win on the Travel Channel's 'Food Wars', BK garnered bragging rights as top dogs for their Sonoran style hot dogs. Their menu also includes burgers, salads, breakfast dishes and a variety of Tex-Mex style offerings.

Address: 5118 South 12th Avenue, Tucson
Opening hours: Sunday-Thursday: 9am-12am, Fri-Sat:
9am-2:30am
Phone: +1 520 295 0105
Internet: www.bktacos.com
More Info: Additional location at 2680 North 1st Avenue,
Tucson

San Carlos Restaurant

This top-rated, family-owned restaurant serves classic Mexican fare. Quality ingredients are used to prepare authentic Mexican dishes served in large portions at affordable prices.

Address: 1370 North Silverbell Road, Suite 180, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10am-9pm, Sunday:
8am-7:30pm
Phone: +1 520 792 2075
Internet: www.sancarlosgrillorovalley.com
More Info: Additional location at 12125 N. Oracle Road #169

Rigo's Restaurant

This Mexican restaurant serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner and offers a buffet for every meal. Some of their specialties include shrimp fajitas and pollo con mole, which is chicken served with a spicy chocolate sauce.

Address: 2527 South 4th Avenue, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday - Thursday 6am - 9pm, Friday -
Saturday until 10pm, Sunday until 8pm
Phone: +1 520 882 9323
More Info: Additional location at 5851 N. Oracle Road

Cushing Street Bar & Restaurant

Housed in an adobe building that dates back to the 1860s, Cushing Street Bar & Restaurant is the perfect place for a romantic dinner in the patio dining area. Cushing Street hosts live jazz music on Saturday nights and serves up a delicious brunch menu on Sundays.

Address: 198 West Cushing Street, Tucson
Opening hours: Dinner and cocktails Wednesday & Thursday
5pm - 9pm, Friday & Saturday 5pm - 10pm, Sunday Brunch:
10am-2pm.
Phone: +1 520 622 7984
Internet: www.cushingstreet.com

Elliott's On Congress

Is it a restaurant with great drinks or a bar with great food? Elliott's is the best of both worlds with great food and drink specials daily.

Address: 135 East Congress Street, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday-Sunday: 11am-2am
Phone: +1 520 622 5500
Internet: www.elliottsoncongress.com

Reilly Craft Pizza and Drink

Thinking outside the circle, Reilly's is a pizza parlor that offers something beyond the basic pepperoni pie. It is likely you have never seen a pizza topped with such unusual ingredients as squash, truffle cheese, broccoli, lemon, and eggplant. They also have an extensive wine list and a menu of unique and refreshing cocktails.

Address: 101 East Pennington Street, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday-Thursday: 11am-10pm, Friday:
11am-11pm, Saturday: 12pm-11pm, Sunday: 12pm-9pm
Phone: +1 520 882 5550
Internet: www.reilypizza.com

The Fix

The Fix is a mac 'n cheese lover's paradise with an almost endless variety of flavor combinations of this classic American comfort food. Create your own flavor combination with your choice of sauce, meat, and veggies, or try one of their signature mac 'n cheese creations like the Lobster, the Hangover, the Buffalo Chicken, or the Meat Lovers. The menu also contains salads and sandwiches.

Address: 943 E. University Blvd, Suite 115, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday-Thursday: 11am-9pm,
Friday-Saturday: 11am-10pm, Sunday: 12am-6pm.
Phone: +1 520 305 4493
Internet: www.thefixaz.com

Union Public House

Union Public House serves up American cuisine made from fresh, sustainable ingredients. Enjoy your meal or a drink while you relax in the stylish, laid-back atmosphere.

Address: 4340 North Campbell Avenue, Suite 103, Tucson
Opening hours: Daily: 11am-1am; Sunday Brunch:
10am-2pm.
Phone: +1 520 329 8575
Internet: www.uniontucson.com

The Parish

The Parish is a homey gastropub that serves variations of your favorite Southern-style dishes. For some added local flair, they showcase the talents of area musicians and artists.

Address: 6453 North Oracle Road, Tucson

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

Phone: +1 520 797 1233

Internet: www.theparishtucson.com

Chef Alisah's Restaurant

Chef Ahmet Alisah prepares fresh European and Bosnian food daily. The cevapi, or Bosnian-style sausages, are a favorite.

Address: 5931 North Oracle Road, Suite 117, Tucson

Opening hours: Tuesday - Sunday 10:30am - 1:30pm, 5:30pm - 9:30pm

Phone: +1 520 887 5305

Internet: www.alisahrestaurant.com

D's Island Grill JA

If you need a break from the stream of Mexican-inspired restaurants but want a little something more than typical American fare, try the Jamaican dishes at D's Island Grill JA. They have become famous locally for their jerk burger. Call or order online to have your food delivered right to you!

Address: 3156 East Fort Lowell Road, Tucson

Opening hours: Monday - Thursday 11:00am - 8:00pm, Friday 11:00am - 9:00pm, Saturday 7:00am - 9:00pm

Phone: +1 520 861 2271

Internet: www.dsislandgrilltucson.com

CAFÉS



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Vying for the accolades of the University of Arizona's student population keeps the coffee brewers of the city at the top of their game. Many coffee shops serve food and keep long hours to accommodate the college crowd. Cafés in Tucson are unique entities that appeal to a variety of clientele. The search for the one that best appeals to your tastes may yield more than one result.

El Rio Bakery

While its unimposing exterior may not allure you, the smells of fresh baked breads and pastries wafting from this Mexican bakery will. In addition to tasty pastries, El Rio serves up other Mexican dishes.

Address: 901 North Grande Avenue, Tucson

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 6am-7pm, Sunday: 6am-3pm

Phone: +1 520 624 4966

Beyond Bread

Enjoy breakfast, lunch, or dinner at this locally-owned cafe, which offers over 30 varieties of freshly baked bread. Their sandwiches are served on their fresh artisan bread.

Address: 3024 North Campbell Avenue, Tucson

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 6:30am-8pm, Saturday: 7am-8pm, Sunday: 7am-6pm

Phone: +1 520 322 9965

Internet: www.beyondbread.com

More Info: Additional locations at 421 W. Ina Road (+1 520 461 1111) and 6260 E. Speedway Blvd. (+1 520 747 7477)

Cafe 54

Named for its location on Pennington Street in Downtown Tucson, Cafe 54 serves an ever-changing lunch menu of dishes inspired by fresh ingredients throughout the week. In addition to serving delicious food to Tucsonans, Cafe 54 also serves the community as an employment-training program for individuals with mental disabilities.

Address: 54 East Pennington Street, Tucson

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 11am-2pm

Phone: +1 520 622 1907

Internet: www.cafe54.org

Cafe à la C'Art

Cafe à la C'Art is a country-style cafe and bakery located on the grounds of the Tucson Museum of Art. They serve breakfast and lunch daily.

Address: 150 North Main Avenue, Tucson

Opening hours: Monday - Tuesday 8:00am - 3:00pm,

Wednesday-Sunday 8:00am - 5:00pm

Phone: +1 520 628 8533

Internet: www.cafealacarttucson.com

Cafe Desta

Cafe Desta serves authentic Ethiopian cuisine. It is also a great place to get a cup of coffee or tea.

Address: 758 South Stone Avenue, Tucson

Opening hours: Daily: 11am-9pm

Phone: +1 520 370 7000

Internet: www.cafedesta.com

Caffé Milano

Fresh ingredients are key in the dishes served daily at this authentic Italian cafe. In addition to quality, you also get quality, as Caffé Milano's dishes are served up in ample portions.

Address: 46 West Congress Street, Tucson

Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 8:30am-2:30pm,

Thursday-Saturday: 5:30pm-9:00pm

Phone: +1 520 628 1601

Internet: www.lafuficaffemilano.com/en/reviews/caffemilano

Espresso Art Café

Hookah lounge meets coffee bar at this cafe popular with University of Arizona students because of its proximity to campus, late hours, and delicious food. Espresso Art Café also hosts art shows and music from local artists.

Address: 942 East University Boulevard, Tucson

Opening hours: 7am-12am

Phone: +1 520 624 4126

Internet: www.espressoarttucson.com

Coyote Pause Cafe

The menu at Coyote Pause Cafe offers simple, healthy meals that taste like home with a Southwestern flair. It is located in the Cat Mountain Station shopping center near Spencer's Observatory.

Address: 2740 South Kinney Road, Tucson

Opening hours: Daily: 7:30am-2:15pm

Phone: +1 520 883 7297

Internet:

www.catmountainstation.com/coyote_pause_cafe.html

Cup Cafe

Located within Hotel Congress, Cup Cafe is open every day of the year and serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Known colloquially as "The Cup", Cup Café also offers a full bar and a build-your-own Bloody Mary bar.

Address: 311 East Congress Street, Tucson

Phone: +1 520 622 8848

Internet: www.hotelcongress.com/food

Claire's Cafe and Art Gallery

Art lovers and breakfast lovers converge at Claire's, which houses original artwork and

serves breakfast all day. All of your favorites are represented on the menu here, from pancakes, waffles, and omelettes in the morning to burgers and fries, sandwiches, and salads for lunch and dinner.

Address: 16140 North Oracle Road, Catalina
Opening hours: Daily 7am-3pm
Phone: +1 520 825 2525
Internet: www.clairescafe.net
Email: ClaireCafe@Comcast.net

Mi Nidito

A favorite stop for celebrities visiting Tucson, Mi Nidito has been serving delicious Mexican food since it opened its doors in 1952. Former U.S. President Bill Clinton and singers Julio and Enrique Iglesias count themselves among the famous clientele to have eaten here.

Address: 1813 South 4th Avenue, Tucson
Opening hours: Wednesday-Sunday: 11am-9pm
Phone: +1 520 622 5081
Internet: www.minidito.net

Teresa's Mosaic Cafe

Beautiful handmade mosaic table tops are a highlight of this quaint Mexican cafe. Of course the food isn't anything to sneeze at. Teresa's was featured on an episode of the Food Network's Throwdown! with Bobby Flay, in which they competed against the celebrity chef in the preparation of huevos rancheros.

Address: 2455 North Silver Mosaic Drive, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 7:30am-9pm, Sunday: 7:30am-2pm
Phone: +1 520 624 4512
Internet: www.mosaiccafes.com

Epic Cafe

Epic Cafe brings gourmet coffee to a whole new level. Try a cup with a made-from-scratch bakery item or a sandwich.

Address: 745 North 4th Avenue, Tucson
Opening hours: Daily: 6am-midnight
Phone: +1 520 624 6844
Internet: www.epiccafe.com

Sunny Side Up Cafe

A casual eatery with a classic diner feel, Sunny Side Up has friendly staff and great classic American food. It's a great place to grab breakfast, especially early in the morning, since they open at 5:30am.

Address: 15800 North Oracle Road, Catalina
Opening hours: Daily: 5:30am - 2:30pm
Phone: +1 520 818 1083

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



Bill Morrow (image cropped)

Night owls can find laid back spots or raucous parties. The city's Latin influence can be seen around town in music and dancing at restaurants and nightclubs. In addition to a bevy of night spots catering to the college crowd, Tucson is also home to several gay-friendly bars and clubs. Local watering holes compete for the dollars of the local college crowd by offering a bevy of entertainment options.

Club Congress



Live music nearly nightly creates a fun atmosphere for a drink with friends in this bar located within Tucson's Hotel Congress.

Other entertainment options here include dancing to music from resident and guest DJs and special events like karaoke and game nights.

Photo: stillwellmike (image cropped)
Address: 311 East Congress Street, Tucson
Phone: +1 520 622 8848
Internet: www.hotelcongress.com
Email: reservations@hotelcongress.com

Che's Lounge



Like its decor, the patronage of Che's Lounge is a mish-mash of all kinds of people. One thing everyone has in common is the love for a

good drink. Che's offers creative seasonal fruit cocktails with watermelon, blueberry and the like.

Photo: Geoff Stearns (image cropped)
Address: 350 North 4th Avenue, Tucson
Opening hours: Daily: 12pm-2am
Phone: +1 520 623 2088
Internet: www.cheslounge.com

Risky Business



With three locations in Tucson and convenient hours, Risky Business is a great place to have a meal, unwind with friends, or sip a drink

while catching a game. Its easygoing climate draws both adults seeking a good time in the late

hours and families who want a fun, relaxing lunch or dinner out.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com
Address: 6866 East Sunrise Drive, Tucson
Opening hours: Daily: 11am-late night
Phone: +1 520 584 1610
Internet: riskybusinessstucson.com
More Info: Additional locations at 8848 East Tanque Verde Road

Tap and Bottle



Tap & Bottle offers exactly what its name implies—a plethora of beers and wines with something to satisfy any palette. Show up for a

tasting to gain some knowledge of the current beer and wine offerings. The staff is very knowledgeable and passionate about beer.

Photo: fotorince/Shutterstock.com
Address: 403 N 6th Ave 135, Tucson
Phone: +1 520 344 8999
Internet: www.thetapandbottle.com

Barrio Brewing Co



Barrio Brewing Co is a trendy bar tucked away from the hustle and bustle of Tucson. They have an extensive selection of crafted beer

and great pub food.

Photo: Nitr/Shutterstock.com
Address: 800 E 16th St, Tucson
Opening hours: Sunday 11:00am - 9:00pm, Monday - Wednesday 11:00 am - 10:00pm, Thursday - Saturday 11:00am - 12:00am
Phone: +1 520 791 2739
Internet: barriobrewing.com

Sky Bar Tucson



Sky Bar is a college bar with telescopes set up outside. Get amazing views of the heavens, the sunset or the city at night while enjoying the relaxed and lively atmosphere. On Wednesday nights is the open mic night from 7-12pm.

Photo: BlueSkyImage/Shutterstock.com

Address: 536 N 4th Ave, Tucson

Opening hours: Sunday - Saturday 9:00am - 2:00am

Phone: +1 520 622 4300

Internet: skybartucson.com

LAFFS Comedy Club



LAFFS Comedy Club has been bringing nationally-recognized stand up acts to Tucson since 1988. Visit their website for a calendar of upcoming performances.

Photo: Carlos E. Santa Maria/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2900 East Broadway Boulevard, Tucson

Phone: +1 520 323 8669

Internet: www.laffstucson.com

Monsoon Night Club



There is no cover for ladies who want to enjoy a night dancing to live music from great bands and DJs at Monsoon, located at Desert Diamond Casino. This spacious nightclub also hosts special entertainment on weekends.

Photo: Maxim Blinkov/Shutterstock.com

Address: 7350 South Nogales Highway, Tucson

Opening hours: Every Friday 9pm - 2am

Phone: +1 520 294 7777

Internet: www.ddcaz.com

Paradiso Bar & Lounge



Located at Casino Del Sol, Paradiso Bar & Lounge frequently features live music spanning all genres. They are open until 2am nightly and serve a mix of cocktails, wines, craft beers and almost any mixed drink you could imagine from their full bar.

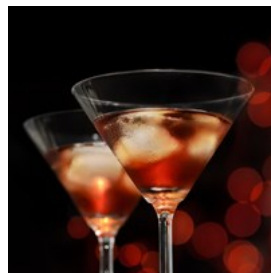
Photo: Vlasov Volodymyr/Shutterstock.com

Address: 5655 West Valencia Road, Tucson

Phone: +1 520 838 6508

Internet: www.casinodelsol.com

The Shelter Cocktail Lounge



Whether you think it's tacky or chic, you won't be able to take your eyes off of the funky, retro decor while you enjoy a drink or game of pool. Generally, The Shelter plays rock music from all decades, but, occasionally, they also host live musical performances.

Photo: Hitdelight/Shutterstock.com

Address: 4155 East Grant Road, Tucson

Opening hours: Daily: 3pm-2am

Phone: +1 520 326 1345

Scott & Co.



Enjoy a hand-crafted cocktail in an intimate setting. Scott & Co. is located next to the owners' restaurant 47 Scott.

Photo: Kondor83/Shutterstock.com

Address: 49 North Scott Avenue, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 6pm-2am
Phone: +1 520 624 4747
Internet: www.47scott.com

The Surly Wench



The Surly Wench daylights as a neighborhood pub with great food and drink selections but moonlights as a live entertainment venue featuring music and burlesque shows. Check out their calendar for a full listing of performances.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com
Address: 424 North 4th Avenue, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday - Friday 2pm-2am Weekend: 11am-2am.
Phone: +1 520 882 0009
Internet: www.surlywenchpub.com
Email: surlywenchpub@yahoo.com

The Buffet



The Buffet is a dive bar with a very diverse clientele and roots in the Tucson Ironhorse District that go back to the early 1900s. It is Tucson's oldest bar and is popular for its strong drinks and cheap prices.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com
Address: 538 East 9th Street, Tucson
Opening hours: Daily: 6am-2am, Monday: 10am-2am
Phone: +1 520 623 6811
More Info: Only accepts cash.

IBT's



IBT's is located within minutes of Downtown and has been voted best gay bar in Tucson several times over. There are several events to look forward to each week, including IBT's renowned drag shows.

Photo: Patrizia Tilly/Shutterstock.com
Address: 616 North 4th Avenue, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday-Sunday: 12pm-2am.
Phone: +1 520 882 3053
Internet: www.ibtstucson.com

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



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Tucson International Airport



The Tucson International Airport (TUS) is about 10 miles south from downtown Tucson and served by six airlines that fly nonstop to 15 major U.S. cities, including Chicago, Los Angeles and Atlanta.

Car rentals

On-site you will find nine car rentals such as Hertz, Avis, Budget and Enterprise. These car

rental agencies can be found in the Rental Car Facility east of the Terminal.

Bus

To travel by public transport from the airport you can use Tucson region's public transit system called Sun Tran. Usually it runs every 30 minutes from 5:30am to 10:30pm weekdays and every 60 minutes from 6am to 7pm weekends and holidays. The bus stop is placed directly west of the terminal on the Departures Roadway. You can either pay cash (exact change is required) or with SunGO fare card which you can pre-purchase in advance and have it mailed before the trip. www.suntran.com

Shuttle

Arizona Stagecoach offers shared-ride van services throughout the Tucson region. Their counter is in the baggage claim area. Many hotels and resorts also offers shuttle services but make sure to book in advance.

Taxi

Another option to travel from the airport is by taxi. There are four taxi companies serving from the airport which are situated on the Commercial Roadway outside the baggage claim area.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: 7250 S. Tucson Boulevard

Phone: +1 520 573 8100

Internet: www.flytucsonairport.com

Time Zone



Tucson is located in the Mountain Time Zone, and all times are reflected in Mountain time.

Photo: Marek Polakovic

Public Transportation



SunTran operates the public bus system in Tucson and they operate 40 fixed routes. You can either pay your fair by having a SunGO Card or

pay with Go Tucson app. If paying in cash the farebox validates bills and coins.

www.suntran.com

The Sun Link Tucson Streetcar links five major activity centers—the University of Arizona, Fourth Avenue, Main Gate Square, Downtown Tucson, and the Mercado District—in central Tucson. Cash is not accepted on the streetcar. You can buy 1-Day SunGO ticket and once you have activated it, it is good for 24 hours. Tucson Streetcar starts to operate 7am on weekdays and 8am on weekends. www.sunlinkstreetcar.com

Photo: Pierre-Luc Aucla

Address: 3920 N. Sun Tran Boulevard

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

Phone: +1 520 792 628 1565

Internet: www.suntran.com

Email: suntraninfo@tucsonaz.gov

Post Office



There are several branches of the United States Postal Service located throughout Tucson. 1501 S Cherrybell Stra #205,

Tucson

+1 520-388-5043

2100 E Speedway Blvd, Tucson
+1 520-881-1175

Photo: Andy Fuchs
Address: 1501 S Cherrybell Stra 205, Tucson
Opening hours: Monday - Friday 9am - 7pm, Saturday
8:30am - 3:30pm
Phone: +1 520-388 5043
Internet: www.usps.com

Taxi



Taxi cab companies in Tucson include: Discount Cab +1 520 388 9004 AAA Airport Taxi Inc. +1 520 207 4790 Orange Cab of Tucson +1 520

884 7900

Phone: +1 520 388 9004

Pharmacy



Several local pharmacies are located throughout Tucson as well as branches are chain pharmacies Walgreens and CVS. CVS

Pharmacy
865 E Grant Rd, Tucson
+1 520 622 4853
Open daily 7am - 10pm

Reed's Compounding Pharmacy
2729 E Speedway Blvd, Tucson
+1 520 318 4421
Monday - Friday 9am - 6pm, Saturday 9am - 1pm

Photo: Gemma Garner
Address: 865 E Grant Rd, Tucson
Opening hours: Open daily 7am - 10pm
Phone: +1 520 622 4853

Telephone



Country code: +1 Area codes: 520

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity



110 Volt

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Population
525,796

Currency
US currency
One U.S. dollar=100 cents

Internet
tucsonaz.gov

Newspapers
Tucson Citizen (tucsoncitizen.com)
Arizona Daily Star (azstarnet.com)

Emergency numbers
Dial 911 for emergencies

Tourist information
Metropolitan Tucson Convention & Visitors Bureau
100 South Church Avenue
Tucson, AZ 85701