

# Things to do in ABQ

## **Old Town Albuquerque**

Visit the city's 300-year-old cultural heart, including the San Felipe de Neri Church (1706), various shops and restaurants.

## **Sandia Peak Aerial Tramway**

Enjoy incredible views while gliding through the Sandia Mountains to over 10,378 feet on the longest tramway in North America.

## **ABQ Trolley Co. (Top tour on TripAdvisor)**

An Albuquerque Tourism & Sightseeing Factory (AT &SF) production, the 120-minute "Best of ABQ City Tour" lets you hop-on and hop-off to experience Albuquerque. AT &SF also offers a myriad of other tours and activities.

## **Albuquerque Museum**

At the edge of Old Town, Albuquerque Museum is a leading institution for art, history and culture in New Mexico and the American Southwest. This family-friendly museum has interactive spaces, a sculpture garden, store, and café.

## **National Museum of Nuclear Science & History**

At this Smithsonian Affiliate Museum, explore decommissioned rockets and missiles while learning about the deeply-rooted history of nuclear science in New Mexico.

## **Anderson-Abruzzo Albuquerque International Balloon Museum**

Explore the history and science of lighter-than-air aviation or catch a film at the new 4D theater at this museum located adjacent to Balloon Fiesta Park.

## **Hot Air Balloon Rides**

Experience ballooning year-round in Albuquerque with local balloon ride companies that will take you on an experience of a lifetime.

## **Experience Flamenco**

Albuquerque is a center for this art form with frequent guest dancers/musicians from Spain and local schools/classes – check out the performances at the outdoor tablao at Casa Flamenca near the Museum on Rio Grande Blvd. or the indoor tablao at Hotel Albuquerque.

## **National Hispanic Cultural Center**

A world-class center for Hispanic arts and culture featuring an art museum, a state-of-the-art performing arts complex, a library and genealogy center, a restaurant and gift shop.

## **Route 66**

Drive along one of the longest stretches of old Route 66 in the nation –now Central Ave - it goes through Albuquerque from one end to the other, east to west. ABQ is also where Rt 66 crosses itself (a redesign of the highway meant that it first went north-south through Albuquerque and then east-west.) Rt 66 intersects Rt 66 at Central and 4<sup>th</sup> Street. The Rt 66 Visitor Center is under construction and will eventually have an online tour available.

## **Unser Racing Museum**

A multi-dimensional museum experience utilizing modern technologies to educate and immerse the visitor in the exciting world of racing. Celebrates New Mexico's racing family, the Unsers.

## **Rio Grande Nature Center**

The *Rio Grande Nature Center* State Park is Albuquerque's premier nature experience with bosque trails, ponds, native vegetation, birds and wildlife. Located adjacent to the Rio Grande, the Rio Grande Nature Center is a 38-acre urban wildlife preserve established in 1982. About two thirds of the grounds of the Park are set aside as habitat for wildlife.

## **Turquoise Museum**

The *Turquoise Museum* is a privately owned family institution. The family was an old trading company family and 5 generations have dealt with turquoise. The Turquoise Museum's galleries are designed to fascinate, educate, and entertain all visitors.

**American International Rattlesnake Museum** - Weird and Amazing place! In Old Town.

## **Maxwell Museum of Anthropology, University of New Mexico campus**

The Maxwell Museum of Anthropology is an anthropology museum located on the University of New Mexico campus in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The museum was founded in 1932 as the Museum of Anthropology of the University of New Mexico, becoming the first public museum in Albuquerque

## **Meteorite Museum, University of New Mexico campus**

Part of UNM's Institute of Meteoritics, opened in 1974. The meteorites on display in the museum are only a small part of the research and teaching collection, which includes over 5000 specimens of over 650 samples. All the meteorites in the collection are available for study by researchers within the institute and throughout the world.