



TRAVEL OUR VIRTUAL HIGHWAY ARIZONA AT A GLANCE

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GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK



GREETINGS FROM THE EDGE would be an appropriate postcard from Arizona's National Parks, with the most popular being the Grand Canyon. Cut by the Colorado River the enormous magnitude of this 6,001'D (1mile) canyon exposes ancient layers of rock strata, painting breathtaking vistas while securing its place as one of the Natural Wonders of the World. Traveling east along

the Southern Colorado Plateau, leads into the Navajo valley, featuring towering sandstone formations up to 1,000'H. Wind and water have eroded the rock plateaus into miles of mesas and buttes, sculpting the landscape which defines the quintessential vision of "the west". 82% of the land in AZ is in public trust to the state, with 27% designated as tribal reservations to the 21 recognized Native American tribes, with the Navajos being the largest. Turning south

MONUMENT VALLEY TRIBAL PARK



SAGUARO NATIONAL PARK



towards Tucson, passing through the Petrified Forest National Park, our virtual road-trip takes us to the Saguaro National Park. This small area is the only place the giant Saguaro cacti is found. Living up to 250 years it can grow up to 30'H and weigh up to 8 ton. The *Carnegiea Gigantea* was named after Andrew Carnegie, who established a desert lab for native plant research. **Learn more about all 21 parks at www.nps.gov/state/az**

THE ARCHITECTURE OF ARIZONA HISTORIC, SUSTAINABLE AND PROFOUND



Mission San Xavier del Bac is a premier example of Spanish Colonial architecture. Traditional, breathable mud plaster made with pulp from the prickly pear cactus, is replacing cement-based stucco in an extensive restoration of the ornate New Spain-Native American interior.



Gold LEED certification and multiple award winner, ASU's College Avenue Commons is the campus's new gateway, and home to the School of Sustainable Engineering and the Built Environment. It is a refined example of ASU's commitment to sustainable design.



The James C. Wyant College of Optical Sciences uses a series of faceted glass apertures and light shafts to control and direct light deep in to the interior. This award winning design is fitting for the premier optic research institution it houses on University of Arizona's campus.



The National Park Service has compiled over 3,000 places significant to the cultural story of America in HERITAGE TRAVEL. Historic, architectural, natural, and monumental all total 84 million acres of preservation, important to the fabric of our country. Explore the 55 National Heritage sites and discover why President Reagan described them as "a new kind of national park". **Learn more at www.nps.gov/history/heritage-travel.htm**

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Arizona is my second home. It is also the state everyone would recognize, even if they had never been there. For decades the buttes in the Navajo Valley have been the location of adventure movies, including westerns, Indiana Jones and Star Wars. And although the Saguaro cactus only grows in a very small area, it has become the symbol of the west. Understanding history and local culture helps us make better decisions for the future. Stay encouraged, stay inspired, and enjoy the ride.

Becky

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MATH SQUARE

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+		X		+	
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+		+		+	
	+		-		1
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- Use the numbers 1 through 9 to complete the equations.
- Each number is only used once.
- Remember that multiplication and division are performed before addition and subtraction.