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A whole range of possibilities

Surrounded by mountain ranges, the Phoenix metropolitan area encompasses more than 500 square miles of the Sonoran Desert and is comprised of 24 municipalities in total, each with a distinct set of features, attractions and flavors that offer visitors a unique view of the nation's fifth-largest city.

Thus, Greater Phoenix is one of the largest metropolitan areas in the United States, with approximately 5 million people living there.

It has resorts and golf courses, with its total area bounded by national forests and Native American communities; it is about the size of Delaware.

Phoenix

In Arizona's capital you can find the best things to do and the best places to go, including districts like Roosevelt Row and Melrose, and attractions like the Desert Botanical Garden, Camelback Mountain and more.

As you know, over the years, downtown Phoenix has become a huge hub of urban culture in the Southwest; it's impossible to take in all of downtown at once, but here are some basic destinations to check out.

Whether you're looking to shop and dine on Roosevelt Row, catch a show at The Van Buren or catch an elevated at Chase Field, there's something very 'cool' you can do; these are some of the locals' favorite things to do in downtown Phoenix.

If you're a fan of museums, you can visit the Phoenix Art Museum, the largest in the Southwest, which houses classic and contemporary pieces; then there's the Phoenix Children's Museum, which engages the little ones with hands-on, interactive experiences.

You can also opt for a self-guided art walk along Roosevelt Row to see the creative and colorful work of the region's street artists.

East Valley

East Valley cities boast incredible natural wonders like Superstition Mountains in Mesa and McDowell Sonoran Preserve in Scottsdale, as well as lively nightlife on Mill Avenue and Old Town Scottsdale in downtown Tempe. A testament to this is Scottsdale, where shopping malls, spas and art galleries offer plenty of entertainment during the day.

Evenings, however, give way to indulgence, whether it's sampling one of the city's acclaimed restaurants or savoring a wine tasting in a tasting room, all while enjoying spectacular scenery.

Tempe also deserves a special mention, offering an amalgam of outdoor activities, interesting cuisine and a myriad of things to do in the face of the local culture on offer.

This is a city where you can spend your days paddling on Tempe Town Lake and walking through Rio Salado Park, or viewing contemporary art at the Arizona State University (ASU) Museum of Art.

West Valley

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Greater Phoenix's West Valley is home to some of the Cactus League's most popular spring training stadiums, as well as the Arizona Cardinals stadium, the Westgate Entertainment District, Lake Pleasant and more.

Of course, Glendale stands out, catering to those seeking a Main Street experience through its historic downtown: tree-lined streets are home to independent boutiques housed in homes and carriage houses, many dating back to the first half of the 20th century, as well as a wide range of restaurants.

Antique shopping along the brick-adorned sidewalks is also big here, with stores selling everything from

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secondhand furniture to vintage handbags.

If your taste is more sporty, for about four weeks each year, Surprise welcomes baseball fans by hosting the Kansas City Royals and Texas Rangers at its ballpark during Cactus League spring training.

Plus, if you're looking for things to do and places to eat the other eleven months of the year, you'll come to the right place, too.

More information: Visitphoenix.com

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