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A Weekend in Santa Fe

Santa Fe, 2 Days

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Guide Description



AUTHOR NOTE: With over 200 restaurants and countless museums, Santa Fe has developed as a destination for food and art lovers of all kinds. Events such as ArtFeast, Taste of Santa Fe, and the Santa Fe Wine & Chile Fiesta are perfect opportunities to sample the range of art and cuisine. In addition, cooking classes to help visitors master the art of cooking with chile, the city's most ubiquitous ingredient.

Itinerary Overview

things to do
restaurants
hotels
nightlife

Day 1 - Santa Fe

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Second Street Brewery
Great Conversation, Food & Beer



Georgia O'Keeffe Museum
Modern Art Museum



El Farol
Santa Fe's Oldest Restaurant



Santa Fe Detours
People Who Know Santa Fe



Anasazi Restaurant
One of Santa Fe's finest restaurants



Catamount Bar & Grille
Breakfast Served All Day & Night!



The Inn On The Alameda
Spanish Colonial-Style Lodging

Day 2 - Santa Fe

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New Mexico State Capitol
New Mexico legislative center

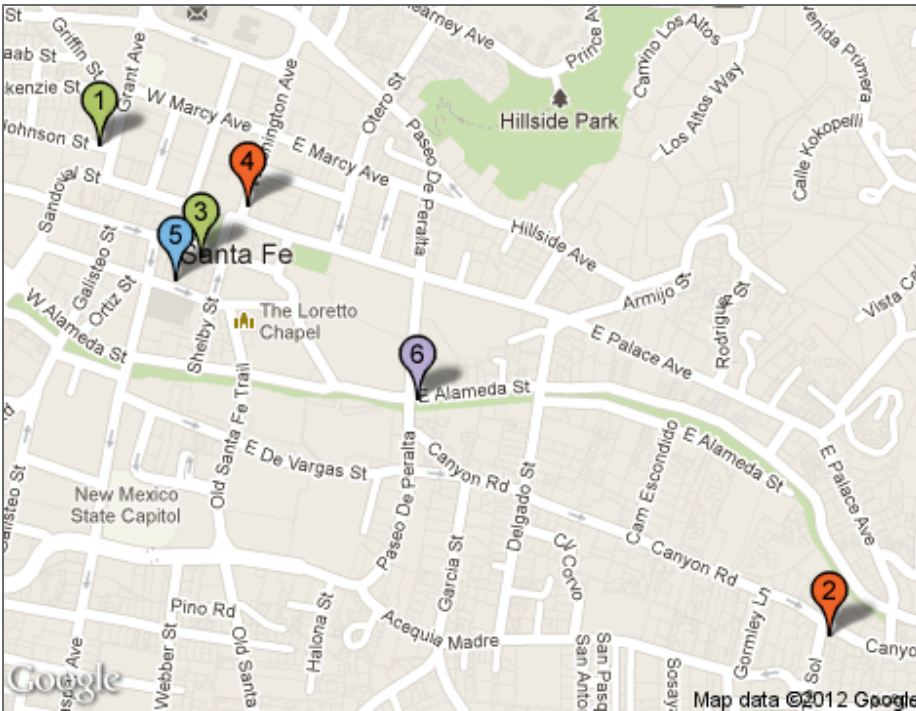


Santa Fe School of Cooking
Learn From The Best



Museum of International Folk Art
Impressive collection of folk art from around the world.

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hours:

M-Th & Sa-Su 10a-5p, F
10a-8p

1 Georgia O'Keeffe Museum

DESCRIPTION: The Georgia O'Keeffe Museum, inaugurated in July 1997, contains the largest collection of O'Keeffes in the world: currently 1,149 paintings, drawings, and sculptures, and 1,851 works by other artists of note. It's the largest museum in the United States dedicated solely to an internationally known woman artist. You can see such remarkable O'Keeffes as Jimson Weed, painted in 1932, and Evening Star No. VI, from 1917. The museum presents special exhibitions that are either devoted entirely to O'Keeffe's work or combine examples of her art with works by her American modernist contemporaries. My favorite in recent years brought together works of O'Keeffe and photographer Ansel Adams. The rich and varied collection adorns the walls of a cathedral-like, 13,000-square-foot space -- a former Baptist church with adobe walls. O'Keeffe's images are tied inextricably to local desert landscapes. She first visited New Mexico in 1929 and returned for extended periods from the '20s through the '40s. In 1949 she moved here permanently. An excellent film at the museum depicts her life. © Frommer's



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location:
808 Canyon Rd
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hours:
Mo to Su from 05:00 PM to
10:00 PM

2 El Farol

DESCRIPTION: This is the place to head for local ambience and flavors of Spain, Santa Fe, and Mexico. El Farol (The Lantern), set in an 1835 adobe building, is the Canyon Road artists' quarter's original neighborhood bar. The restaurant has cozy low ceilings and hand-smoothed adobe walls. Thirty-five varieties of tapas are offered, including such delicacies as gambas al ajillo (shrimp with chile, garlic, Madeira, and lime) and pinchos morunos (grilled pork skewers with harissa sauce). You can make a meal out of two or three tapas shared with your friends or order a full dinner such as the paella or the mixed grill, with lamb, chorizo, and shrimp over delectable potatoes. There is live entertainment 7 nights a week -- including jazz/swing, folk, and Latin guitar music -- starting at 9:30pm. In summer, two outdoor patios are open to diners. Call ahead to find out about their flamenco dinner shows. The restaurant offers some of the finest wines and sherries in the world. © Frommer's



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Santa Fe NM 87501

hours:
Daily 9a-5p

3 Santa Fe Detours

DESCRIPTION: One of Santa Fe's best walking tours begins under the T-shirt tree at Tees & Skis, 107 Washington Ave., near the northeast corner of the plaza (at 9:30am and 1:30pm). It lasts about 2 1/2 hours. From November through March, the tour runs by reservation only. © Frommer's



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113 Washington Avenue
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hours:
Daily 9a-10p

4 Anasazi Restaurant

DESCRIPTION: This restaurant has won many awards over the years, and has been mentioned in Conde Nast magazine more than once. Serving breakfast, lunch and dinner means that you are sure to get something to please your palate at any time of the day. The menu combines culinary choices from the three main cultures of the area—Native American, Spanish and Anglo. The Habañero Glazed Tuna Mignon is a slightly spicy meal that is fantastic. Other entrees of beef, pork, chicken and wild game are also great. © wcities.com



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location:
103 East Water Street
Santa Fe NM 87501

hours:
M-Sa 11a-2a; Su 1p-mid

5 Catamount Bar & Grille

DESCRIPTION: The post-college crowd hangs out at this bar, where live rock and blues music play on weekends. Food is served until 11pm, and there is also a billiards room. © Frommer's



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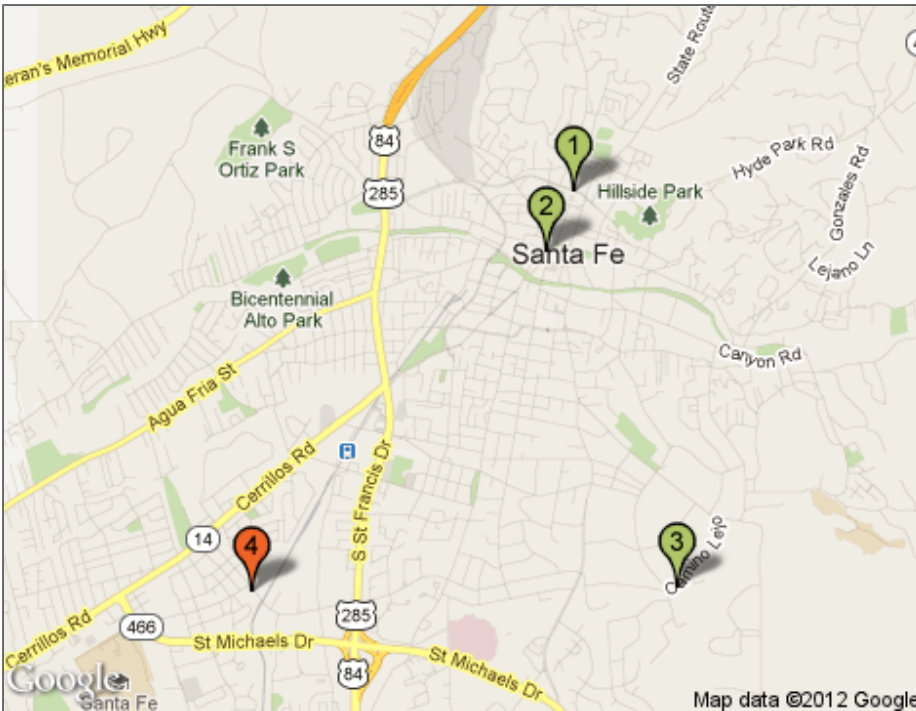
6 The Inn On The Alameda

DESCRIPTION: Just across the street from the bosque-shaded Santa Fe River sits the Inn on the Alameda, a cozy stop for those who like the services of a hotel with the intimacy of an inn. Built in 1986, with additions over the years, it's now a little like a village, with a number of buildings and casitas. All are pueblo-style adobe, ranging in age, but most were built in the late 1980s. The owner, Joe Schepps, appreciates traditional Southwestern style; he's used red brick in the dining area and Mexican equipae (wicker) furniture in the lobby, as well as thick vigas and shiny latillas in a sitting area set around a grand fireplace. The rooms follow a similar good taste, some with refrigerators, CD players, safes, and kiva fireplaces. All rooms have comfortable beds, good linens, robes, and well planned bathrooms with tile. The trees surrounding the inn -- cottonwoods and aspens -- add a bit of a rural feel to the property. If you're an art shopper, this is an ideal spot because it's a quick walk to Canyon Road. A full-service bar is open nightly. Breakfast is delicious, with bakery items and always a hot dish. © Frommer's



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location:

411 State Capitol
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hours:

10a-2p Mon-Fri

1 New Mexico State Capitol

DESCRIPTION: Built in 1966, this government center is shaped like the Zia symbol, and is known as the Round House. The four-story building houses government offices and the state House and Senate chambers. From the ground floor, you can enter the rotunda and see the state seal and rotating art exhibits that are often on display. The visitors center is also located on this floor. On the fourth floor, the Governors Gallery offers more works of art. Take a free, self-guided tour during the week, or call to make an appointment for a guided tour. © wcities.com



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116 West San Francisco Street
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2 Santa Fe School of Cooking

DESCRIPTION: Offering culinary tours of Santa Fe and the surrounding area, the Santa Fe School of Cooking has earned national awards for its light-hearted approach to cooking instruction. The Farmers Market class is a day trip to the Santa Fe Farmers Market, where you learn to select the best produce. Then, back at class you will be shown award-winning methods



hours:
10a-5p daily by appt.

for preparing a mouth-watering salsa. The school also offers a six-day tour of Northern New Mexico's villages and traditional cooking. © wcities.com

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hours:
Daily 10am-5pm Memorial Day to Labor Day; Tues-Sun the rest of the year 10am-5pm

3 Museum of International Folk Art

DESCRIPTION: This branch of the Museum of New Mexico may not seem quite as typically Southwestern as other Santa Fe museums, but it's the largest of its kind in the world. With a collection of some 130,000 objects from more than 100 countries, it's my favorite city museum, well worth an hour or two of perusing. It was founded in 1953 by the Chicago collector Florence Dibell Bartlett, who said, "If peoples of different countries could have the opportunity to study each other's cultures, it would be one avenue for a closer understanding between men." That's the basis on which the museum operates today. The special collections include Spanish colonial silver, traditional and contemporary New Mexican religious art, Mexican tribal costumes and majolica ceramics, Brazilian folk art, European glass, African sculptures, and East Indian textiles. Particularly delightful are numerous dioramas of people around the world at work and play in typical town, village, and home settings. Children love to look at the hundreds of toys on display throughout the museum, many of which are from a collection donated in 1982 by Alexander Girard, a notable architect and interior designer, and his wife, Susan. The couple spent their lives traveling the world collecting dolls, animals, fabrics, masks, and dioramas. They had a home in Santa Fe, where they spent many years before they died. Their donation included more than 100,000 pieces, 10,000 of which are exhibited at the museum. The Hispanic Heritage Wing houses a fine collection of Spanish colonial and contemporary Hispanic folk art. Folk-art demonstrations, performances, and workshops are often presented here. The 80,000-sq.-ft. museum also has a lecture room, a research library, and two gift shops, where a variety of folk art is available for purchase. © Frommer's



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Su noon-10p

4 Second Street Brewery

DESCRIPTION: In a metal building, tucked back off 2nd Street, this brewery has managed to create a lively pub scene and fairly warm atmosphere. The walls, painted in gold hues, enclose a room containing interesting contemporary art and wooden tables. It's a party type of place, especially during the warm months, when diners and beer savorers sit out on the patio. The beers are quite tasty -- I like the amber ale, and my friend enjoys the cream stout. You can even get a 4-ounce sampler size for \$1.25 and try a few different brews. The food isn't extremely memorable, but in winter, it can warm a hearty appetite with such home-style dishes as chicken potpie (as a special) and shepherd's pie. The fish and chips is a big seller as are the burgers, topped with green chile and cheese. The menu also offers lighter fare, such as quiches, soups, and



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salads. There's a kids' menu, and wines are available. Look for their "Hoppy" Hour, when beer prices are reduced. There are also darts all the time and live entertainment several nights a week. © Frommer's

Santa Fe Snapshot

Local Info

Whether it's snow blanketing sensual adobe walls, spring flowers painting the historic Plaza a kaleidoscope of color, fiestas lasting long into warm summer nights or golden aspens coating the surrounding Sangre de Cristo Mountains, Santa Fe is a city for every season. Lovingly called the City Different, Santa Fe offers a weaving of history stretching from pre-Columbian contact to the nuclear age, and a beauty that draws visitors from all over the world.

La Villa Real de Santa Fe- the Royal Town of Santa Fe- was established by Spanish governor Don Pedro de Peralta in 1608, making the city the oldest continuous capital in what is now the United States. The site at the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains was once home to an Indian Pueblo that had since been abandoned. Humble adobe buildings were built around a central plaza that is still the focus of the city today. One of those buildings, the Palace of the Governors, served as the capitol building for Spanish, Mexican and Territorial U.S. governors. Gov. Lew Wallace wrote his epic book *Ben Hur* while serving here.

One of the best ways to get to know Santa Fe is to visit the city's museums. Today, the Palace of the Governors is a museum(505-476-5100) and displays more than 15,000 artifacts from the Spanish colonial(1540-1821), Mexican(1821-1846) and U.S. Territorial(1846-1912) periods of New Mexico's history. Weapons, armor, documents, clothing, furniture and items of daily life from the Spanish through U.S. statehood in 1912 are proudly displayed. In fact, the museum itself is an archaeological site, with on-going excavations being conducted before a new annex is to be built. Items ranging from Pueblo pottery sherds to china dinnerware are being uncovered, attesting to the cultural and historic mix upon which Santa Fe is literally built. To think that just down the street is where scientists working on the top secret Manhattan Project at Los Alamos during World War II would report for duty can be heady for history buffs.

After learning a bit about New Mexico's founding history, visit the New Mexico Museum of Fine Art(505-476-5072), where the works of early Santa Fe masters underscore how the city earned

its international reputation as a haven for art. In the 1920s, luminaries such as John Sloan, Andrew Dasburg and Russell Cheney trickled into Santa Fe based on word of mouth. The living was easy and the light spectacular. Georgia O'Keeffe is honored with her own museum(505-946-1000) that features her bold and redefining work. On Museum Hill, the Museum of Indian Arts & Culture(505-476-1250) highlights contemporary Native American art such as that of R.C. Gorman, and the Museum of International Folk Art(505-476-1200) features just that, amazing folk art from around the world, including the donated collection of Alexander Girard. An entire room is dedicated to his thousands of clay figurines that depict Pueblo dances complete with camera-wielding tourists, Mexican Day of the Dead celebrations and a scene of Heaven and Hell where even the devils look cheery. The nearby Wheelwright Museum of the American Indian(505-982-4636) and the Museum of Spanish Colonial Art(505-982-2226) display pieces from New Mexico's Native American and Spanish history. Don't miss the Governor's Gallery on the Fourth Floor of the current state capitol, where contemporary artists from across New Mexico are featured. The internationally acclaimed Santa Fe Opera(505-986-5900) and 1930s ornate Lensic Theater(505-988-1234) are just a few of the venues where the performing arts shine.

Does seeing all of this art and history make you want to take some home? Santa Fe is world renowned for its shopping. From pieces of hand-made Native American turquoise jewelry purchased directly from the artist under the Palace of the Governor's portal to exquisite sculptures and paintings found along Canyon Road, beautiful things abound in the City Different. Shops surrounding the Plaza sell Native American pottery and jewelry, fashionable Southwestern-style clothing, books and gifts. Make sure to explore the side streets beyond the Plaza, as many shops filled with treasures are tucked away waiting to be discovered. Galleries line narrow Canyon Road, perhaps the oldest street still in use in the country. The road follows a 13th-century Indian trail leading from the pueblo that Santa Fe was built upon

to the mountains. The Spanish named it El Camino del Cañon- Canyon Road- and began building along it. Firewood was brought from the mountains to Santa Fe via this route. In the 1920s, artists began moving into the small, then-inexpensive houses, and the road's artistic heritage continues today. Gallery after gallery, many in historic buildings, offers some of the best artwork found in America, and has certainly helped Santa Fe solidify its place as the third largest art market in the country. One of the best things serious shoppers can do for themselves in Santa Fe is to bring a good pair of walking shoes.

If all of this walking and shopping makes you hungry, that's not a problem. Santa Fe boasts many romantic restaurants that constantly garner international praise for their exciting blending of tastes from around the world. Almost always at the center of these creations is New Mexico chile. Many of the chefs have written their own cookbooks so you can try their art at home. From lavish gourmet feasts to a quick handheld breakfast burrito, Santa Fe can easily accommodate whatever craving you may have.

Of course an entire trip can be spent discovering the made-made beauty of Santa Fe, but its surrounding natural beauty is also well worth exploring. At 7,000 feet, Santa Fe is cradled by aspen-covered mountains that provide a cool respite in the summer. In the fall, the mountains turn a blaze of yellows and reds, providing a striking backdrop for the city against the almost always brilliant blue sky. You can drive into this display by following Hyde Park-Ski Basin Road. Come winter Santa Fe offers some of the most rewarding skiing, snowboarding, snow shoeing and cross-country skiing in the nation. Near the end of Canyon Road is the trailhead for the new Dale Bale trail system. Winsor Trail has been called one of the best mountain biking trails in the nation. Anglers, rafters and kayakers enjoy a watery playground on the nearby Río Grande. Santa Fe has several shops that specialize in hiking, biking, skiing, fishing and all other forms of outdoor recreation. These shops are a great place to visit for tips on where to go.

After all of this exploring, treat yourself to any one of Santa Fe's world-class spas, especially if you've never been to one.

Santa Fe Snapshot continued

Luxuriate with any number of massages and treatments, from classic Swedish to Southwestern hot rock treatments. Reflexology, scalp and the latest in spa techniques are also easily found. If it's one thing Santa Fe knows how to do, it's how to melt away stress.

Educated, exercised, well fed and relaxed, the only thing left to do is to get a good night's rest so you can do it all again tomorrow. Santa Fe has a number of attentive hotels to choose from, as well

as quaint beds and breakfasts, many in historic homes. In Santa Fe, it's never hard to rest easy.

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