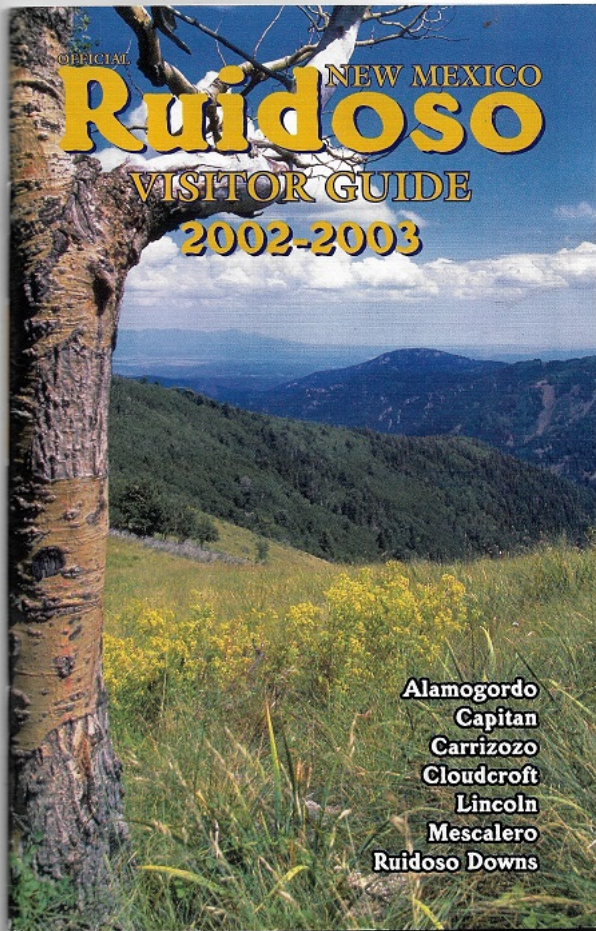


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Regional Map



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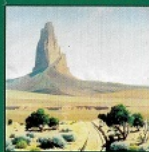
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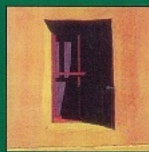
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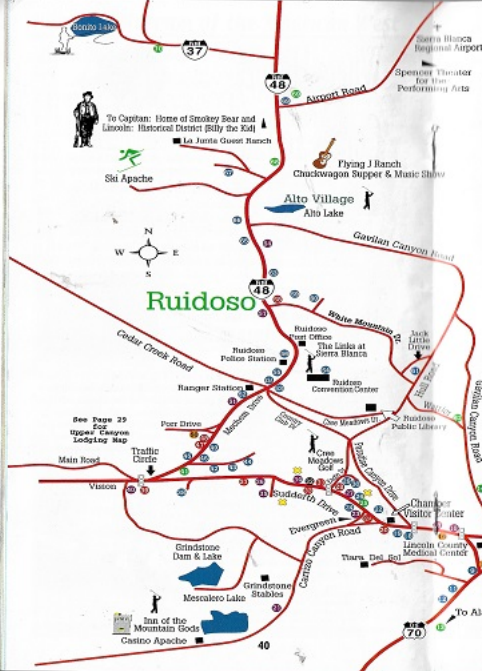


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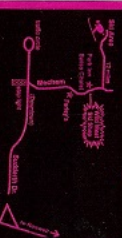


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- **GRINDSTONE LAKE:** Fishing is great at Grindstone Lake, located just minutes from midtown Ruidoso. See Ruidoso map on page 40.
- **ART GALLERIES:** There are many art galleries and artists in Lincoln County. Visit Benson Fine Art and Hard La Rincónada Gallery in the Hondo Valley, east of Ruidoso towards Roswell. Beautiful paintings can be found at Mountain Arts Gallery, located in Midtown Ruidoso, and visit The Foundry at Crucis Art Bronze, across from the public pool on Suddeth Dr. in Ruidoso.
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- **RUIDOSO WINTER PARK:** Tubing and sledding area with Kidz Korral, giant tubes, cable tows, tub rentals, and snack bar. Located 1.4 mile

- up Ski Run Road. For more information, call 336-7079.
- **PANORAMA MINIATURE GOLF:** A tradition since 1954, come play miniature golf under towering spruce trees on the Ruidoso River. 206 Eagle Dr. at Midtown. 505-257-7164.
- **KIDS CONNECTION:** Kids Connection was built in September, 2001, by volunteers from Lincoln County and surrounding communities. Bring your kids to play at a spacious playground that was designed by kids. Located behind the schools on Hull Rd. and White Mountain Dr.



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- **WHITE SANDS NATIONAL MONUMENT:** One of the world's great natural wonders, see the world's largest gypsum dune field that covers 275 square miles. From

- the Visitor Center, take an eight-mile scenic drive to picnic, play and learn about the natural history of the park. 15 miles west of Alamogordo on Hwy. 70/82. Call 505-479-6124.
- **PISTACHIO TREE RANCH:** North of Alamogordo on HWY 70, Pistachio Tree Ranch is home to McGinn's Country Store and San Tomas Vineyards. Stroll through 70 acres of pistachio trees, and 10 acres of wine grapes. The store offers samples of their southwestern flavored pistachios and wine tastings of their excellent New Mexico wines.
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- **TRINITY SITE:** Trinity Site is where the first atomic bomb was tested on July 16, 1945. In 1975, the 51,500 acre area was declared a National Historic Landmark. The landmark includes base camp, ground zero, and the McDonald ranch house where the plutonium core to the bomb was assembled. This site is open the first Saturday in April & the first Saturday in October. There is no charge for the tour and no reservations are necessary. For tour information, call 1-800-826-0294 or 505-437-6120.

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• **WHITE OAKS GHOST TOWN:** Three miles north of Carrizozo, see the historic buildings of this boomtown of the 1880s.

• **MY HOUSE OF OLD THINGS:** This museum, housed in the old Ancho Depot, contains nine rooms of Indian artifacts, antiques, old pictures, etc. Step back in time and experience the bedroom, dining room, parlor, kitchen, and the old depot office much like it used to be.

• **HOYLE HOUSE:** Large Victorian home built by Matthew Hoyle 1893 for his bride-to-be. However, she wouldn't come west and broke his heart. Owned by Larue Wetzel, this home is listed in the National Historic Register.

CAPTAIN LINCOLN

• **SMOKEY BEAR HISTORICAL PARK & MUSEUM:** Kids love the

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• **BILLY THE KID COUNTRY:** Visit the historic town of Lincoln with 11 state monuments, including 4 museums.

MESCALERO

• **INN OF THE MOUNTAIN GODS:** Drive out Carrizo Canyon Road to see this beautiful inn. Enjoy canoeing, fishing, gambling and other activities at the Inn.

• **APACHE CULTURAL CENTER:** Located in Mescalero, this center features photo exhibits, basketry and clothing of the three Apaches of this area.

• **CASINO APACHE:** One of the areas more popular attractions, located at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.



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Alamogordo

Alameda Park Zoo is the oldest zoo in the Southwest and home to over 300 mammals and birds from around the world. This seven acre zoo was established in 1898.

Toy Train Depot displays over 1200 feet of model railroad track in the 90-year-old train depot, bringing back memories of life as it was in the steam era. Plus, ride the miniature train along the 2.5 mile track around Alameda Park.

Oliver Lee Memorial State Park, the site of an early American Apache stronghold, is located 10 miles south of Alamogordo. Southern New Mexico rancher Oliver Milton Lee was an influential New Mexico State Legislator.



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Capitan/Home of Smokey Bear

Smokey Bear Historical Park
Visitors may take a self-guided tour of exhibits depicting the history of forest fire prevention including articles and photos of the Capitan Gap fire where Smokey Bear was found.

Computer games also demonstrate fire prevention methods. A documentary film on Smokey is featured in the Park theater.

The surrounding Park areas features the site of Smokey's grave as well as exhibits of native plants grouped to depict six vegetative life zones found in New Mexico.

During the school year the Park hosts many school groups offering formal "Education Day Programs" for 4th through 6th grade classes. Schools from all over New Mexico take field trips to the Park with the staff providing special programs and study guides.

Smokey Bear Historical Park
P. O. Box 591
118 Smokey Bear Blvd.
Capitan, NM 88316



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Smokey Bear Museum/Gift Shop

Located on the grounds of the Park is a log cabin building constructed by volunteers as a tribute to Smokey Bear. The project was started by the local Women's Club in the late 50's and eventually donated to the Village of Capitan which now operates the Museum. The Museum contains exhibits and memorabilia of Smokey Bear as his legend developed over the years. Appropriate souvenirs and gifts are available in the Gift Shop. 102 Smokey Bear Blvd. (505) 354-2298.

BINGO!

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WILDLAND FIREFIGHTER MUSEUM

Located on Smokey Bear Blvd., this museum houses firefighting tools and equipment, actual fire pictures, videos, and a display of crew and fire shirts from across the nation. Descriptions are provided and materials are on hand for wildland fire prevention education. Open April 1 - October 30, from 9am - 6 pm. Free Admission. Check out our web site at www.smokeybear-shop.com

Capitan/Home of Smokey Bear

Smokey Bear

Capitan, New Mexico is the birthplace of Smokey Bear, the living symbol for forest fire prevention. In the aftermath of a disastrous fire in the Capitan Mountains, Smokey was found on May 9, 1950, clinging to the trunk of a burned tree.



The idea of Smokey Bear was conceived in 1944 and realized in 1945. The United States Forest Service felt a national symbol was needed to aid in a forest fire prevention campaign and decided to use a bear. That campaign for safety in the forest was well under way when the two-and-a-half month old, five-pound black bear cub was found. He was

badly burned and the rangers who found him thought it quite natural to call him "Smokey".

Shortly after he was found and on his way back to health, plans began to form which led to Smokey being taken to the National Zoo in Washington, D.C. There, in June, 1950, he became the living symbol of the already well-known fire preventing Smokey Bear.

When Smokey grew old and plans were being made for his retirement, the people of Capitan wanted their bear returned to his hometown. United States Congressman Harold Runnels listened to their requests and introduced a bill advocating the return of Smokey Bear to Capitan.

Thanks to the Congressman's concern, on Smokey's death in November, 1976, his body was returned to Capitan and buried at Smokey Bear Historical Park.

Today, Smokey Bear is honored at the park which bears his name, The Smokey Bear Historical Park.



CAPITAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Birthingplace of Smokey Bear and his burial site

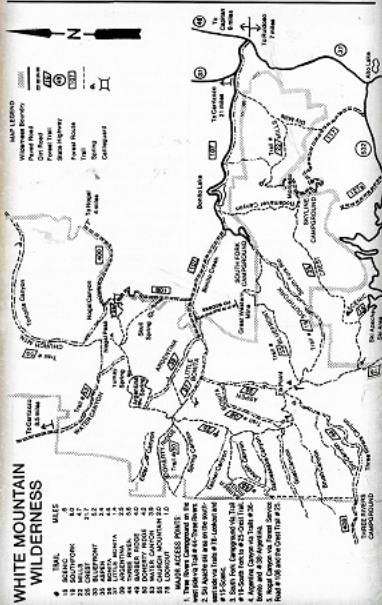
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White Mountain Wilderness



Fishing/Hiking/Hunting

Fishing

A variety of fishing opportunities exists in the beautiful Ruidoso area. State and Federal fishing waters include Aho Lake, Bonito Lake, Carrizo Creek, Eagle Creek, Grindstone Lake, Rio Ruidoso, and Tularosa Creek. The Mescalero Reservation Fishing Waters include Mescalero Lake, Eagle Lake, Rio Ruidoso, and Silver Lake. Permits are available at these locations. Seeping Springs Trout Lakes, located on HWY 70 East, is a spring fed trout pond and is privately owned. New Mexico fishing licenses are not required. For more information on fishing regulations and licenses, visit Western Auto at 400 Mechem in Ruidoso, or Fly's Etc. in Midtown Ruidoso.

Hiking

Almost all of the system trails are easily negotiated by hikers and back

packers as well as horse riders. Most of the trails tie into the crest Trail #25 which runs southwest from Monjeau Lookout to Ski Apache ski area and then north to Nogal Canyon.

If coming from appreciably lower altitudes, you should allow a day or two for acclimation before attempting any strenuous hikes with packs. Check in at the Smokey Bear Ranger Station in Ruidoso and get information on fire and smoking restrictions. For more information call 505-257-4095.

Hunting

The Lincoln National Forest which surrounds Ruidoso offers more than one million acres of enjoyment. Big game hunting opportunities abound. Deer, elk, bear and turkey are the most sought after game.



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Day Trips

Day Trip 1
Hondo Valley, Lincoln, Capitán,
Carrizozo, White Oaks, Valley of Fires

By Doyle Walker

Traveling east from Ruidoso on Hwy 70, the beautiful Hondo Valley provides visitors with a scenic drive through a peaceful, pastoral valley. Fruit stands along the highway are stocked with country grown fruits in season. At Hwy 380, head northwest to Lincoln. In Lincoln, the main street consists of old buildings directly related to the Lincoln County Wars and the legendary outlaw, Billy the Kid. Take a stroll down the main street and see the Tunstall Museum, a general store furnished in period, the 1887 Mission of San Juan, the home of Dr. Earl Woods, the Lincoln County Courthouse, and don't miss the Visitor's Center and Museum of Historic Lincoln. Call 1-800-263-9299 or 505-378-4142 for tour info. Capitán, Like Lincoln, is located in Lincoln National Forest where the bear cub who came to be known as Smokey, was found clinging to a tree after a forest fire in Capitán area. Smokey Bear Historical Park has a visitor center dedicated to the education of forest fire prevention and is also the site of the tomb of Smokey Bear. Phone: (505) 354-2748. Carrizozo is located at the junction of US Hwy. 380 & 54. Several old homes built between 1908 & 1925 by Frank English still stand in Carrizozo. The Sierra Blanca Brewery, New Mexico's award winning micro-brewery, located at 505 12th St., produces many selections of beer that are distributed throughout the state. Free tours and tastings. Mon - Fri, Call (505) 648-6606. North on US Hwy. 54 to White Oaks, once a gold mining town in the late 1800s. Ground tours of the Old School House Museum and cemetery may be arranged. (505) 648-2521. Also visit "My House of Old Things" a museum located in the Old Ancho Depot, 20 miles north on Hwy 54. You will find nine rooms full of Indian artifacts, antiques, old pictures, etc. The Valley of Fires Recreation Area is located 4 miles West of

Carrizozo. The youngest lava flow in the state is referred to as Malpais, translated as bad lands. There are nature trails and camping. (505) 648-2211.

Day Trip 2
Mescalero, Tularosa, Three Rivers,
Petroglyph Site, Eagle Ranch, Pinaloch Grove

Mescalero, west of Ruidoso, is the heart of the Mescalero Apache Indian Reservation. The Mescalero Fish Hatchery, 8 miles from Ruidoso, was established in 1905. The hatchery supplies game fish to Native American waterways, and has displays of fish & culture info. (505) 671-1401. The Mescalero Cultural Center has exhibits of books, clothing and photographs from the Apache culture. (505) 671-4494, ext. 254. Round Mountain can be seen on the south side of Hwy 70 coming out of the Sacramento Mountains. The cross on top of Round Mountain was placed there by Tularosa villagers in remembrance of those who fought at the battle of Round Mountain in 1868. The Tularosa Museum has artifacts and historical accounts of those who lived in the Tularosa area. For tours call: (505) 585-2057. The Tularosa Vineyards, approximately 2 miles North of Tularosa, grow several varieties of grapes from which they make their wines, including the Mission grape brought to the area by the original settlers. Tours, tastings and sales. (505) 585-2260, 1-800-687-4467. Three Rivers Petroglyph Site is about 21 miles North of Tularosa on Hwy. 54. A trail beginning at the visitor's shelter winds through piles of rocks decorated with thousands of drawings carved in the rocks by the Jornada Mogollon Indians as far back as 1,000 years ago. There is also an ancient dwelling site and a picnic and camping area. (505) 524-4300. Eagle Ranch Pottery Shop and Visitor Center, approximately 5 1/2 miles south of Tularosa, has a gift shop featuring pottery, chaco products, handmade treats, local crafts and unique southwestern gifts. Visit the Art Gallery, Coffee shop, and ask about tours. (505) 434-0035.

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Day Trips

Day Trip 3
Alamogordo, Pinaloch Grove Ranch, Oliver Lee Memorial
State Park, White Sands National Monument

Alamogordo was established in 1899 as a railroad town, and the proximity of Holloman Air Force Base has caused the town to grow substantially. North of Alamogordo on HWY 70, Pinaloch Tree Ranch is home to McGinn's Country store and San Tomas Vineyards. Take a stroll through 70 acres of pistachio trees and 10 acres of wine grapes. The store offers Southwestern flavored pistachios, gourmet foods, gifts, souvenirs, and an ice cream bar. Besides sampling their delicious pistachios, ask for tastings of their San Tomas wines made from grapes grown on their farm. (505) 437-6602. The NM Museum of Space History in Alamogordo includes the International Space Hall of Fame, Museum, Space Air & Space Park, Astronaut Memorial Garden, and the Tonibough IMAX Dome Theater & Planetarium. Displays relate to mankind's exploration of space and experimentation in the field of rocket science. (505) 437-2840 or 1-877-333-6589. The Toy Train Depot, on White Sands Blvd., features rides on miniature trains through the park, and a model train display. (505) 437-2855. The Tularosa Basin Historical Society Museum, located next to the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce, contains many historical items of the area. (505) 434-4438. Alamogordo Zoo, established in 1898 with a small collection of animals, is now home to 300 species of animals and has a picnic area and playground for children. (505) 439-4290. Oliver Lee Memorial State Park is located 12 miles South of Alamogordo, against the base of the Sacramento Mountains. Oliver Lee came to the Tularosa Basin in 1885. His ranch house at Dog Canyon was restored and authentically furnished in 1987. The ruins of Frenchy's Cabin, where Francisco-Juan "Frank" Rochas lived, and was shot to death in 1884, is located east of the parking lot. (505) 437-8234 for info, on ranch house tours. White Sands National Monument, 15 miles West of Alamogordo

contains the world's largest deposit of gypsum sand dunes. The visitor center has exhibits detailing the origin of the dunes. Summer activities include a Sunset Stroll, Nature Walk, Full Moon Nights and Lake Lucero Tours. (505) 479-6124.

Day Trip 4
Cloudcroft, Sunspot, Apache Point,
Tularosa, Treadle View, Treadle View

Located south of Ruidoso, Cloudcroft was settled in the late 1800s, when the Southern Pacific Railway ran a spur up the mountain from Alamogordo to transport lumber down the mountain. The downtown area includes many historic buildings. The Sacramento Mountain Historical Museum, on Hwy. 82, has many interesting relics of the pioneer days. (505) 682-2932. The Lodge was originally built by railroad magnates in 1899 when Cloudcroft was a booming lumber town. The ghost of Rebecca, a pretty chambermaid who met her death at the hands of a jealous lover in one of the rooms at the Lodge, is said to inhabit the premises. Enjoy fine dining, golf and more at The Lodge. Phone: (505) 682-2566. Sunspot National Solar Observatory and Apache Point Observatory are located about 20 miles south of Cloudcroft. The site affords a fantastic view of the Tularosa Basin. A visitor center is open to the public and visitors may take the self-guided tour or guided tour. (505) 434-7000. Turn south off of Hwy. 650 onto Hwy. 537 (unpaved) to get to the beautiful community of Timberon. Here you will see tall Ponderosa Pines, Pines, and Alligator Junipers. The legends of the wild west live on here where Oliver Lee's elegant Circle Cross Ranch House still stands. The ranch is now privately owned. Treadle Vista, one mile west of Cloudcroft, offers a spectacular view of the west remains of Mexican Canyon. Treadle Vista is the ruins of the century Cloud Climbing railroad tracks. Further west on Hwy 83 is Tunnel Vista. A lookout point on the West side of the highway offers a view of the Tularosa Basin and the White Sands. The tunnel is the only natural rock tunnel formation in the state.

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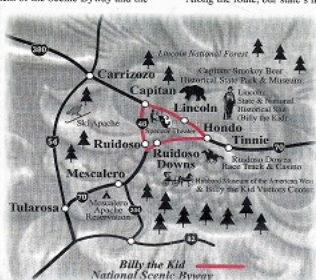
Billy The Kid Byways

In June of 1995, New Mexico's Billy the Kid National Scenic Byway was designated as a state scenic byway by the Federal Highway Administration. After an extensive application process, the Village of Ruidoso was awarded a federal grant, with the understanding that the scenic, historic, cultural, natural, recreational and archaeological integrity of the highway and the adjacent areas along the highway be protected. A committee was formed to oversee the development of the Scenic Byway and the

preservation of the areas it travels through.

The Billy the Kid National Scenic Byway routes through the Village of Ruidoso, to Ruidoso Downs and into the Hondo Valley. It passes by San Patricio and runs through the historic town of Lincoln. From Lincoln, it travels to Capitán, Home of Smokey Bear. The loop completes its circle back in Ruidoso. Historic Fort Stanton and the spectacular Spencer Theater is also found within the loop.

Along the route, our state's most



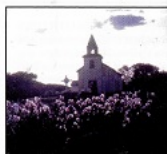
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Billy The Kid Byways

treasured American Indian, Hispanic and other cultural attractions can be found. Lincoln County has a rich history of being home to Billy the Kid, the Mescalero Apaches, Kit Carson, the Buffalo Soldiers, the World's Richest Quarter Horse Race (the All American Futurity), and Smokey Bear.

The Hondo Valley, along the Billy the Kid National Scenic Byway, is home to one of the world's most famous artistic families. Peter Hurd chose San Patricio, N.M. as a place to live and raise his family. Here he built his now famous polo fields and an exquisite little ranch. In recent years, the Hurd La Rinconada Gallery was developed to highlight his talent and the works of his creative family. The gallery houses works of Peter Hurd, his wife, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, daughter Carol and son Michael Hurd. In addition to originals and prints by the Hurd, paintings by the renowned Wyeth family can also be seen.

As a destination for tourists, Lincoln County hosts year 'round special events supplemented with seasonal attractions like summer horse racing and superior winter skiing. Attractions like the Hubbard Museum of the American West, The Spencer Theater for the



Chapel in Hondo Valley

Performing Arts, Historic Lincoln and two local casinos add to the area's appeal.

The byway's Billy the Kid Visitor's Center is located near the entrance of The Hubbard Museum of the American West on Highway 70. It is just a short walk from the massive outdoor monument "Free Spirits at Noisy Water" sculpted by Ruidoso artist, Dave McGary. The interpretive center provides educational literature, information and insights about the Billy the Kid National Scenic Byway route and the many cultural sites found along the way.

For more information:
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Attractions

Cloudcroft

CLOUDCROFT: 45 scenic minutes from Ruidoso via Hwy. 244 through the Mesquero Apache Reservation. You'll enjoy this quaint and beautiful mountain village.

THE LODGE AT CLOUDCROFT: Enveloped by an age-old mystique, it stands gracefully atop the Sacramento Mountains calling to all who will listen. From its unique golf course to the unearthly presence that haunts its halls, The Lodge is a retreat unlike any other. Stay the night, enjoy fine dining, or golf at our scenic mountain course. Call 866-595-6343 for more information.

SNOW CANYON: two miles east of Cloudcroft on Hwy. 82. Snowmobiling, cross country and alpine skiing, and intertubing.

GOLF COURSE: On a course that hints of the Scottish highlands, you can almost hear the faint cry of a kelpie bugler. Governed by the Scottish tradition of play, The Lodge Golf Course in Cloudcroft beckons you to play it twice. It is an unexpected twist in the game of golf, and it is just part of the lure surrounding a place imbued with a vivid past.

SUNSPOT: near Cloudcroft, the drive alone is spectacular. Largest observatory in the world. Tours available. 505-434-7000.

TIMBERON: Located in a beautiful valley surrounded by the Sacramento mountains. Oliver Lee's Circle Cross Ranch House still stands. See the Lodge built during wild west days by Judge Moss. Golf one of the finest mountain courses with its 6 lakes. Ride horses, hike, or fish Timberon Lake.

Capitan

SMOKEY BEAR HISTORICAL PARK: in Capitan. Smokey was found in the mountains near here and the park depicts the history of this famous bear.

SMOKEY BEAR MUSEUM/GIFT SHOP: Located on the grounds of the Park is a log cabin building constructed by volunteers as a tribute to Smokey Bear. The project was started by the local Women's Club in the late 50's and eventually donated to the Village of Capitan which now operates the Museum. The Museum contains exhibits and memorabilia of Smokey Bear as his legend developed over the years. Appropriate souvenirs and gifts are available in the Gift Shop. 102 Smokey Bear Blvd. (505) 354-2298.



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Attractions

WILDLAND FIREFIGHTER

MUSEUM: Located on Smokey Bear Blvd., this museum houses firefighting tools and equipment, actual fire pictures, videos, and a display of crew and fire shirts from across the nations. Descriptions are provided and materials are on hand for wildland fire prevention education. Open April 1 - October 30, from 9am - 6 pm. Free Admission. Check out our web site at www.smokeybear-shop.com

Carrizozo

GRAN QUIVERA NATIONAL MONUMENT: one of three former Indian dwellings suddenly vacated in early 1600s. Turn off Hwy. 54, 18 mi north of Carrizozo, approximately 45 min. from turnoff.

SIERRA BLANCA BREWING COMPANY: New Mexico's largest award winning Micro Brewery. Free tours and tastings. Monday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm. Call 505-648-6606.

INDIAN PETROGLYPHS: south of Carrizozo near the Three Rivers turnoff. Rock carvings made by the Jornada Tribe of the Mogollon Indians between 900 and 1300 AD. A walking trail is provided for you to view many of the 500 petroglyphs.

VALLEY OF FIRES RECREATION AREA: Volcanic lava flows with nature trails constructed over unique lava formations. Four miles west of Carrizozo.

WHITE OAKS:

north of Carrizozo. This once thriving mining center is now a ghost town. Two large old homes are still occupied. A museum has relics of White Oaks' past. Visit White Oaks School. Open for tours. For information, call 505/648-2346.

MY HOUSE OF OLD THINGS:

Museum is located north of Carrizozo, housed in the Old Ancho Depot. Nine rooms full of Indian artifacts, antiques, old pictures, etc. See bedroom, dining room, parlor, kitchen. Old depot office much like it used to be. You will truly find yourself stepping back in time.

HOYLE HOUSE: Large Victorian home built by Matthew Hoyle in 1893 for his bride-to-be. However, she wouldn't come west and broke his heart. Owned by Larue Wetzel, this home is listed in the National Historic Register.



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Attractions

Alamogordo

WHITE SANDS NATIONAL MONUMENT: 15 miles from Alamogordo. A tour of these sprawling white sands will leave you awestruck. Picnicking and playing on the sand dunes make an enjoyable way to spend a day.

NM MUSEUM OF SPACE HISTORY: International Space Hall of Fame and Clyde W. Tombaugh IMAX Dome Theater and Planetarium; open daily 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. View outstanding collection of exhibits depicting the living history of man's attempts to conquer space. The IMAX Dome Theater is known for spectacular visual experiences via the theater's 2,700 sq. ft. screen.

ALAMEDA PARK ZOO: established in 1898, this seven-acre zoo is home to hundreds of mammals and birds from around the world.

TOY TRAIN DEPOT: more than 1,200 feet of model railroad track bring back memories of life as it was in the steam era. Ride a real train around the park.

LA LUZ: oldest settlement in the Tularosa Basin founded in 1705 by the Spanish. La Luz is now a quiet plaza surrounded by old adobe buildings.

OLIVER LEE MEMORIAL STATE PARK: offers picnicking and camping facilities with showers at beautiful Dog Canyon. The box canyon hides a lush green oasis along a sparkling stream. Offers guided tours of the restored Oliver Lee Ranchhouse.

Ruidoso/Ruidoso Downs

OLD MILL: located on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso. An old grist mill built in 1853, called Dowling's Mill. It once housed a post office and a roadhouse where visitors included Black Jack Pershing and Billy the Kid. The Rio Ruidoso powered the mill.

HUBBARD MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN WEST: located in Ruidoso Downs just East of Ruidoso Downs Racetrack, this museum celebrates the rich heritage of the horse with a fabulous collection of more than 10,000 horse-related items. One of the world's largest equine sculptures, by artist Dave McGary, graces the entrance.



SLEEPING SPRINGS TROUT LAKE: you can catch a fish without a license. Paddleboats for the kids. Call 505-378-4216.

FLYING J RANCH CHUCKWAGON SUPPERS & WESTERN SHOW: Nightly except Sunday. Memorial Weekend through Labor Day. Ranch style meal followed by a fast-paced stage show featuring the Flying J Wranglers. Shootout each evening in the western village. Pony rides for small children.

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Attractions

MONJEAU LOOKOUT: about a mile up Ski Run Road. Monjeau Lookout was a wooden tower when it was built by the CCC in the late '30s. Now a solid rock structure used by the Forest Service as a lookout. Visitors can climb to the 10,356 elevation for a spectacular view.

SKI APACHE: Largest lift capacity in New Mexico featuring 11 lifts to access fifty-five trails, plus tree & glade skiing. 1,900' of vertical drop and average annual snowfall of more than 15 feet. Open Thanksgiving through Easter.

BONITO LAKE: turn off Hwy. 37 north. This man-made lake covers what was once Bonito City. The lake is a favorite fishing spot during the fishing season.

McGARY STUDIOS/EXPRESSIONS IN BRONZE GALLERY: 2002 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso. Visit Dave McGary's 14,000 square foot Finishing Studio and Gallery. Panoramic windows allow visitors to view the stages of the finishing process first hand. Expressions in Bronze Gallery showcases the largest collection of McGary Images in bronze in the country. 505/257-3790.

RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK: New Mexico's first pari-mutuel race track, features live racing four days a



week—Thursday through Sunday. Racing in the cool mountains is a summer fixture as thousands and thousands of fans stream up from the west Texas plains to escape the heat, enjoy the scenic beauty and go to the races that have been ongoing the past half a century at the "Downs".

BILLY THE KID CASINO: Houses 300 slot machines, a full off-track betting venue and a first class buffet. It is themed after one of Lincoln County's most famous characters: Billy The Kid. Let "The Kid" In You Play!

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HONDO VALLEY: On Hwy. 70, east of Ruidoso, is a peaceful valley filled with horse ranches, sheep operations, apple orchards and fruit stands that offer apples, cider and chili ristras. In San Patricio, visit the Hunt La Rincónada Gallery that features the finest collection of original works in the southwest by five legendary family artists from three generations. Benson Fine Art specializes in original art by early and contemporary Southwest artists, photographs, jewelry, artifacts, antiques and other historical pieces.

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Regional Map



Mileage to Ruidoso

Ahlsville, TX	397	Houston, TX	750
Alamogordo, NM	46	Lubbock, TX	220
Albuquerque, NM	191	Midland/Odessa, TX	508
Austin, TX	600	Phoenix, AZ	477
Carlsbad/Ceres, NM	170	Roswell, NM	75
Cloudcroft, NM	47	San Antonio, TX	551
Dallas, TX	558	Santa Fe, NM	204
El Paso, TX	124	White Sands, NM	60

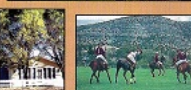
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HURD-LA RINCONADA

Gallery and Guest Homes



Five Artists
Three Generations
Wyeth and Hurd
Family Artwork
Originals and Prints



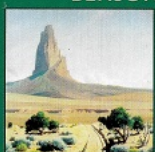
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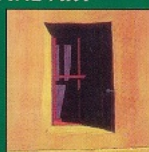


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