

Alternative Ways to Get Wet in Arizona

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When summer temperatures reach extreme highs in Arizona there is only one way to escape the heat, by getting wet. Instead of overusing your pool cooler, check out these alternative ways to get wet.



Jet Skiing at Lake Pleasant

Got the need for speed? Blast through waves of Lake Pleasant on a jet ski. Located 35 miles from Downtown Phoenix, Lake Pleasant is the largest lake in the Phoenix and Scottsdale area. Arizona Outdoor Fun offers a full-day rental for \$460 and a half-day rental for \$350. They also provide a drop-off and pick-up service for rented equipment from any location and free protective apparel with each rental.

<http://www.arizonaoutdoorfun.com/jetski.html>



Salt River Tubing

Work on your tan as you drift through the calm waters of Salt River on an inner tube. Salt River Tubing in Mesa can provide you with everything you will need to embark on your float. Once your trip comes to an end, a shuttle bus will pick you up and take you back to your car. The price to float is \$17 per person, which includes parking, an inner-tube rental and shuttle bus pick up.

<http://www.saltrivertubing.com>

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Slide Rock in Sedona

Head north to enchanting Sedona and visit one of Arizona's most famous swimming holes—Slide Rock. Enjoy waterslides created by Mother Nature herself, red rock beaches and green glassy waters. Slide Rock is open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. The entrance fee is \$20 per vehicle Monday through Thursday and \$30 per vehicle Friday through Sunday.

<http://azstateparks.com/Parks/SLRO/>



Havasupai Falls

Havasupai Falls, a hiker's paradise hidden in the Grand Canyon, is home to the Blue Green waterfalls of Havasupai. If you live for thrills, Havasupai Falls is also a popular spot for cliff diving. However, reaching this paradise is not easy; it is recommended to make reservations months in advance and the 10-mile hike to reach the stunning waterfalls is no walk in the park.

<http://grandcanyon.com/planning/south-rim-planning-planning/havasupai-falls-arizona/>



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Rent a Houseboat on Lake Powell

Breathtaking Lake Powell is located in northern Arizona and stretches up into southern Utah. With almost 2,000 miles of shoreline, spectacular views and endless sunshine, there is always an adventure to plan and memories to be made. Rent a houseboat to enjoy everything the lake's 70 to 80 degree water has to offer—including swimming, water skiing, jet skiing, fishing and more.

<http://www.houseboating.org/Lake-Powell-Houseboats-for-Rent>



Stand-Up Paddle Boarding on Lower Salt River

Spot wild horses and take in the incredible scenery of Lower Salt River on a stand-up paddle board. The gentle waters of Lower Salt River allow for novice and expert paddle boarders to embark on this adventure. Guided tours start at \$140 per person.

<https://aoa-adventures.com/stand-up-paddle-board/>