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Have to stay in town this summer but can't shake the daydreams of a warm vacation? No need to fret – Arizona has vacations suited for different personality types.

Whatever your idea of an ultimate summer escape may be, <u>SummerinAZ.com</u> has plenty of ideas. From sightseers and adventure seekers to those just looking for some good ol' fashioned family fun, you're sure to find trip itineraries that appeal to you. Best of all, you don't have to travel very far to experience them.

The Arizona Office of Tourism recently launched its Summer in AZ Campaign, which can help you turn your daydreams into reality with trip ideas, activities and even the chance to win your own Arizona adventure.

Check out the five types of getaways below to help you start planning:

#### See the sights:

Are you looking to explore the state and see some of Arizona's most iconic destinations? Download the <u>sightseeing</u> itinerary on SummerinAZ.com for recommendations on where to see panoramic vistas, explore rich Wild West history or get a new perspective on well-known Arizona landmarks. For example, travelers may have had the opportunity to visit the Grand Canyon, but have never seen it from the Hualapai Tribe's Skyway – a glass-bottomed, horseshoe-shaped overpass suspended 4,000 feet over the western end of the iconic landmark.

## Escape the heat:

With an abundance of warm sunny days, residents are sure to need a cooler getaway. If you love relaxing next to the water but don't want to head too far out of town, one of the state's many lakes, rivers, waterparks, or pools can provide a cool retreat. Play in the water or soak up some rays at Lake Powell or one of the Chain Lakes just east of Phoenix. Be sure to check out the <u>water wonders</u> itinerary for more ideas on how to keep cool during the warmer months.

# Get adventurous:

Thrill seekers and outdoor lovers alike know Arizona is an ideal playground for experiencing exciting new adventures. If adrenaline-pumping excursions are on your wish list, visit Tonto Natural Bridge near Payson and take in the scenic views, scale the rocks or explore one of the canyon areas nearby. The <u>outdoor adventures</u> guide is chock full of heart-racing activities to help make sure your summer never has a dull moment.

### Family-friendly fun:

Arizona offers fun activities for all ages so pack up the family, head to one of our family-fun destinations and create memories that are sure to last. Retrace the steps of infamous Wild West characters in Tombstone or explore the world's largest stalactite formation in Kartchner Caverns State Park. The <u>family fun</u> itinerary has plenty of ideas that will keep the whole family entertained.

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#### **Luxury for Less:**

Ready to vacation, but not ready to leave the sophistication of city living behind? Take a look at our <u>urban escapes</u> guide featuring plenty of chic destinations, upscale activities and culinary creations, like wine tasting at the award-winning wineries in Cottonwood or taking in the art and music scene in Jerome.

Summer is short, start planning your getaway today. To download the itineraries or get more ideas for summer fun, visit summerinaz.com.