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Lavish, big-name resorts are always a treat, but what about when you want a romantic and unique weekend away from the kids without a long road trip or flight? Tucson is packed with quaint and luxurious bed and breakfasts, making it a perfect getaway treat without all the travel time and high resort prices.



Here are a few of our favorites to choose from:

Hacienda Del Desierto

Located in the foothills of the Rincon Mountains next to Saguaro National Park, Hacienda Del Desierto offers guests an unmatched desert setting and Old Mexico architecture all in one. Built around an interior courtyard and surrounded by thriving plantlife, Hacienda Del Desierto is the perfect desert getaway. Innkeepers David and Rosemary are the perfect host and hostess, as they both grew up in Tucson and share a love of sightseeing, regional history and the desert. www.tucson-bed-breakfast.com/inn.html.

Sam Hughes Inn Bed and Breakfast

Located just east of the University of Arizona, Sam Hughes Inn Bed and Breakfast was built in the 1930's and is a beautiful Spanish-inspired home. Original oak floors, red-tiled roofing and Art Deco details abound at this charming B&B, along with conveniently located attractions like the U of A campus, Reid Park Zoo, Reid/Randolph Park, jogging paths, tennis courts, mountain ranges and hiking trails. Choose from various rooms like the Nogales, Santa Fe, Pima and Tombstone. www.samhughesinn.com.



El Presidio Bed & Breakfast

As the oldest functioning bed and breakfast in Tucson, El Presidio Bed & Breakfast may be ancient in years, but it hasn't lost its charisma. Located on Main Avenue in downtown Tucson and built back in 1886, this delightful B&B is full of Southwestern style mixed with Victorian charm and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Take your pick of the B&B's four guest rooms, all of which are filled with gorgeous antique furnishings, original art and fresh flowers. www.bbonline.com/az/elpresidio.

Adobe Rose Inn

Where else do you get to enjoy a three-course breakfast to start your day off right? The Adobe Rose Inn, originally built in 1933, takes fabulous care of its guests, as evident by the many awards it has won over the years like the Better Business Bureau Ethics Award in 2009, the Wells Fargo NAWBO Trailblazer Award and the Top Five Romantic Inns in the West in 2007 by Bedandbreakfast.com. Can't make it for a visit anytime soon? Order up the Adobe Rose Inn's beloved scone mix at www.aroseinn.com. www.aroseinn.com.



Casa Tierra

The Old Mexican, hacienda-style home of Dave Malmquist is warm and rustic, making it a perfect B&B locale. Adobe reigns supreme at this home, with over 50 archways and vaulted brick ceiling entryways. Choose from three fully decorated rooms and relax in the two landscaped courtyards. Upon your arrival, you'll receive a welcome basket of fruits, snacks, iced tea and chocolate and of course, a full gourmet breakfast is served each day in the main dining room. www.casatierratucson.com.