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Rachel Roland is a mom on a mission - exploring beautiful Arizona (and beyond!) with her two little companions, Jeremiah and Sarah, in search of the best restaurants, attractions, and products for you and your children. See what she has in store for your family today!



Let me tell you - the Pointe Hilton Squaw Peak is a great place to visit for your family-friendly vacation or staycation this summer! Jeremiah and Sarah loved the lazy river, the two large pools (with waterfalls!), the waterslide, and the baby pool. There were also fun pools scattered throughout the resort grounds, so you could swim even after the River Ranch closes at 8pm. (Chances are, though, you'll be tuckered out by then, and so will the kids!)

Besides the amazing two bedroom casita accommodations, there are so many other things to love about the Pointe Hilton Squaw Peak!



First, there are two restaurants on site - Rico's American Grill and Hole-in-the-Wall. We decided to visit Hole-in-the-Wall for breakfast before we headed to the River Ranch, and we enjoyed our food. I'm not sure why Jeremiah always has to make silly faces...but he does! He and Sarah split the children's pancake breakfast, and it was plenty for both of them. (They were kind to bring an additional side of fruit instead of splitting one order - much appreciated!) They also have room service as well as pool-side dining and drinks at Slim Pickin's.

I also love the spa - not just because it's a spa (I didn't have the opportunity to visit) - but because there are all kinds of <u>kid-friendly services!</u> I haven't seen a spa menu with items for kiddos - like a naptime massage, ice cream manicure, and my favorite - the Mommy and Me package for a mother/child pedicure. F-U-N!

In addition to being incredibly family focused and family friendly, the Pointe Hilton Squaw Peak is also dog-friendly. You do have to register your dog, though, but still - Rover can accompany you on your vacation, if you wish.



Our family had an amazing time making memories at the Pointe Hilton Squaw Peak for a weekend - and I'm sure your family will, too! We were exhausted but refreshed at the end of our time there.

My Recommendations:

Book the casita! It's so worth the extra space - from the bedrooms to the kitchen area - it feels like home away from home!

No need for bottled water - the water at the Pointe Hilton Squaw Peak must be filtered, because it tasted great out of the tap. That's so unusual (for Phoenix) and was a nice bonus not to have to worry about buying extra water!

SUNSCREEN! It should go without saying, but even I got burned because I missed a spot on my leg. Make sure you're reapplying every 90 minutes to 2 hours to prevent burns.

Keep an eye on your kiddos - even in the baby pool, and even on your teenagers.

Have fun!

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