

Valley's Best Pumpkin Patches

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Enjoy the best of autumn with the best pumpkin patches in the Valley.



Macdonald's Ranch, Scottsdale

Roll on over to Macdonald's Ranch until the end of this month for some show-stopping fun for the whole family. Pony rides, a petting zoo, and of course, mounds of pumpkins will be available. Admission \$8 (children 1 year and younger free) and is open 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Bring a can of food for the Desert Mission Food Bank, and get \$1 off your admission price! www.macdonaldsranch.com

Tolmachoff Farms, Glendale

Not only does this farm offer a wicked patch of pumpkins, but also a haunted corn maze planted over an old cemetery that is sure to keep you on your toes until well past Halloween. Admission \$8 (children 2 years and younger free) and is open Sunday-Thursday 9 a.m.-8 p.m. and Friday-Saturday 9 a.m.-11 p.m. www.tolmachoff-farms.com

Vertuccio Farms, Mesa

Conveniently located on Power Road between the US 60 and the 202 San Tan Freeway, Vertuccio Farms allows you to experience the country farm life without leaving the city. Venture through a 10-acre corn maze or simply pick up your precious pumpkin. Admission \$7 (4 years and younger free). Open Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday-Saturday 9 a.m.-10 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. www.vertucciofarms.com

Mother Nature's Farm, Gilbert

Whether you want a 1-ounce pumpkin or a 500-pound pumpkin, look no further than Mother Nature's Farm. Stocked with fresh pumpkins daily, this place is sure to get any Grinch ready for the holiday season. The farm entrance fee is \$7.00, which includes an OZ pumpkin, a decorating station, hayrides, and Alexander's Adventure Maze for children. Now opened through November 4th. www.mothernaturesfarm.com

Epiphany Lutheran Church, Chandler

Pour out the profits for this pumpkin patch. Over 3,000 pumpkins and gourds in all shapes and sizes will be plopped around the church's property for all your decorating needs. Prices start as low as 50 cents. Proceeds will benefit the Ray of Light Preschool. Additional donations will benefit Habitat for Humanity. Monday through Friday 12 p.m.-8 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. www.epiphanychandler.org

Schnepf Farms, Queen Creek

Only Schnepf Farms offer chili parties and pig races and pumpkin picking all in one place! You can also enjoy the farm's organic garden and orchard loaded with fresh fruit and vegetables for your holiday recipes. If the day of pumpkin and produce picking has you tired and hungry, relax amidst the farm at the Dinner Down The Orchard (reservations required). Admission \$15 (children 2 years and younger free). Thursday-Sunday 9 a.m.-4 p.m. www.schnepffarms.com