

GRAND CANYON REGION TRIPS



Living in the Southwest, we know you've seen the Grand Canyon. It is the region's trademark attraction, luring five million visitors a year. But even though you've seen this American icon a million times (admit it), you're secretly impressed by its wedding-cake layers and crazy depth every time you snap a visiting friend's picture from that famous viewpoint on the South Rim. Should you crave more than just another magical sunset photo, we've written 10 trips introducing you to this familiar attraction – and the surrounding region – from a different, more intimate angle. If you like solitude, try our Hiking the North Rim trip; those in search of spirits or art will explore the points of interest on Spirits of the South Rim and South Rim for Artists.

There's a heck of a lot more to the Grand Canyon region than a big hole in the ground. And from the pleasures of Sin City to the truth behind Utah's polygamist culture, we take you road tripping around the western tri-state area. The chapter opens with 48 hours of neon-drenched, outrageous, lose-your-inhibitions fun in America's zany adult funhouse, Las Vegas. Other regional explorations cover lazing on house boats, drinking beer and swimming in Lake Powell's clear turquoise water and getting impressed by red-rock arches and canyon country in Utah's national parks.

PLAYLIST

Set the mood driving to America's most iconic hole with this playlist. Not only does it include music about the Grand Canyon, it also gets you ready to party in Las Vegas and provides a soundtrack for driving through Utah's trippy crimson canyonlands and narrow arches.

- "Grand Canyon," Tracey Thorn
- "Paper Roses," Marie Osmond
- "Utah Carol," Marty Robbins
- "Luck Be a Lady Tonight," Frank Sinatra
- "Leaving Las Vegas," Sheryl Crow
- "Mr Brightside," The Killers
- "Heaven or Las Vegas," The Cocteau Twins
- "The Gambler," Kenny Rogers













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