



New Mexico Trips

NEW MEXICO IS CALLED THE LAND OF ENCHANTMENT for a reason, and you'll find out why as you drive through the Technicolor landscapes that inspired Georgia O'Keeffe, past traditional adobe villages tucked beneath the 13,000ft Sangre de Cristo range, and over juniper-speckled plains that seem to roll to infinity. You'll stop at old mud-brick *santuarios* filled with sacred folk art, visit ancient and living Indian pueblos, explore surreal underground caverns, and soak in hot springs. You'll travel what might be the oldest road in America and follow in the footsteps of Geronimo and Billy the Kid. And you're never far from great hiking and camping – or platters of local cuisine smothered in the state's signature green or red chile sauce.

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11**High & Low Roads to Taos 2–4 days**

Take the mountains up and the canyons down, looping between iconic destinations. (p137)

12**El Camino Real & Turquoise Trail 3–4 days**

Follow the 400-year-old Royal Road up the Rio Grande valley. (p147)

13**Georgia O'Keeffe Country 2–3 days**

Enter a world of vibrant color and raw elemental force. (p155)

14**Highway 4: Jemez Mountains 2 days**

Hot springs, hiking, ancient cave dwellings and the birthplace of 'The Bomb'. (p163)

15**Enchanted Circle & Eastern Sangres 2 days**

From high mountains to grassy prairies, with canyon hikes and haunted hotels. (p171)

16**Las Cruces to Carlsbad Caverns 2–3 days**

Pure white sand dunes and surreal caves dazzle the eye – and the mind. (p179)

17**Geronimo Trail 2–3 days**

Mountain roads twist past restored mining towns in Geronimo's old stomping grounds. (p187)

18**Into The Gila 2 days**

Cruise from high-tech telescopes into a wild range of elk, bear and mountain lions. (p195)

19**Highway 53 to Acoma 2 days**

Explore Indian pueblos and lava fields – and meet the wolves! (p203)

20**Billy the Kid Trail 2 days**

See where the Kid escaped, Smokey Bear was found and aliens (maybe) landed. (p211)

**DON'T MISS****Lincoln**

The entire town is a historical monument, including the courthouse from which Billy the Kid shot his way to freedom; on Trip **20**

Ghost Ranch

Hike, ride horseback, or take a van tour through the colorful terrain immortalized in the paintings of Georgia O'Keeffe, on Trip **13**

Santuario de Chimayó

This 1816 adobe church is home to miracle healings and is the site of the largest Catholic pilgrimage in the US. Find it on Trip **11**

Canyon Road

The heart of the Santa Fe art scene, with over 100 galleries plus fine dining and the oldest tavern in town (El Farol). Dive in on Trips **11** **12**

Indian Pueblos

Find some of the oldest continuously inhabited places in North America, rich in culture, on Trips

11 **15** **19**