



Red rocks around Sedona Courthouse Butte and Bell Rock (Trip 8)



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Mother Nature had some fun in the Southwest. Red rock canyons crack across ancient plateaus. Hoodoos cluster like conspirators on remote slopes. Whisper-light sand dunes shimmer on distant horizons. Wildflowers, saguaros and ponderosa pines add the artistic flourish, luring you in for a closer look.

The 32 road trips in this book swoop from scrubby deserts to the majestic Grand Canyon, linking to the sandstone charms of Utah and the artistic sparkle of New Mexico. Texas two-steps across the page with big skies, sugary beaches and Hill Country wildflowers while Colorado says howdy with million-dollar views. Vast open spaces are the jackpot in Nevada.

But it's not just about the scenery. Dinosaur tracks, spectacular caverns, Old West towns, kitschy attractions, BBQ joints and wine-tasting rooms add history, geology and, well, oomph. If you've only got time for one trip, make it one of our seven Classic Trips, which take you to the very best of the Southwest.

