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Fodor's Arizona & The Grand Canyon 2014 (Full-color Travel Guide)



Synopsis

Travelers continue to flock to Arizona to explore the outdoors and the state's three national parks, visit the outstanding museums and galleries, play golf, relax at world-class spa resorts, learn about Navajo and Hopi culture, eat Mexican food, and sample the tequila. **Expanded Coverage:** The 2014 edition features new easy-to-follow itineraries of the state, and expanded information on Route 66 attractions. There is also coverage of new restaurants and hotels in Phoenix, Scottsdale, and Tempe. **Illustrated Features:** Illustrated anchor features advise travelers on how to experience some of Arizona's top outdoor activities, from star-gazing to exploring canyons, deserts, mountains, flora, and fauna to the ultimate Grand Canyon adventure: rafting the Colorado River. "Top Attractions" and "Top Experiences" help travelers choose activities based on their interests. Spotlights highlight spas, Phoenix-area golf and cuisine, Scottsdale shopping, visiting Native American reservations, the Wild West, Tucson "south of the border" cuisine, and shopping in Tucson and Southern Arizona. **Indispensable Trip Planning Tools:** This book has a pull-out map covering the whole state as well as Phoenix and the Grand Canyon in more detail. Restaurant and hotel "Best Bets" sections plus "Dining and Lodging" atlases in Phoenix and Tucson make locating your hotel or next meal simple. A "Top Picks" chart for Grand Canyon hiking trails helps you choose a hike based on length, grade, trail conditions, time of year, and level of difficulty. **Discerning Recommendations:** Fodor's Arizona & the Grand Canyon offers savvy advice and recommendations from local writers to help travelers make the most of their time. Fodor's Choice designates our best picks, from hotels to nightlife. "Word of Mouth" quotes from fellow travelers provide valuable insights. **ABOUT FODOR'S AUTHORS:** Each Fodor's Travel Guide is researched and written by local experts.

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An easy pack into the bags to Phoenix. Pull out map was great on the drive to and into the Grand Canyon. Restaurant recommendations were true and fair. Matts Big Breakfast pancake was thumbs up. The Apache trail was something I would not have done without the book and was the highlight of out short trip. I can say the trip wouldn't have been nearly as good without the Fodor's!

This is an okay guide to Arizona & the Grand Canyon. It covers the basics and gives a good sense

of the area. My biggest complaint is in the Grand Canyon section. Under "Tips for Avoiding Grand Canyon Crowds" (p.157) the first thing listed is "to bypass Grand Canyon National Park altogether". The book suggests visiting the area west of GCNP in the tribal lands owned by the Hualapai & Havasupai. While I appreciate the thought skipping the park is not a suggestion to avoiding crowds at the park. That's like saying "Wanna avoid the line at Disneyland for Pirates of the Caribbean? Don't ride it". It's not advice and I expect more from a Fodor's book. I also will be doing much more research into Phoenix. I don't feel like the book covered it enough, though I did learn why the city was named Phoenix . . .

Since we haven't been to the Grand Canyon yet, we can't rate the usefulness of the information. However, the photos are wonderful--will be very helpful in selecting side trips. The text also appears helpful, along with maps and other "getting there" information. This book was purchased as a gift, and the recipient was delighted--since she is a connoisseur of travel books, I feel I have chosen well!

Traveled Arizona and this book really helped and gave accurate info on dining and lodging. Thank You.

I really enjoyed reading and using this book. I have used Fodor's travel books many times and they have always been very helpful.

Good enough for us in every respect. The maps on kindle could be better.

Useful for maps and info. The book did not keep my attention very well.

Good, comprehensive guide for exploring Arizona. We found it very helpful on our vacation there.

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