

DIRECTIONS, LODGING, & AREA ATTRACTIONS

Travel Logistics: Phoenix's Sky Harbor Airport is the nearest large airport, about 100 miles south of Prescott. Plan to make shuttle arrangements coinciding with airline arrival and departure. Shuttle vans run several times daily between various locations in Prescott and Sky Harbor Airport (see below). Travel to and from the airport and Prescott is approximately 2 hours.

Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport is a smaller airport in the Phoenix area which houses Allegiant, Spirit, and Frontier Airlines. There are no direct shuttles between Prescott and this airport, but students can take a shuttle between Sky Harbor and Gateway ([Phoenix Gateway Direct](#) or 855-982-2555). The shuttle between airports takes about 45 minutes.

There is also a small airfield near Prescott, [Earnest A. Love Field](#), with direct flights to Los Angeles International Airport and Denver International Airport on Great Lakes Airlines.

Shuttle Service: *(Ask for a Prescott College discount, curbside pickup/delivery options may be extra)*
[Arizona Shuttle \(formerly 'Shuttle U'\)](#) (928) 442-1000

Directions to Prescott College: *(From Phoenix)*

Take Interstate I-17 north toward Flagstaff (approximately 62 miles)

Take exit #262 onto AZ-69 west toward Prescott/Cordes Junction Rd. – go 33.8 miles

Take ramp onto Gurley St. (AZ-69 becomes Gurley St.) – go 1.8 miles

Continue west on Gurley Street (past the courthouse square and Whiskey Row) to Grove Ave.

Turn right on Grove – Prescott College is located on the second and third blocks on the left

The Welcome Center is at the corner of Western and Grove. It is a concrete building with solar panels, and the entrance is from the parking lot. Visitor parking is available.

Directions to Prescott College: *(From Flagstaff)*

Take Interstate I-17 south towards Phoenix (approximately 62 miles)

Take exit #278 onto AZ-169 toward Prescott – go .3 miles

Turn right on Cherry Rd. (AZ-169) - go 15 miles

Turn right on AZ-69 – go 1.6 miles

Continue to follow AZ-69 – go 13.2 miles (note: Prescott Valley is a separate community from Prescott)

Take ramp onto Gurley St. (AZ-69 becomes Gurley St.) – go 1.8 miles

Continue west on Gurley Street (past the courthouse square and Whiskey Row) to Grove Ave.

Turn right on Grove – Prescott College is located on the second and third blocks on the left

The Welcome Center is at the corner of Western and Grove. It is a concrete pyramid-shaped building with solar panels, and the entrance is directly in front of the parking lot off Western Ave. Visitor and ADA-accessible parking is available.

Lodging: *(Ask for a Prescott College discount!)*

Distance from Prescott College

Hotel St. Michael	205 W. Gurley St.	(928) 776-1999	.4 miles
Hassayampa Inn	122 E. Gurley St.	(928) 778-9434	.5 miles
Hotel Vendome	230 S. Cortez St.	(928) 776-0900	.6 miles
The Motor Lodge	503 S. Montezuma St.	(928) 717-0157	.8 miles
Springhill Suites by Marriott	200 E. Sheldon St.	(928) 776-0998	.8 miles
Motel 6	1111 E. Sheldon St.	(928) 776-0160	1.4 miles
Best Western Prescottonian	1317 E. Gurley St.	(928) 445-3096	1.7 miles
Comfort Inn	1290 White Spar Rd.	(928) 778-5770	2.3 miles
Prescott Resort & Conference Center	1500 Hwy. 69	(928) 776-1666	2.4 miles
Forest Villas Hotel	3645 Lee Circle	(928) 717-1200	4.8 miles
Hampton Inn	3453 Ranch Dr.	(928) 443-5500	4.9 miles
Holiday Inn Express	3454 Ranch Dr.	(928) 445-8900	4.9 miles

Things to Do

Prescott, AZ

LOCAL RESTAURANTS

Coffee & Tea Shops

G = gluten-free options, V=Vegan options

Cuppers Coffee House (G,V)	226 S. Cortez St.
Gurley St. Coffee	318 W. Gurley St.
Olde World Bagels (V)	404 W. Goodwin St.
Pangaea Bakery & Cafe (G,V)	220 W. Goodwin St.
Raven Café (G,V)	142 N. Cortez St.
Wild Iris Coffee House (G,V)	124 S. Granite St.

Restaurants:

All restaurants listed have vegetarian options

G = gluten-free options, V=Vegan options

Bill's Grill (G,V)	Lunch/Dinner	333 S. Montezuma St.
Bill's Pizza (G,V)	Lunch/Dinner	107 S. Cortez St.
Bistro St. Michael	Breakfast/ Lunch/Dinner	100 S. Montezuma St.
Dinner Bell Café	Breakfast/Lunch	321 W. Gurley St.
El Gato Azul (G,V)	Lunch/Dinner	316 W. Goodwin St.
Genovese's Italian Restaurant	Lunch/Dinner	217 W. Gurley St.
Gurley St. Grill	Lunch/ Dinner	230 W. Gurley St.
Hugo's Mexican Cocina	Lunch/ Dinner	216 N. Montezuma St.
Iron Springs Cafe	Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner	1501 W. Iron Springs Rd.
Maya's Mexican Restaurant	Lunch/Dinner	512 S. Montezuma St.
Murphy's	Lunch/Dinner	201 N. Cortez St.
New Frontiers Natural Foods Deli (G,V)	Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner	1112 Iron Springs Rd.
Prescott Brewing Company	Lunch/Dinner	130 W. Gurley St.
Raven Café (G,V)	Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner	142 N. Cortez St.
Taj Mahal (G,V)	Lunch/Dinner	124 N. Montezuma St.
The Palace	Lunch/Dinner	120 S. Montezuma St.
Lone Spur Cafe	Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner	106 W. Gurley St.
Papa's Italian Restaurant	Dinner	129 N. Cortez St.
Prescott Station (G)	Brunch/Lunch/Dinner	200 E. Gurley St.
Chef Bryan's Bistro	Lunch/Dinner	436 W. Goodwin St.
Prescott Steakhouse	Lunch/Dinner	520 Miller Valley Rd.

HISTORY & QUICK REFERENCE

[History of Prescott](#)
[Prescott History Timeline](#)
[Days Past Archives \(Articles\)](#)
[Prescott Historic Photographs](#)
[Prescott Historic Maps](#)
[Arizona Cultural Inventory Project](#)
[Arizona History & Archives](#)
[Arizona Historical Society](#)
[The Arizona Experience](#)

[Prescott Discovery Map](#)
[Prescott City Statistics](#)
[Prescott Community Profile](#)
[Prescott City Leadership](#)
[Prescott Daily Courier](#)
[Prescott Calendar of Events](#)
[Visit Prescott \(Videos\)](#)
[Prescott Weather Forecast](#)
[Prescott, AZ \(Wikipedia\)](#)

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

Hiking Trails and Outdoor Recreation:

[Prescott's Great Outdoors \(Video\)](#)

[Parks & Lakes](#)

[Hiking / Biking / Horseback Trails & Trail Maps](#)

[Pre-Historic & Historic Destinations](#)

[Prescott Area Bouldering & Rock Climbing Routes](#)

[Watson Lake Disc Golf Course](#)

Camping:

[Prescott National Forest Office](#)

344 S Cortez St

(928) 443-8000

[Arizona Trail Index](#) (HikeAZ.com)

Short Hikes/Bikes, Picnic Areas, Canoeing/Kayaking, & Camping

Granite Mountain / Granite Basin Recreation Area – 20 minutes to trailhead parking – [Google Maps Directions](#)

Drive north on Grove Ave to Iron Springs Rd. Turn left and drive west approximately 2.5 miles to the Granite Basin turn off. Take a right onto Granite Basin Road and continue to the Playa or Metate Trailhead parking lot. Here you can access a variety of trails from easy to difficult terrain. *Parking fee. Hike/Bike. Picnic Area. Fishing. *Some trails closed in Spring.*

Watson Lake Park & Campground – 12 minutes to park entrance – [Google Maps Directions](#)

Drive south on Grove Ave to Gurley St. Go left (east) through downtown. Continue on Gurley to Highway 89 North (stay in left lane). At the traffic circle, stay in the right lane, which goes directly into the Watson Lake Recreation Area. *Parking fee. Hiking/Biking. Picnic Area. Canoe/Kayak Rental. Disc Golf Course & Rental. Horseshoes. Bocce. Camping.*

Thumb Butte Park & Campground – 10 minutes to trailhead parking – [Google Maps Directions](#)

Drive south on Grove Ave to Gurley St. Turn right (west) and follow Gurley as it bends southwest and turns into Thumb Butte Rd. Continue approximately 1 mile and enter the Thumb Butte Recreational Area parking lot. Trails are located on either side of the road. *Parking fee. Hiking/Biking. Picnic Area. Camping.*

Lynx Lake Recreation Area – 15 minutes to North Shore parking area – [Google Maps Directions](#)

Drive south on Grove Ave to Gurley St. Turn left (east) and continue on Gurley as it turns into Hwy 69 (stay in right lane). Continue to Walker Road (past Trader Joe's) and turn right (south). Follow Walker Rd 3 miles to the North Shore parking area; turn left into the entrance drive. ([The Highlands Center for Natural History](#) is about a ½ mile further down Walker Rd. and provides guided and self-guided hikes and activities). *Parking Fee. Hiking/Biking. Canoe/Kayak Rental. Camping.*

Goldwater Lake Park – 15 minutes to park entrance – [Google Maps Directions](#)

Drive south on Grove Ave. to Gurley St. Turn left (east) and continue to Mt. Vernon /Senator Hwy. Turn right. Continue about 4 miles. Turn right at Goldwater Lake Park. *Parking fee. Picnic Area. Hike/Bike. Horseshoes. Volleyball. Camping.*

Grand Canyon:

[Distance to South Rim](#): 130 miles (2 hours 20 minutes from Prescott College)

[Distance to North Rim](#): 300 miles (5 hours 45 minutes from Prescott College)

[Distance to West Rim](#): 230 miles (4 hours 10 minutes from Prescott College)

Since you've come all this way, why not visit one of the seven natural wonders of the world: the awe-inspiring Grand Canyon. We're only a short 2 1/2 hour drive from the South Rim of Grand Canyon National Park, and there is a plethora of ways to enjoy it. Join a tour or be your own guide. Either way, these links will give you a sense of the options and help you make your plans. Many Grand Canyon tour companies are based in cities all throughout the region including Phoenix to the South, and Cottonwood, Camp Verde, Sedona, Flagstaff, and Williams to the North - even Las Vegas.

[Grand Canyon \(Wikipedia\)](#)

[Grand Canyon National Park Website](#)

[Grand Canyon Association](#)

[Bright Angel Trail](#) (South Rim) *Zoom to view in 3D!*

[Grand Canyon Railway](#) (Williams, AZ to South Rim)

[Grand Canyon Skywalk Tour](#) (West Rim)

[Grand Canyon tours near Prescott, AZ \(Google\)](#)

[Grand Canyon Convention & Visitors Bureau](#) (South Rim)

[Discover the Grand Canyon \(AZ Office of Tourism\)](#)

[Grand Canyon National Park Lodges](#) (South Rim)

FOR MORE IDEAS

Brochures available

Prescott & North Central Arizona:

Prescott / Prescott Valley

- [Prescott College Website](#)
- [City of Prescott Office of Tourism](#)
- [City of Prescott Visitors Information](#)
- [Arizona Office of Tourism \(Prescott\)](#)
- [Prescott Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Prescott Downtown Partnership](#)
- [Prescott National Forest](#)
- [AZ Edge Entertainment Guide](#)
- [Pop Rocket Magazine](#)
- [Senses Magazine](#)
- [Prescott Arts Beat](#)
- [Antique Shopping](#)
- [Local First AZ](#)
- [WeekendZona Prescott \(Video\)](#)
- [WeekendZona Blog](#)
- [Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce](#)

Jerome (35 miles / 55 mins)

- [Jerome Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Arizona Office of Tourism \(Jerome\)](#)
- [Verde Canyon Railroad](#)
- [Verde Valley Wine Trail](#)
- [WeekendZona Verde Valley \(Video\)](#)
- [Tuzigoot National Monument](#)

Sedona (68 miles / 1.5 hours)

- [Sedona Chamber and Visitors Center](#)
- [Arizona Office of Tourism \(Sedona\)](#)
- [Kudos AZ Magazine](#)
- [Red Rock News](#)
- [Sedona Discovery Map](#)

Other North Central Arizona

Flagstaff & Northern Arizona:

Flagstaff (100 miles / 2 hours)

- [Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Flagstaff Convention and Visitors Bureau](#)
- [Arizona Office of Tourism \(Flagstaff\)](#)
- [AZ Daily Sun](#)
- [Northern Arizona Native American Culture Trail](#)
- [Wupatki National Monument](#)
- [Walnut Canyon National Monument](#)
- [Arizona SnowBowl Ski & Snowboard Resort](#)
- [Museum of Northern Arizona](#)

Grand Canyon (130 miles / 2.5 hours)

- [Grand Canyon Discovery Map](#)
- [Grand Canyon Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Grand Canyon National Park Info](#)
- [Grand Canyon Visitor Guide](#)
- [Lake Havasu City / Havasupai Falls](#)

Other Northern Arizona

Phoenix & Central Arizona:

(100 miles / 2 hours South of Prescott)

Phoenix Metro

- [Phoenix Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Phoenix Convention and Visitors Bureau](#)
- [Arizona Office of Tourism \(Phoenix\)](#)
- [Papago Park](#)
- [Lost Dutchman State Park](#)
- [Phoenix Art Museum](#)
- [Musical Instrument Museum](#)
- [Heard Museum](#)
- [Desert Botanical Gardens](#)

Scottsdale

- [Scottsdale Discovery Map](#)
- [Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Scottsdale Convention and Visitors Bureau](#)
- [Arizona Office of Tourism \(Scottsdale\)](#)
- [Old Town Scottsdale](#)
- [Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation](#)
- [WestWorld Equestrian Center](#)

Tempe

- [Tempe Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Tempe Convention and Visitors Bureau](#)
- [Arizona Office of Tourism \(Tempe\)](#)
- [Mill Avenue District](#)

Other Central Arizona

Tucson & Southern Arizona:

(215 miles / 3.5 hours South of Prescott)

Tucson

- [Tucson Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Tucson Convention and Visitors Bureau](#)
- [Arizona Office of Tourism \(Tucson\)](#)
- [Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum](#)
- [Tucson Association of Museums](#)
- [4th Avenue Downtown Tucson](#)

Other Southern Arizona