



Why you should experience

# Casa Grande Ruins National Monument

In central Arizona, in the town of Coolidge

Casa Grande Ruins National Monument is a sanctuary where you can still feel a connection with the past. The centerpiece is the four-story tall adobe “Great House” (Casa Grande) that was built in the early 1300s. It was set aside as the Nation’s first archaeological reserve in 1892, and became part of the National Park Service in 1918. Between 60,000 and 80,000 people visit the Monument annually, making it a top tourist attraction in Pinal County. For the Akimel O’odham and other descendant Native American tribes (such as the Hopi and Zuni), Casa Grande Ruins is a sacred place with deep spiritual meaning. It figures prominently in traditional oral histories and serves as a tangible reminder of distant ancestors. Few places in Arizona can match the combination of historical, archaeological, and cultural significance of Casa Grande Ruins.”

—Kyle Woodson

## What else is nearby?

- Historic Town of Coolidge
- Historic Town of Florence
- San Tan Mountain Regional Park
- Picacho Peak State Park
- Huhugam Heritage Center
- Gila River Interpretive Trail

## How can I learn more?

Explore a free issue of *Archaeology Southwest Magazine*, additional information on the Hohokam, and related blog posts and project pages at:



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Type of Place:	Hohokam sites
Ownership:	National Park Service
Telephone:	(520) 723-3172
Hours:	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., except Thanksgiving and Christmas
Guided tours:	Yes, January through April
Entrance Fee:	Free



IMAGE: MINDELEFF, 1896, REPRODUCED IN FEWKES 1912 [PLATE 9]