

# Threatened LANDSCAPES & INDIGENOUS Stewardship

## A TOUR OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA'S SAN PEDRO AND LOWER GILA CULTURAL LANDSCAPES



### Archaeology Southwest

*Archaeology Southwest has more than two decades* of collaborative research with regional Tribes of the southern Southwest. In recent years, the organization has made Tribal collaboration a prime strategic focus, expanded its Native American staff and board, and prioritized advocating for landscape-scale preservation. This three-day tour includes visits to places that reflect key historical themes:

- » **Changing cultural identity** in the past—the science and the significance
- » A **past migration** that led to the emergence of a new “ideology of inclusion”
- » **Reestablishing Native connections** to these lands—the role of Preservation Archaeology

Each day will involve about six hours of travel to heritage places. A team of Archaeology Southwest staff, each with a decade or more of research experience, will accompany the group. They will share insights with you on the land and in relaxed evening conversations. Native American staff members will share their perspectives and goals as young adults promoting collaborative research and advocacy. You will enjoy opportunities to gain an understanding of preservation strategies that incorporate public and private lands.



*The San Pedro Valley is famous for preserving the human story. From mammoth hunters from 13,000 years ago to villages with ballcourts a thousand years ago, to warrior-farmers from 1700 CE.*

IMAGE: ADRIEL HEISEY

#### WHEN:

October 16–20, 2023

#### AIRPORTS:

Phoenix Sky Harbor and  
Tucson International

#### WHO:

Up to 10 distinguished creators, business leaders, and innovators who want to explore cultural landscapes of southern Arizona, learn from Indigenous leaders guiding protection efforts, and hear from staff members of one of America's most effective and innovative advocacy groups, Archaeology Southwest.

#### COST:

\$2,600 per person

#### HOW:

Register online at:

[archaeologysouthwest.org/2023tour/](https://archaeologysouthwest.org/2023tour/)

*Reserve your spot at* [www.archaeologysouthwest.org/2023tour/](https://www.archaeologysouthwest.org/2023tour/)



# Travel Agenda

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OCTOBER 16–OCTOBER 20, 2023 | LOWER SAN PEDRO, TOPAWA, HIMDAG KI, THE OATMAN SITE

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 16: ARRIVAL

Arrive in Tucson for a welcome dinner at Lodge on the Desert.

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17: LOWER SAN PEDRO

Lower San Pedro Tour, featuring Archaeology Southwest's initial research and Native outreach focus initiated in 1990. Return to Lodge on the Desert and gather for dinner at the historic Arizona Inn.

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18: TOPAWA & HIMDAG KI

Head to Topawa and Tohono O'odham Himdag Ki Cultural Center. Meet with Tohono O'odham Elders and current collaborators. Have lunch there [catered] and then continue on to Gila Bend, Space Age Lodge. Dinner at Little Italy Restaurant.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19: OATMAN SITE

Tour Oatman site (petroglyphs) with a Piipaash Elder and Archaeology Southwest staff. Evening barbecue at Oatman Flats Ranch, which practices regenerative farming and cultivates heritage grains. Back to Gila Bend.

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20: DEPARTURE

Leave Gila Bend in the morning and head to Phoenix or Tucson airport.



*Archaeology Southwest field team for a multi-year field project on the Lower Gila River. The project was led by Archaeology Southwest staff and the crew consisted of four members of the Quechan Tribe of Fort Yuma.*

IMAGE: ZION C. WHITE



*A 2009 site visit by members of the Tohono O'odham Nation to Baicatcan in the San Pedro Valley. This ancestral village dates to the 1690s and is protected by Archaeology Southwest.*

IMAGE: BERNARD SIQUIEROS

*Sign up today to reserve your spot!*