Nearby Parks

If you're having a great time here, don't forget to visit one of the four nearby state parks in the area!

Red Rock State Park (16 miles) The park is a 286-acre nature preserve and environmental education center with stunning scenery. Trails throughout the park reach the rich banks of Oak Creek. Green meadows are framed by native vegetation and hills of red rock. The creek meanders through the park, creating a habitat abundant with plants and wildlife. (928) 282-6907

Dead Horse Ranch State Park (27 miles) Nestled in the cool climate of Cottonwood, this park offers numerous recreational opportunities such as camping, hiking, mountain biking, canoeing, fishing, horseback riding, and more. Cabins and access to the Verde River are also available. (928) 634-5283

Fort Verde State Historic Park (34 miles) Experience living history and life through the eyes of a frontier soldier. The fort was a base for General Crook's U.S. Army scouts and soldiers in the 1870s and 1880s. From 1865 – 1891, Camp Lincoln, Camp Verde, and Fort Verde were home to officers, doctors, families, enlisted men, and scouts. (928) 567-3275

Jerome State Historic Park (34 miles) This park reveals the story of the city of Jerome inside the historic Douglas Mansion. The museum features photographs, artifacts, and minerals in addition to a video presentation and a 3-D model of the town with its underground mines. (928) 634-5381



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Slide Rock State Park, originally the Pendley Homestead, is a 43-acre historic apple farm located in Oak Creek Canyon, north of Sedona. Frank L. Pendley, having arrived in the canyon in 1907, formally acquired the land in 1910 under the Homestead Act. He succeeded where others failed by establishing a unique irrigation system, which is still partially in use by the park today. This allowed Pendley to plant his first apple orchard in 1912, beginning the pattern of agricultural development.

The site was also instrumental to the development of the tourism industry in Oak Creek Canyon.

The park is named after the famous Slide Rock, a stretch of slippery creek bottom adjacent to the homestead. Visitors may slide down the slick natural water chute or wade and sun along the creek. The swim area is located on National Forest land, which is jointly managed by Arizona State Parks & Trails and the U.S. Forest Service.

Thank you for visiting!



Picnic Areas/Ramadas

There are 25 open-air picnic areas that are great for small groups available near the entry station and parking lot on a first-come, first-served basis.

Two covered ramadas with picnic-bench seating may be reserved for group day use. Each ramada will hold about 50 people. Unfortunately, the park does not take ramada reservations between the Friday before Memorial Day and the end of Labor Day. Contact the park for reservations.

Swimming

The Slide Rock swim area is approximately 0.5 miles of creek. There are multiple places to swim and wade, as well as the famous slide, an 80-foot slippery chute that is worn into sandstone. Please enjoy with caution. Rocks and creek beds are slippery when wet or icy.

• NOTE: Entry into the park will not be permitted 1 hour before closing. The swim area closes a half-hour before closing.



Trail Information

Pendley Homestead Trail: This paved, level trail is suitable for all visitors and takes you through a portion of the historic Pendley Homestead of Slide Rock State Park. Features along the trail include some of the original apple orchards, the Pendley Homestead house, tourist cabins, and the apple-packing barn.

Slide Rock Route: This primitive route along Oak Creek is the main access to the Slide Rock swim area.

Clifftop Nature Trail: This trail begins near the apple barn and offers scenic views of the Slide Rock swim area.

Park Rules

While visiting the park, please help us protect this special space for your future enjoyment.

General Information

- Please practice "Leave No Trace" and pack out what you bring in.
- Drive your vehicle only on designated paved surfaces
- Park your vehicle only in designated parking areas. Do not park your vehicle on the side of the road.
- Stay on designated trails.
- Do not use glass containers in the park.
- All of our parks adhere to firearm and hunting regulations. Please familiarize yourself with this information.

Fires

- Fires are only allowed in approved, designated fire rings or grills. Fires must always be attended.
- Only charcoal fires and propane fires are allowed in the park
- **Do not gather firewood in the parks.** Firewood is for sale in our park stores.
- Fireworks are not permitted in state parks.
- You can find up-to-date fire restrictions at azstateparks.com/slide-rock.

Pets

- Keep your pets on a maximum six-foot leash at all times.
- Pick up after your pet.
- For additional information related to pets, visit our website or ask park staff.

Additional Information

• No amplified music in the swim area.

We hope you have an enjoyable and safe experience in our parks! All guidelines for this park can be viewed on our website at www.azstateparks.com.

Park Hours

The park is open 7 days a week, except Dec. 25. Park hours vary seasonally. Please visit our website to confirm hours of operation before visiting.

