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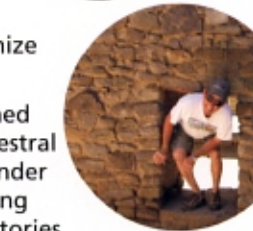## National Monument

Walk in the Footprints of the Past

Aztec Ruins is one of the best preserved archeological sites in the Southwest and is a sacred ancestral place to many Native American people. It became a national monument in 1923 and a World Heritage site in 1987 to recognize its significance to all of humankind.

The great houses at Aztec Ruins formed an important regional center for ancestral Pueblo people. Today visitors can wander through an ancient building containing over 400 rooms and towering three stories tall. You can explore a reconstructed ceremonial Great Kiva and walk through a series of rooms still roofed with original 900-year old beams.

KIDS — earn a free National Park Service Junior Ranger badge by learning and helping to protect the archeological site!

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SUMMER – 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM, 7 days a week
Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day

WINTER – 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, 7 days a week
Closed Thanksgiving, December 25, and January 1

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Journey 900 years into the past...

Aztec West Trail — Explore the 800-yard path through a massive great house. This monumental structure was built as a public ceremonial, economic, and political center around 1100 AD and was occupied by ancestral Pueblo people until about 1300 AD.

Visitor Center and Museum — Examine ancient pottery, weavings, and an original ladder. Watch the video *Footprints of the Past* to hear perspectives from archeologists and Native American scholars. Shop for books, postcards, and traditional crafts.

Picnic in the shade of cottonwood trees; investigate a heritage garden, walk the Old Spanish Trail or a native plants trail.

Entrance Fees are $5.00 per adult. Children 15 and under are free. Annual, senior, access, military and "Every Kid in a Park" passholders are free.

Ranger Tours and Talks, cultural demonstrations, and special events are included in the entrance fee.