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By the Numbers



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FOUNDED:
1946



FORMERLY:
COLDWATER, AZ
(A STAGE STOP)



POPULATION:
92,168



LOCATION:
MARICOPA COUNTY



AREA:
45 SQUARE MILES



PHOENIX RACEWAY CAPACITY:
42,000



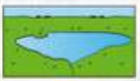
12
PARKS



6
DOG PARKS



3
LAKES



300+
SUNNY DAYS!



ALTITUDE:
974 FEET (297 METERS)



MEDIAN AGE:
31.9 YEARS



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A MESSAGE FROM *The Mayor*

Celebrating 60 Years of Racing and More!



Welcome to Avondale! We invite you to Discover Avondale and experience all that makes this city truly unique. Whether you're here for business or leisure, we're dedicated to making your visit as enjoyable and memorable as possible.

As a vibrant part of the Metropolitan Phoenix area, Avondale has so much to offer. This year, we're excited to celebrate 60 years of exhilarating NASCAR action at Phoenix Raceway, where racing champions are crowned and fans from all over gather for a thrilling experience.

But Avondale isn't just about racing. We're a young, family-oriented community with a robust youth and amateur sports sector, welcoming families from near and far for a variety of regional sports tournaments throughout the year at our facilities, parks, and new aquatics center. With festivals and events happening year-round, there's always something exciting going on.

While you're here, we invite you to stay, play, and enjoy your time in Avondale. Explore unique stops around town, savor international flavors at our diverse dining spots, take a walk through our Old Town and enjoy our beautiful parks and trails. Be sure to check out our Dining Guide and discover the many wonderful eateries in Avondale.

Visit our website at www.DiscoverAvondale.com for the latest event listings and join us in celebrating everything that makes Avondale special.

Sincerely,
Mike Pineda, Mayor of Avondale



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Unique

STOPS

In Avondale



Crepe's Garden

10585 W Indian School Road

Crepe's Garden in Avondale is a charming eatery that specializes in both sweet and savory crepes. Owned by Monica Lopez, this cozy spot invites you to enjoy a variety of delicious crepes in a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Monica Lopez brings a passion for culinary excellence and hospitality to every dish served. The menu features classic favorites like Nutella and strawberry crepes, as well as unique creations that highlight local flavors and seasonal ingredients. From the perfectly crisp edges to the fluffy interiors, each crepe is made with care and attention to detail. The inviting ambiance of Crepe's Garden makes it a perfect choice for a leisurely brunch, a quick snack, or a sweet treat. In addition to its delicious crepes, Crepe's Garden offers a selection of gourmet coffees and teas, making it an ideal spot to unwind and savor a delightful meal.



Eric's Family Barbecue

12345 W. Indian School Road

Eric's Family Barbecue is a must-visit. Ranked third in the Yelp "Top 100 Barbecue Spots" list for 2024, this restaurant truly lives up to its reputation with its flavorful, Texas-style barbecue and mouthwatering sides. What began as family cookouts by Eric Tanori and Anthony Garcia quickly evolved into a popular eatery that often sees lines out the door.

Despite the wait, Eric's Family Barbecue is worth every minute. The friendly and efficient service ensures a pleasant experience, and the generous portions are sure to fill you up. The brisket, slow-cooked for over 16 hours, is tender and bursting with flavor, while the ribs offer a distinct mesquite smoke.



(Continued) Other highlights include the jalapeno cheddar sausage, juicy turkey, and a range of sandwiches. The sides are equally impressive: the peppery macaroni and cheese, the Mexican-style elote with cotija cheese, and the fresh potato salad are crowd-pleasers. The coleslaw strikes a perfect balance of sweetness and tartness, and the banana pudding is a fantastic way to end your meal. Eric's Family Barbecue has earned its place among the best, with a rich history of perfecting their craft from backyard cookouts to a top-ranked restaurant. Be sure to check it out and see why it's a national favorite!



3 Scale & Feather Meadery

1050 N. Fairway Drive

Discover a unique gem in Avondale: Scale & Feather Meadery. Founded by Tamara Chaney, Ben Chaney, and Amber DeGiso, this exceptional meadery offers a magical experience with its traditional and creative meads. Mead made from fermented honey, comes in various sweetness levels and seasonal flavors. With over a decade of experience, the Chaney's and DeGiso special meads cater to both seasoned wine enthusiasts and adventurous newcomers. Scale & Feather Meadery provides a journey into a fantastical world of flavors, whether you're exploring mead for the first time or searching for a new favorite. The meadery's cozy atmosphere and



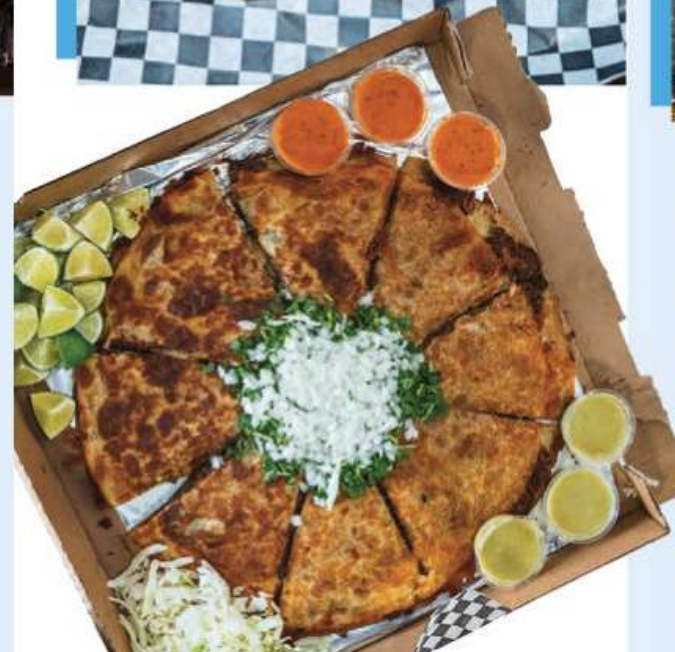
passionate owners make it a must-visit destination. Enjoy a range of meads that reflect the creativity and expertise of the team. Scale & Feather promises a delightful experience that's sure to impress.



4 AZ Taco King

12725 W. Indian School Road

For taco and burrito lovers, AZ Taco King is a top destination. What started as a viral taco cart by Iise Jazmin Valenzuela Sears and Samuel Sears has evolved into a thriving restaurant. Known for its delicious tacos, quesadillas, fries, burros, and tortas, AZ Taco King offers a variety of meats including birria, asada, al pastor, barbacoa, chorizo, and shrimp. Every dish at AZ Taco King is crafted to satisfy your cravings and keep you coming back for more. The birria is particularly popular, but each option is made with quality ingredients and a lot of love. The eatery's lively atmosphere and exceptional flavors make it a local favorite. Whether you're grabbing a quick bite or enjoying a full meal, AZ Taco King delivers on taste and value. The restaurant's commitment to serving delicious and authentic Mexican food ensures that each visit is a memorable one.





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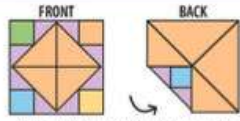
What's Your **Avondale**  

ADVENTURE

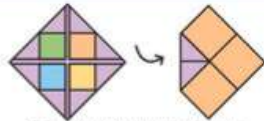
ACTIVITY-PICKER GAME! (Instructions on Back) →

GREEN 	1 	2 	PURPLE 
7	Date Night: Catch a bite along McDowell Road Row.	Coffee Break: Take a break at an Avondale coffee shop.	3
Wildlife Hike: Explore nature and spot wildlife at Estrella Mountain Regional Park.			Avondale-opoly: Buy your own Avondale-themed board game at the Visitor Center.
8	Skate Park Fun: Show off your skills at Festival Fields' skate park and pump track.		4
BLUE 	Splash & Slide: Cool off with some water fun at our Avondale splash pads.		Taco Tuesday: Enjoy some tacos and take a stroll in Old Town Avondale.
9	6	5	ORANGE 

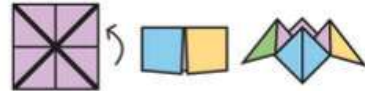
How to Fold Game



Flip back, then fold corners to the center



Flip over, then fold corners to center again



Fold in half. Put fingers under the 4 open corners

How to Play Game:

1. To play, begin with the thumb & index fingers of each hand in the 4 pockets of the activity-picker game.
2. Have the person whose activity is being selected pick 1 of the colors on the top 4 flaps.
3. If the color is Blue, spell out the letters of blue while alternating a pinching & pulling motion with the activity picker.
4. Each pinch will expose 4 of the numbers on the inner flaps, and each pull will expose the other 4 numbers.
5. After spelling out B-L-U-E, the teller will be showing one of the sets of 4 numbers.
6. The other player will then pick 1 of those numbers, & the responding action is the alternating pinch & pull from the 1st round, except it continues with counting of the number instead of the spelling of the color.
7. Once the number has been counted, four numbers will be exposed.
8. After a number is picked, the activity under that number is read.



CAPTURE THE MOMENTS IN AVONDALE



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FLAVORS From Afar

Come hungry and explore the world of flavors right here in Avondale!

From Peruvian delicacies to Korean corn dogs, Thai curries, and Mexican pastries, Avondale's international restaurants offer something for every palate. Come hungry and explore this culinary tapestry where the world's flavors come together right here in Avondale! Here are some tasty places where you can indulge in a diverse array of dishes from around the world!

Inca Fusion Peruvian Restaurant

1619 N. Dysart Road | Avondale, AZ 85323

Immerse yourself in the rich and diverse flavors of Peru at Inca Fusion. This restaurant is dedicated to showcasing traditional Peruvian dishes made from fresh ingredients and authentic recipes. Whether you're craving ceviche, lomo saltado, or aji de gallina, Inca Fusion brings a slice of Peru to Avondale with every savory bite.



Inca Fusion Peruvian Restaurant



Thai Orchid Garden



Two Hands Seoul Fresh Corn Dogs

10210 W. McDowell Road | Avondale, AZ 85323

Kick off your culinary adventure at Two Hands Seoul Fresh Corn Dogs, where Korean-style corn dogs are given a unique twist. This popular eatery takes the classic corn dog and elevates it with a variety of fillings and toppings that are sure to tantalize your taste buds. Each bite offers a delicious fusion of textures and flavors, reflecting the creativity and passion behind Korean street food.

Thai Orchid Garden

12725 W. Indian School Road | Avondale, AZ 85323

For a taste of Thailand, head over to Thai Orchid Garden. This gem serves up aromatic Thai cuisine that masterfully balances sweet, sour, and savory elements. From fragrant curries to delectable pad thai, each dish is crafted to transport you straight to Southeast Asia. The inviting atmosphere makes it a perfect spot for both casual meals and special occasions.

Panaderia La Central

725 N. Central Avenue | Avondale, AZ 85323

Panaderia La Central is a charming bakery that brings the heart of Mexico to Avondale. With its mouth-watering pastries and traditional breads, this bakery offers a delightful taste of Mexican baking. Whether you're in the mood for freshly baked conchas or savory empanadas, Panaderia La Central is a must-visit for anyone looking to enjoy authentic Mexican treats.



60 YEARS OF SPEED

AT PHOENIX RACEWAY



PHOENIX RACEWAY

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF SPEED

In the vibrant city of Avondale, Phoenix Raceway has been a cornerstone of speed, excitement, and community for 60 years. This year, as the raceway commemorates its anniversary, it's the perfect moment to reflect on decades of thrilling racing action and unforgettable moments that have shaped not just the track but the local culture and economy as well. Whether you're a dedicated racing fan or just curious about what makes this place special, Phoenix Raceway's legacy is one worth exploring.

THE BIRTH OF PHOENIX RACEWAY (1960s)

Phoenix Raceway first roared to life in 1964, featuring a unique one-mile oval track with a signature dogleg. The inaugural Checker 500 saw the legendary A.J. Foyt take the checkered flag, laying the foundation for what would become an enduring legacy of high-speed excitement.

THE RISE TO FAME (1970s)

The track's challenging layout and vibrant atmosphere made it a favorite, and in 1977, it hosted its first NASCAR Winston West Series race, a major milestone that became a defining event on its racing calendar.

EXPANSION AND GROWTH (1980s)

As the raceway's popularity soared, the 1980s saw significant expansions, including the addition of grandstands and improved facilities. These upgrades transformed Phoenix Raceway into a modern, fan-friendly space capable of hosting a diverse range of motorsport events and drawing larger, more varied audiences. NASCAR Hall of Famer Alan Kulwicki won the inaugural NASCAR Cup Series event at Phoenix Raceway, the Checker 500.

A HUB FOR MAJOR EVENTS (1990s)

The 1990s marked a transformative period as Phoenix Raceway became a hub for major racing events. The Dura Lube 500 in 1990 attracted record crowds, solidifying the track's reputation as a top-tier venue, a tradition that continues today with the NASCAR Cup Series races that draw fans from across the nation.

MODERNIZATION AND INNOVATION (2000s)

The turn of the millennium brought a wave of modernization to Phoenix Raceway. Luxury suites, updated facilities, and cutting-edge technology were introduced, elevating the fan experience and keeping Phoenix Raceway at the forefront of the racing world. These enhancements ensured the

raceway remained a must-visit destination for any and all motorsport enthusiasts.

CELEBRATING THE FANS (2010s)

The 2010s were all about the fans. Phoenix Raceway introduced interactive experiences, meet-and-greets with drivers, and community engagement programs designed to bring fans closer to the action.

LOOKING AHEAD (2020s)

The launch of NASCAR Championship Weekend in 2020 further solidified the track's status as a premier destination for the season's most anticipated races. As Phoenix Raceway celebrates its 60th anniversary, it's clear that innovation and excellence remain at the core of its mission. Recent upgrades and a focus on sustainability ensure that the raceway will continue to lead the pack in the world of motorsports. From its humble beginnings to its current status as a premier racing destination, Phoenix Raceway has created countless memories for fans and drivers alike. Here's to many more years of speed, excitement, and community at Phoenix Raceway in Avondale, Arizona.



FUN FACTS & CELEBRATED MOMENTS

- The track served as a filming location for the 1990s film, Days of Thunder, starring Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman.
- One of the raceway's most beloved symbols is the giant neon saguaro cactus, known as the "Cactus King," which stands proudly in the infield, a favorite photo spot for fans and drivers alike.



1964

The Beginning

- Phoenix Raceway opens its doors with a unique 1-mile oval track.
- Legendary A.J. Foyt wins the inaugural Checker 500.



1977

NASCAR Winston West Series Debut

- The raceway hosts its 1st NASCAR Winston West Series race, establishing itself as a must-visit venue for racing fans.



1988

Kulwicki's "Polish Victory Lap"

- Alan Kulwicki celebrates his 1st NASCAR Cup Series win by driving a reverse lap, creating an iconic racing moment.



1990

Dura Lube 500 Draws Record Crowds

- The inaugural Dura Lube 500 cements Phoenix Raceway as a premier racing hub



2007

Jeff Gordon's Record Tying Win

- Jeff Gordon ties Dale Earnhardt's record with a dramatic victory at the Subway Fresh Fit 500 at Phoenix Raceway



2011

Fan Engagement Innovations

- Phoenix Raceway introduces fan-friendly initiatives, including signing the start/finish line, bringing fans closer to the action.



2020

NASCAR Championship Weekend Launch

- Phoenix Raceway hosts the 1st NASCAR Championship Weekend, solidifying its status as a top destination.



2022

Joey Logano's Championship Win

- Logano secures his 2nd NASCAR Cup Series Championship at the Phoenix Raceway.

Source: PhoenixRaceway.com

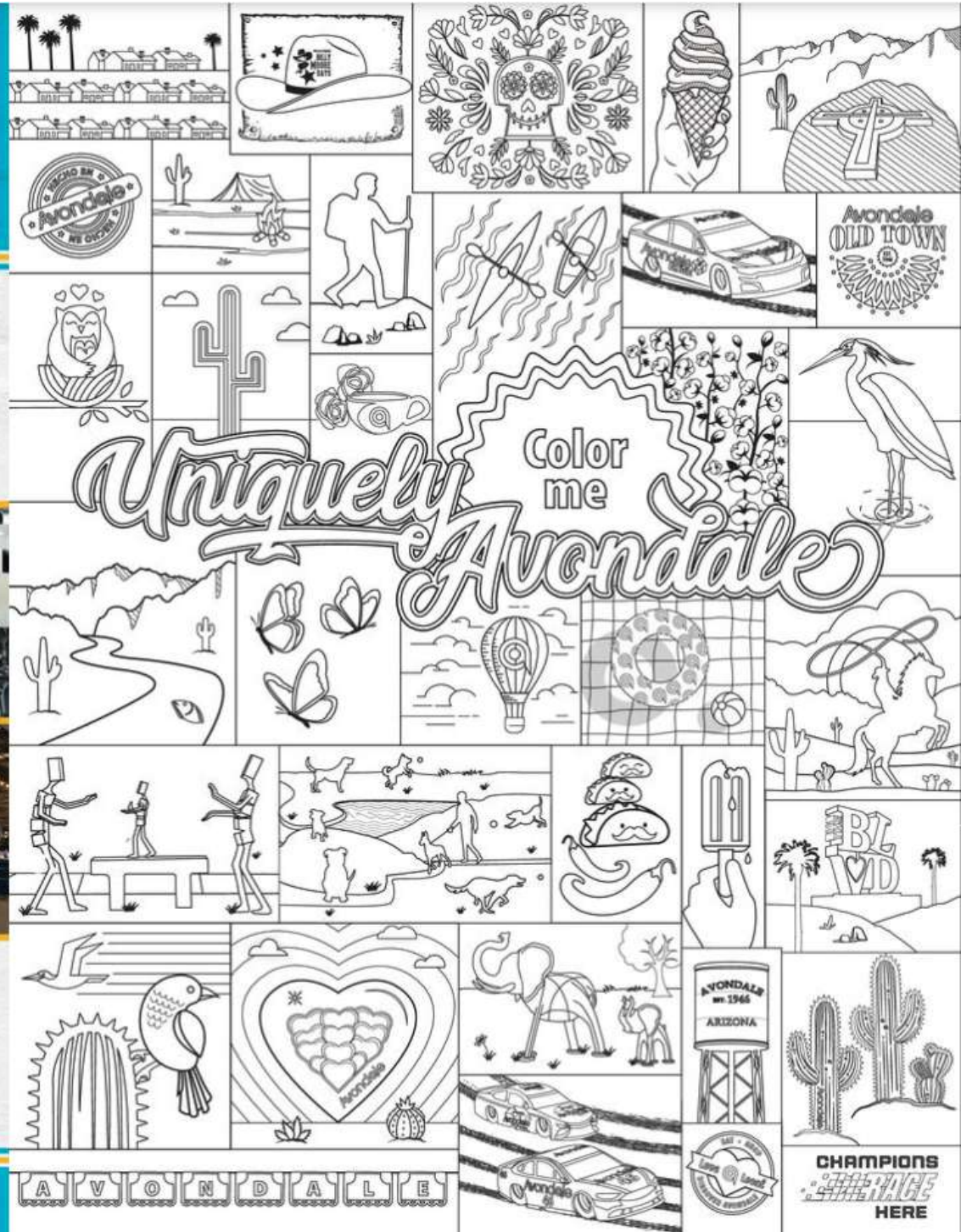


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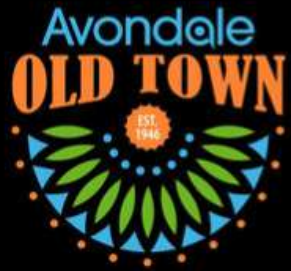


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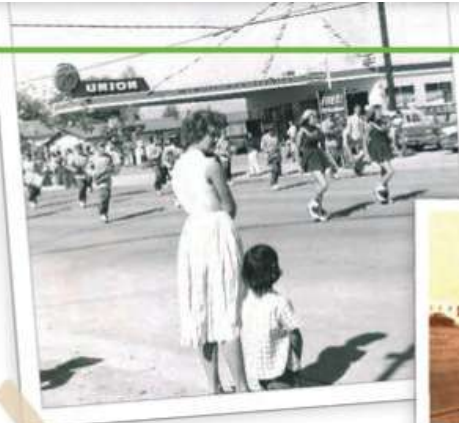
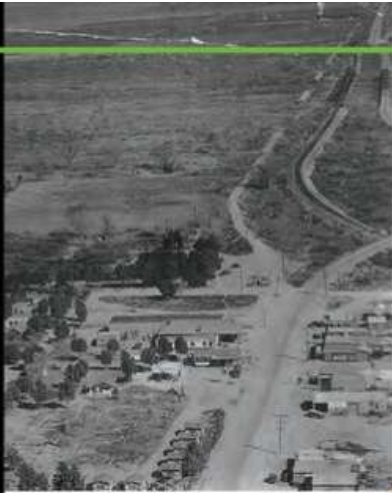


A Nostalgic Walk Through



A Little Bit of Love & History

Step back in time and experience the heart of Old Town Avondale. A stroll along Western Avenue will transport you to a by-gone era. Lace up your walking shoes and embark on a journey through the past in Old Town!



STOP 9

BILLY MOORE DAYS PARADE – A TIME-HONORED TRADITION

Every October, Old Town Avondale comes alive with the Billy Moore Days Parade. This long-standing tradition brings the community together with festive floats, bands, and cheerful celebrations. Picture the streets lined with locals, enjoying the vibrant atmosphere and celebrating Avondale's spirit. As your walk through Old Town Avondale concludes, take a moment to reflect on the past. From its early days as a traveler's stop to its role as a vibrant community hub, Avondale has always been a place of connection and tradition. Whether you're a history enthusiast or on a family outing, this stroll offers a memorable glimpse into days gone by.



STOP 1

THE WHITE HOUSE (NOW COLDWATER COFFEEHOUSE & BAKERY)

A SIP OF HISTORY

Start your adventure at 127 East Western Avenue. Here you'll find the White House, built in 1938 as a Sears catalog home—a unique concept at the time where you could order a house from a catalog. Today, it's Coldwater Coffeehouse & Bakery. Savoring a latte and reminisce about the families and travelers who once passed by.

STOP 2

THE AVON THEATER HOLLYWOOD COMES TO AVONDALE

Head to 16 East Western Avenue, where the Avon Theater briefly served as the town's entertainment hub. Opened in 1947, it was the place for the latest films and double features. It was also the place for first dates and family movie nights, during a time when going to the cinema was a magical experience.



STOP 3

THE BURGER BUILDING A TASTE OF GOOGIE ARCHITECTURE

Continue to 60 East Western Avenue to see the Burger Building, an example of Googie architecture from 1960. This futuristic design once housed a popular eatery known for its burgers and shakes. Envision neon lights and classic cars rolling up as families gathered for a meal. It just awaits the next small business to move in, and serve your order.

STOP 4

THE CHURCH BUILDING (NOW SALVATION ARMY)

Just around the corner at 11 North 3rd Avenue, stands a church built in 1900. This historic adobe structure was the spiritual heart of Avondale. Picture attending Sunday services in the early 1900s, exchanging warm greetings with neighbors, and feeling the deep sense of community that still resonates today.

STOP 5

AVONDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EDUCATING GENERATIONS

A short walk away at 45 South 3rd Avenue is Avondale Elementary School, established in 1937 and now named Michael Anderson School in honor of a NASA astronaut. Picture a lively 1950s classroom with children carrying lunchboxes and eager to learn, continuing the tradition of inspiring new generations.

STOP 6

PAINTED STORIES

As you explore Old Town, keep an eye out for colorful murals that bring Avondale's history to life. These vibrant artworks capture scenes from the town's agricultural roots to its bustling community life. Imagine these murals as windows into the past, offering glimpses of different eras.

STOP 7

ADOBE STRUCTURES BUILT TO LAST

Notice the adobe buildings scattered throughout Old Town. These structures, including the Salvation Army and several homes, were built with adobe to stay cool in the hot Arizona climate. Their timeless charm adds historical depth to the area.

STOP 8

DINING WITH HISTORY - ZAMORA'S

No visit to Old Town is complete without a meal. Stop by Cafe Zamora at 606 East Western Avenue, a beloved Mexican restaurant serving the community since 1978. Enjoy delicious food & reflect on the many stories & gatherings that have taken place here over the years.

Old Town Dining Options

Map of Old Town Avondale showing dining options with numbered markers 1 through 11.

1. Paletas La Michoakana 105 E Western Ave	4. Rosendo's Taco Shop 334 E Western Ave	8. Taqueria La Jacky 532 E Western Ave
2. Casita Kahlo 308 E Western Ave	5. Carnitas Michoacanas 506 E Western Ave, #103	9. Café Zamora 606 E Western Ave
3. Coldwater Coffeehouse & Bakery 127 E Western Ave	6. Mi Panaderia 506 E Western Ave, #101	10. The Pasta Factory 701 E Western Ave
	7. Ambiente Nightclub 633 E Western Avenue	11. Carolina's Mexican Food 27 N Dysart Rd



PLACES TO PLAY

Whether you're a sports enthusiast, a nature lover, or simply seeking a tranquil spot to unwind, Avondale boasts an impressive array of parks offering something exceptional for everyone, young and old. Avondale's parks and public spaces are alive with a vibrant tapestry of community events and gatherings. From lively festivals to local sporting matches, there's always something happening in these fun and engaging spaces.

SKATE PARK AND PUMP TRACK
For the thrill-seekers on wheels, Avondale's skate park and pump track at Festival Fields Park is the place to be. Whether you're perfecting your ollies, flips, or tricks in the skate park or seeking an exhilarating ride on the pump track, the adventure awaits.

DOG PARKS
Furry friends deserve their share of fun too. Avondale extends a warm welcome to canine companions with dog parks at each of its major parks – Friendship Park, Festival Fields Park, and Alamar Park. Here, pets can roam off-leash, enjoying open spaces while their owners mingle with fellow dog lovers.

FISHING LAKES
For those who find solace in fishing, Avondale presents three serene fishing lakes. Whether you're angling for relaxation or hoping for the catch of the day, these lakes at Festival Fields Park, Friendship Park, and Alamar Park are ideal fishing retreats.



GREEN FIELDS FOR ALL SPORTS
Avondale's lush green fields are versatile canvases for a multitude of sports and recreational activities. Gather your friends for an impromptu soccer match, a game of Frisbee, or simply enjoy a peaceful picnic with a picturesque backdrop.

PICKLEBALL, TENNIS, SAND VOLLEYBALL, BASKETBALL – OH MY!
Looking to engage in some friendly competition? Avondale offers top-notch pickleball, tennis, sand volleyball, and basketball courts, perfect for honing your skills.

PLAYGROUNDS
Avondale's well-equipped playgrounds excite the imagination of children. With safe play structures and open spaces, these areas provide hours of entertainment for little adventurers.

RAMADA AREAS
Avondale's park ramadas are the perfect place for a picnic. Pack a potluck, gather your loved ones, and savor a meal in the park.

SPLISH AND SPLASH
Avondale's splash pads offer a refreshing retreat for families looking to beat the heat. Strategically located in several civic spaces and parks throughout the city, these water-filled wonderlands are perfect for children to enjoy interactive water play while staying cool.



AVONDALE

PARK LOCATIONS

- 1. Alamar Park**
4155 S. El Mirage Road
- 2. Festival Fields Park**
101 E. Lower Buckeye Road
- 3. Friendship Park**
12325 W. McDowell Road
- 4. Dennis DeConcini Park**
351 E. Western Avenue
- 5. Donnie Hale Park**
10857 W. 4th Street
- 6. Las Ligas Park**
12421 W. Lower Buckeye Road
- 7. Fred Campbell Park**
101 E. Lawrence Boulevard
- 8. Mountain View Park**
201 E. Mountain View Road
- 9. Park Avenue Plaza**
755 N. 114th Avenue
- 10. Dessie Lorenz Plaza**
202 E. Main Street
- 11. Doc Rhodes Plaza**
104 W. Western Avenue
- 12. A.B. Sernas Plaza**
521 E. Western Avenue
- 13. Sand Volleyball Complex**
750 N. Park Avenue

Discover AVONDALE

Where Every Season is a Celebration!



Visit www.AvonDaleAZ.gov/Events for more event details.

Avondale offers a year-round offering of exciting events. From cultural kaleidoscopes to patriotic spectacles, this city knows how to throw a party that will leave you with cherished memories. Immerse yourself in the festive spirit of Avondale, where culture, celebration, and the great outdoors come together!

Community Spirit

Billy Moore (Founders Day) Parade



Outdoor Bliss

Family Fishing Lessons



Halloween Haunts

A Spooky Spectacle



WinterFest Magic

Making Holiday Memories



Cultural Kaleidoscope

A Melting Pot of Traditions



Patriotic Pride

Saluting the stars and Stripes



Egg Hunts & Youth Art

Blossoms & Budding Artists



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OCTOBER 2024

BILLY MOORE DAYS

Avondale celebrates its history & heritage during this multi-day festival.

BARKS & TREATS

Bring your furry friends for a barking good time at our howl-o-ween pooch party.

CREEPIN CANDY CRAWL

Join us for this fun Halloween celebration!

NOVEMBER 2024

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

A festival to remember and honor our deceased loved ones. Visit: balletfolkloricoesperanza.org.

AVONDALE CHAMPIONSHIP OPEN

Join us for a great day of golf and giving. Register at: bgcaz.org/events.

AVONDALE VETERANS DAY FITNESS RUN & CEREMONY

A community celebration honoring our veterans with a 5k fun run & warriors' breakfast. Register at: estrelamountain.edu/vetfunrun.

DECEMBER 2024

WINTERFEST

Avondale turns into a winter wonderland with a visit from Santa and Elsa, annual tree lighting, and entertainment.

AVONDAZZLE DASH

Bring your holiday cheer and favorite winter costume to this new 1K, 5K & 10K run through the holiday lights at Avondale's Civic Center Complex.

FEBRUARY 2025

HOOT 'N' HUSTLE 5K

Go "owl out" at this 5K fun run through Old Town Avondale and Agua Fria High School's campus!

TRES RIOS NATURE FESTIVAL

A free festival about wildlife diversity, history, and culture.

MARCH 2025

DUNK 'N' DASH

Lace up your running shoes, grab your goggles, and dive into the excitement at the Avondale Dunk n' Dash. It's the ultimate test of fitness, fun, and community spirit!

APRIL 2025

KIDFEST

Friendship Park turns into a child's paradise! Celebrate with us & learn about the resources Avondale has to offer.

EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Join the Bunny and Chick in Avondale parks! Bring your camera and join us for some fun!

MAY 2025

AVONDALE FIESTA

Celebrate the rich heritage of the community at this Cinco De Mayo-inspired street festival.

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

Honoring those who have served with memorial exhibits, a musical tribute, & Flag Ceremony dedicated to the men and women who lost their lives in service to our nation.

JUNE 2025

JUNETEENTH

Join us for a fun event celebrating all things Juneteenth!

BLANK CANVAS SUMMER SHOWCASE

Aspiring artists are invited to participate! Artists will receive a FREE 18 x 24-inch canvas to create original artwork. Register at AvondaleAZ.gov/Rec.

JULY 2025

LIGHT UP THE SKY CELEBRATION

Come enjoy a variety of food trucks, play games, and enjoy live music before being dazzled by a 25-minute spectacular patriotic celebration.

*Events are subject to change. Please check www.AvonDaleAZ.gov/Events.

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DINING IN AVONDALE



YUMMY ADVENTURES AWAIT YOU HERE!

From fast casual spots perfect for a grab-and-go meal to the many Uniquely Avondale sit-down restaurants, Avondale's culinary landscape is as vibrant as it is delicious. Whether you're a fan of savory tacos, comforting burgers, or a fine dining experience, this city has something for everyone. This guide will take you through all the dining options in our city.



Restaurant locator



Color code denotes area of restaurant location within

- ▶ NORTHWEST AVONDALE (DYSART)
- ▶ SOUTHWEST AVONDALE (OLDTOWN)
- ▶ CITY CENTER
- ▶ NORTHEAST AVONDALE
- ▶ SOUTHEAST AVONDALE (GATEWAY)



AMERICAN

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- ▶ FLAVORS OF LOUISIANA (623) 935-2357
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- ▶ TJ'S HOMESTYLE RESTAURANT (632) 932-0309
- ▶ VILLAGE INN (623) 478-0895
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- ▶ 8-BIT ALEWORKS (623) 925-1650
- ▶ AGUILA'S HIDAWAY (623) 932-9394

- ▶ CLUB SANTA FE (602) 400-8601
- ▶ LIGHTHOUSE RESTAURANT & LOUNGE (623) 935-2471
- ▶ NARGELAH LOUNGE (623) 536-3324
- ▶ ROSATI'S SPORTS PUB (602) 455-1000
- ▶ SCALE & FEATHER MEADERY (623) 440-8931
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- ▶ BLACK ROCK COFFEE (602) 691-6199
- ▶ BOSA DONUTS (623) 522-8888
- ▶ CASITA KAHLO (623) 925-4766
- ▶ CHAMPIS BAKERY (623) 248-5854
- ▶ COLADOS COFFEE & CREPES (623) 215-3826
- ▶ COLD STONE CREAMERY (623) 932-9205
- ▶ COLDWATER COFFEEHOUSE AND BAKERY (480) 589-1158
- ▶ CREPELLA CREPES (623) 239-1020
- ▶ CREPE'S GARDEN (480) 659-9811
- ▶ CRISPY GLAZE DONUTS (623) 936-7009
- ▶ CRUMBL COOKIES (480) 937-0396
- ▶ DAILY DONUT (623) 398-7902
- ▶ DUTCH BROS (541) 955-4700
- ▶ PROOF BREAD (480) 270-8320
- ▶ JT BOBA HOUSE (623) 810-5426

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 - ▶ **KRISPY KREME**
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 - ▶ **LA MICHOCANA PREMIUM**
(623) 248-1397
 - ▶ **ZOYO NEIGHBORHOOD YOGURT**
(480) 597-6450
 - ▶ **MI PANADERIA**
(623) 932-3600
 - ▶ **MODERN GRIND**
(623) 248-4040
 - ▶ **OHANA HAWAIIAN SHAVE ICE**
(602) 694-5624
 - ▶ **PALETAS LA MICHOKANA**
(602) 373-9149
 - ▶ **PANADERIA LA CENTRAL**
(623) 882-0757
 - ▶ **RASPADOS NATURALES NEZA**
(602) 539-0373
 - ▶ **RASPADOS Y NEVERIA MI TRAILITA**
(602) 575-7007
 - ▶ **SODALICIOUS**
(602) 815-0632
 - ▶ **STARBUCKS**
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= (623) 872-1602 (INDIAN SCHOOL RD)
= (623) 907-0917 (MCDOWELL RD)
= (480) 944-7050 (BLVD)
= (623) 925-0267 (DYSART)
 - ▶ **SUSPIROS CAKES**
(623) 873-5252
 - ▶ **THE HUMAN BEAN**
(602) 860-2016
 - ▶ **YOGURTLAND**
(623) 936-6900
- FAST CASUAL**
- ▶ **CAFE ZUPAS**
(623) .696-3894
 - ▶ **CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL**
(623) 907-1122
 - ▶ **ONO HAWAIIAN BBQ**
(623) 536-0188

- ▶ **PEI WEI**
(623) 535-9830
 - ▶ **POTBELLY SANDWICH SHOP**
(602) 314-8369
 - ▶ **ROBEKS FRESH JUICES & SMOOTHIES**
(480) 219-9101
 - ▶ **SMASHBURGER**
(623) 936-3020
 - ▶ **THE HABIT BURGER GRILL**
(623) 936-1889
 - ▶ **WABA GRILL**
(623) 478-7685
 - ▶ **WORLD OF SOURDOUGH**
(623) 440-4192
 - ▶ **YOGIS GRILL**
(623) 936-8282
- FAST FOOD**
- ▶ **ARBY'S**
(623) 283-6831
 - ▶ **BURGER KING**
= (623) 643-9451 (BUCKEYE RD)
= (623) 230-2851 (VAN BUREN ST)
 - ▶ **CHICK-FIL-A**
(623) 907-4780
 - ▶ **DAIRY QUEEN**
(623) 772-5997
 - ▶ **DEL TACO**
(623) 932-4438
 - ▶ **EL POLLO LOCO**
(623) 936-1852
 - ▶ **HOT DOGS LA YAQUESITA**
(602) 500-6634
 - ▶ **IN-N-OUT BURGER**
(800) 786-1000
 - ▶ **JACK IN THE BOX**
= (623) 932-2058 (AVONDALE BLVD)
= (623) 374-3477 (MCDOWELL RD)
= (623) 935-4141 (RANCHO SANTA FE BLVD)
 - ▶ **JAMBA JUICE**
(623) 478-9250
 - ▶ **JIMMY JOHN'S**
(623) 643-9380

- ▶ **KFC**
(623) 925-0696
 - ▶ **LA PASADITA HOT DOGS**
(623) 230-3775
 - ▶ **MCDONALDS**
= (623) 478-3925 (MCDOWELL RD)
= (623) 935-2823 (RANCHO SANTA FE BLVD)
= (623) 877-6011 (107TH AVE)
 - ▶ **NEKTER JUICE BAR**
(800) 385-1650
 - ▶ **PANDA EXPRESS**
= (623) 907-1322 (MCDOWELL RD)
= (623) 882-1004 (VAN BUREN ST)
 - ▶ **PANERA BREAD**
(623) 889-6313
 - ▶ **POPEYES LOUISIANA KITCHEN**
(480) 647-9173
 - ▶ **PORTILLO'S HOT DOGS**
(480) 569-1880
 - ▶ **RAISING CANE'S CHICKEN FINGERS**
(623) 936-3000
 - ▶ **SALAD & GO**
(480) 400-0634
 - ▶ **SONIC DRIVE-IN**
= (623) 932-9100 (CENTRAL AVE)
= (623) 388-5887 (LOWER BUCKEYE RD)
 - ▶ **SUBWAY**
= (623) 936-1770 (99TH AVE)
= (623) 643-9371 (BUCKEYE RD)
= (623) 882-9503 (DYSART RD)
= (623) 772-5701 (INDIAN SCHOOL RD)
= (623) 742-9670 (MCDOWELL RD)
= (623) 535-1080 (RANCHO SANTA FE BLVD)
 - ▶ **TACO BELL**
= (623) 907-0160 (BUCKEYE RD)
= (623) 563-9800 (DYSART RD)
= (623) 877-1111 (INDIAN SCHOOL RD)
= (623) 643-9816 (MCDOWELL RD)
 - ▶ **WENDY'S**
(623) 478-0990
 - ▶ **WHATABURGER**
(623) 932-4934
- INTERNATIONAL**
- ▶ **AHI POKI BOWL**
(623) 242-9613

- ▶ **AJK CHINESE CUISINE**
(623) 935-9180
- ▶ **BACKSTREET ASIA BISTRO**
(623) 213-7080
- ▶ **CRISTINA'S SALVADOREAN FOOD**
(623) 249-4481
- ▶ **DRAGON GARDEN EXPRESS**
(623) 872-7866
- ▶ **EEST ASIAN BISTRO**
(623) 535-0902
- ▶ **EL TATAKI SUSHI & MEXICAN GRILL**
(623) 230-3668
- ▶ **GYROS AND MORE**
(623) 882-9100
- ▶ **INCA FUSION**
(623) 888-6598
- ▶ **INDIA GARDEN**
(623) 536-2320
- ▶ **NEW WOK CHINESE FOOD**
(623) 907-9699
- ▶ **NUMBER 1 BUFFET**
(623) 742-9892
- ▶ **PITA KITCHEN MEDITERRANEAN GRILL**
(623) 478-8900
- ▶ **PT PHO EXPRESS**
(623) 936-7633
- ▶ **RED DRAGON BUFFET**
(623) 925-0000
- ▶ **THAI ORCHID GARDEN RESTAURANT**
(623) 536-2800
- ▶ **TOKYO JOE'S**
(602) 883-4952
- ▶ **TRAPPER'S SUSHI**
(623) 248-1726
- ▶ **TWO HANDS SEOUL FRESH CORN DOGS**
(623) 463-5880
- ▶ **ZETA'S GRILL**
(623) 547-4612

- ITALIAN & PIZZA**
- ▶ **#1 BROTHERS' PIZZA**
(623) 936-9797
 - ▶ **BLAZE PIZZA**
(623) 455-6768
 - ▶ **CARRABBA'S ITALIAN GRILL**
(623) 936-0597
 - ▶ **DOMINO'S PIZZA**
= (623) 388-5900 (BUCKEYE RD)
= (623) 877-3030 (INDIAN SCHOOL RD)
 - ▶ **FIRED PIE**
(623) 266-7998
 - ▶ **HUNGRY HOWIE'S PIZZA**
(623) 535-1827
 - ▶ **LA BONA PASTA**
(623) 935-2233
 - ▶ **LITTLE CAESARS**
(623) 474-2338
 - ▶ **NYPD PIZZA**
(623) 536-6973
 - ▶ **PAPA MURPHY'S**
(623) 935-7117
 - ▶ **PARRY'S PIZZERIA & TAPHOUSE**
(623) 274-3031
 - ▶ **PETER PIPER PIZZA**
= (623) 882-0020 (DYSART RD)
= (623) 643-9142 (MCDOWELL RD)
 - ▶ **PIEOLGY**
(623) 907-0300
 - ▶ **PIZZA HUT**
= (623) 925-5810 (DYSART RD)
= (623) 772-1553 (INDIAN SCHOOL RD)
 - ▶ **PIZZA PATRON**
(623) 882-9494
 - ▶ **THE PASTA FACTORY**
(623) 932-9235
- MEXICAN**
- ▶ **ATLANTIS MEXICAN RESTAURANT**
(623) 312-2252
 - ▶ **BARRIO QUEEN**
(623) 257-3900
 - ▶ **CAFÉ ZAMORA**
(623) 925-0955

- ▶ **CARNITAS MICHOCANAS**
(623) 476-9429
- ▶ **CARNICERIA MI RANCHITO**
(623) 925-5676
- ▶ **CARNICERIA Y TAQUERIA SINALOA II**
(623) 936-5551
- ▶ **CAROLINA'S MEXICAN FOOD**
(623) 925-0808
- ▶ **CASA DE PLATA**
(623) 499-5499
- ▶ **DON PANCHO MEXICAN FOOD**
(623) 925-9430
- ▶ **FIESTA MEXICANA**
(623) 535-5010
- ▶ **FILIBERTOS MEXICAN FOOD**
= (623) 877-9171 (N 107TH AVE)
= (623) 248-6915 (S 107TH AVE)
= (623) 925-2678 (DYSART RD)
- ▶ **JACKY'S MEXICAN FOOD**
(623) 328-9425
- ▶ **LA FIESTA RESTAURANT**
(623) 925-8006
- ▶ **LEO'S TACOS & BURRITOS**
(623) 248-0219
- ▶ **LOS COMPADRES MARKET**
(623) 932-4000
- ▶ **MARIACHI'S MEXICAN FOOD**
(623) 535-0303
- ▶ **MARISCOS 7 MARES**
(623) 936-6005
- ▶ **MARISCOS LAS PLAYITAS**
(623) 907-1301
- ▶ **MI COCINA MEXICAN FOOD**
(623) 877-3673
- ▶ **PALOMA MEXICAN STREET FOOD**
(602) 237-6611
- ▶ **PICOSSITOS**
(623) 925-8400
- ▶ **RAUL & THERESA'S**
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- ▶ **ROSENDO'S TACO SHOP**
(623) 374-4048
- ▶ **ROSIE'S TACO SHOP**
(623) 440-7718
- ▶ **SUPER CARNICERIA LOS ALAMOS**
(623) 907-2200
- ▶ **TACOS EL YIVO**
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- ▶ **TACOS TIJUANA**
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- ▶ **TACOS CHILANGOS**
(623) 322-3236

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OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

EXPLORE LIKE A LOCAL Avondale's Trails & Outdoor Spots

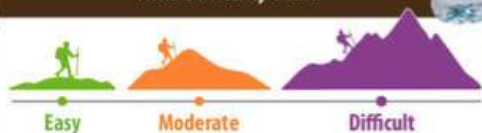
Whether you're up for an easy stroll or ready to tackle a rugged trek, Avondale has something for every type of explorer. So lace up your boots, grab your gear, and get ready to embrace the wild side!

Plan Ahead:

Bring plenty of water, slap on some sunscreen and a hat, and always let someone know where you're headed before you go. It's also smart to avoid hiking when it's over 100 degrees.



Hike Difficulty Scale



CRYSTAL GARDENS: Urban Trek

Crystal Gardens is a hidden gem for those looking to mix a casual walk with some nature. With over 4 miles of walking trails winding through wetlands, what started as a groundwater recharge project in the late '90s has evolved into a thriving habitat for over 150 bird species. It's perfect for birdwatching or just taking a break from the hustle and bustle. Keep an eye out for great blue herons, American coots, turtles, Canadian geese, and ducks. The trails are an easy walk, making it a great spot for all ages. For parking, you can either find a spot on a neighborhood street within the community or use the local fire station's lot at Avondale Fire Station #172. (1135 N 107th Ave, Avondale, AZ 85323)



GADSDEN TRAIL at Estrella Regional Park

Looking to up the ante? The Gadsden Trail, located just south of the Phoenix Raceway, runs through Maricopa County Park and was once part of the historic Gadsden Purchase. The trail features classic Sonoran Desert terrain - think towering saguaro cacti, creosote bushes, and wide open spaces that make you feel like you're miles away from civilization. You might spot a desert tortoise or catch sight of a roadrunner. There's a \$7 trail use fee at the park's entry. For more information, visit the Maricopa County Parks website at www.maricopacountyparks.net.

Access the trail from Avenida Estrella and Indian Springs Road, just west of the parking lots of the raceway.



MONUMENT HILL (Rattlesnake Hill)

Monument Hill, or Rattlesnake Hill as the local race fans call it, offers more than just a hike—it's a journey through Arizona history. This hill is home to a monument marking the Initial Point of the Gila and Salt River Baseline and Meridian, established back in 1851. This spot was the starting point for all land surveys in the Arizona Territory, making it a key location in the state's development. And yes, there's a reason it's called Rattlesnake Hill. The area is known for its rattlesnake population, so much so that during NASCAR season, officials clear the hill of snakes so fans can set up their folding chairs and watch the race worry-free. The hike itself isn't too tough, but the views from the top are worth it. On race weekends, you can even snag a seat on the hill to watch the action—for a fee, of course. To access the hill, park at a small parking lot just west of the raceway entry gates.

(7602 Jimmie Johnson Dr, Avondale, AZ 85323)



GILA RIVER TRAILS: Rugged and Unmarked

If you're the type who likes to blaze your own trail, the Gila River trails are calling your name. Located within the Base and Meridian Wildlife Area, these trails are more about exploring rugged terrain than following a marked path. This area is where the Salt and Agua Fria Rivers converge, creating a wild mix of desert and riparian environments. You might see beavers, mule deer, and a wide variety of birds. For more details, check out the Arizona Game and Fish Department website at www.azgfd.com/location/base-and-meridian-wildlife-area/. For parking, head to the Base and Meridian Wildlife Area, park at a small parking lot just west of the raceway entry gates (7602 Jimmie Johnson Dr, Avondale, AZ 85323).



GET TO KNOW THE WILD IN AVONDALE'S BACKYARD



The Base & Meridian (B&M) Wildlife Area is a 200-acre preserve managed by Arizona Game and Fish, right at the confluence of the Salt & Gila Rivers. This riparian habitat is a haven for nature lovers, offering recreational opportunities like fishing and some of the best birdwatching around. Common species include white-winged and mourning doves, Gambel's quail, coots, and the elusive Yuma clapper rail. Other critters you might encounter include beavers, bobcats, and even the occasional javelina or Sonoran mud turtle.



2024 – 2025 PHOENIX RACEWAY NASCAR RACE SCHEDULE



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2024 NASCAR CHAMPIONSHIP WEEKEND

**NASCAR CRAFTSMAN TRUCK SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP // ARCA
MENARDS SERIES WEST CHAMPIONSHIP**

Friday, November 8, 2024, 6 PM

Don't miss the kickoff to the 2024 NASCAR Championship Weekend with the Craftsman Truck Series Championship!

NASCAR XFINITY SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, November 9, 2024, 5:30 PM

Don't miss the XFINITY Series Championship returning to Phoenix Raceway!

NASCAR CUP SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Sunday, November 10, 2024, 1 PM

EXPERIENCE the thrill of the NASCAR Cup Series Championship returning to Phoenix Raceway!

2025 SPRING NASCAR WEEKEND

NASCAR XFINITY SERIES RACE

Saturday, March 8, 2025

Don't miss the XFINITY Series returning to Phoenix Raceway!

NASCAR CUP SERIES RACE

Saturday, March 9, 2025

Join us as the stars of NASCAR battle it out at Phoenix Raceway!

2025 NASCAR CHAMPIONSHIP WEEKEND

NASCAR CRAFTSMAN TRUCK SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Friday, October 31, 2025

Don't miss the kickoff to the 2025 NASCAR Championship Weekend with the NASCAR CRAFTSMAN Truck Series Championship!

NASCAR XFINITY SERIES RACE

Saturday, November 1, 2025

On Saturday drivers from the NASCAR Xfinity Series race take on Phoenix Raceway to be crowned a champion!

NASCAR CUP SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Sunday, November 2, 2025

The NASCAR Cup Series Championship returns to Phoenix Raceway! Watch as four drivers put it all on the line as they go head-to-head for the ultimate prize in NASCAR.