

OPTIONAL TOURS

Below are some of the tours and activities available in the Palm Springs area. (Pricing is approximate) Please contact The Westin Mission Hills Concierge for current pricing and reservations (760) 770-2153.

Palm Springs Aerial Tramway

Admission: \$22.95 Adults / \$15.95 Children (3-12)

The Palm Springs Aerial Tram on Mt. Jacinto is a true adventure! The rotating cable cars guide passengers 2-1/2 miles up the mountainside to a height of 8,516 ft. Up at the top, enjoy spectacular views, gift shops, a natural history museum and a movie about how the Tramway was built. Mount San Jacinto State Park offers 54 miles of hiking trails and guided mule rides. The first Tram up is 10am weekdays, 8am weekends; last Tram up 8pm and last Tram down 9:45pm. Cars depart at least every half hour. This trek to the top of the mountain is truly breathtaking—it's the only one of its kind in North America!

Celebrity Home Tour

Admission: \$25.00 Adults / \$12.00 Children (under 12) (1-1/2 hr tour); \$32.00 Adults (2-1/2 hr tour)

Acclaimed as the "playground of the stars" since the early days of Hollywood, Palm Springs boasts the luxurious homes of old-time favorites Elvis Presley, Bob Hope, Marilyn Monroe, Sonny Bono, Frank Sinatra and Cary Grant, as well as some of today's rich and famous— Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell, Pete Sampras and Jerry Weintraub. Guests will have the opportunity to get an up close and personal look at some of Palm Springs' most celebrated homes.

Smoketree Stables – Horseback Riding

Admission: \$35.00 per person (1 hr ride)

\$70.00 per person (2-hr ride)

Hour Rides beginning 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Experience a few quiet hours of "getting away from it all" on over 150 miles of convenient riding trails that provide both solitude and breathtaking beauty. Located in Palm Springs near the Indian Canyons, Smoke Tree Stables offers guided rides by the hour or for the entire day!

Jeep Adventures on the San Andreas Fault

Admission: \$120.00 per person (2-3 hr tours)

Choose from a wide range of packages, morning, afternoon or Sunset Tour.

Learn about geology, earthquakes, and the desert's history, plants, and animals as your Jeep winds its way through the amazing labyrinth of geological cuts and canyons of the San Andreas Fault Zone.

This tour includes numerous opportunities to get out of the Jeep and explore the desert "up-close-and-personal". Options include taking a nature walk or short hike, panning for gold at the Old Mining Camp, or exploring the Cahuilla Indian Village, EpiCenter Earthquake Education Center, or Pioneer Homestead.

Adventure Hummer Tours

Admission: \$159.00 per person. (4-hr tour)

Choose from a wide range of packages.

Take a ride aboard an H-1 open-air Hummer into the real desert! These tours will both thrill and educate you as we journey into both the third largest oasis in the world as well as into Joshua Tree National Park. We'll follow an old goldmine trail that takes you far from where other cars can go to a place long forgotten and we'll climb to the edge of a volcanic summit where you can see all the way to Mexico. Tours are offered every day both morning and afternoon.

The Living Desert Zoo and Botanical Gardens

Admission: \$11.95 Adults / \$7.50 Children (3-12)

Open daily 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

This 1,200-acre wild life and botanical park is accredited by the American Zoo and Aquarium Association. Featuring rare and endangered desert animals and African wildlife including Bighorn sheep mountain lions, Mexican wolves, cheetahs, giraffes and many more. Includes hiking trails, picnic areas, gift shops and native plants in the Wortz demonstration garden.

Palm Springs Air Museum

Admission: \$12.00 per person

Open daily from 10:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

The Palm Springs Air Museum contains one of the world's largest collections of flying World War II military aircraft. In addition to aircraft, there is an exquisite antique automobile collection from the 1920's and 30's. The museum contains approximately 5,000 sq. ft. of interior display space—you can find fine aviation art from small watercolors to massive murals throughout the institution.

Palm Springs Desert Museum

Admission: \$12.50 Adults / \$5.00 Children (6-17)
Open daily

Public and privately funded and a nationally accredited art and natural science facility. The museum includes galleries, Annenberg Theatre, Sculpture gardens, fine permanent collections, top changing exhibitions, lectures, concerts and classes.

Hot Air Ballooning

Admission: \$160.00 per person (1.5 hr flight)
Sunrise and sunset departures are available.

While floating in the skies above the desert, you'll view breathtaking vistas of picturesque landscapes—vineyards, world famous golf courses and exotic orchards. It is one of the most peaceful and surreal experiences you could have in a lifetime.

Enjoy a mid-air champagne celebration followed by a photo flight certificate for your keeping.

Places to explore on your own...

El Paseo

The Desert's very own Rodeo Drive—upscale, world-class shopping offers over 300 unique stores, restaurants, designer fashions specialty boutiques, jewelers, galleries and sidewalk cafes. This 2-mile strip features contemporary outdoor sculpture along the medians.

The River at Rancho Mirage

For exceptional food, shopping, entertainment and ambiance, look no further than The River, by day or night it buzzes with all the energy of a landmark.

Joshua Tree National Park

Admission: \$15.00 per car.
Open daily 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Mojave and Colorado deserts join together to form this park, approximately 1,241 square miles. Enjoy a variety of flora, wildlife sanctuary, tours, horse and hiking trails.

Indian Canyons

Admission: \$8.00 Adults / \$4.00 Children (6-12)
Open daily 8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Andreas, Murray and Palm Canyon are all located at the beautiful Indian Canyons. A natural oasis surrounded by palm trees, picnic grounds, an Indian Trading Post and incredible hiking paths.

