GROCERY STORES

Grocery Stores (Driving from Phoenix to Tucson):
Sprouts Farmer's Market located at 3860 W. River Road, Tucson AZ 85741 (SE corner of Orange Grove (I-10 exit 250) and River Road – one minute from Interstate 10.
Wal-Mart Supercenter located at 9260 S. Houghton Road, Tucson AZ 85747 (one mile north of I-10 on Houghton/I-10 exit 275).
Fry's Food & Drug located at 8080 S. Houghton Road, Tucson AZ 85747 (three miles north of I-10 on Houghton/I-10 exit 275).
Safeway located at 13380 E. Mary Ann Cleveland Way, Vail, AZ 85641 (2 mi north on Colossal Cave Rd. from Interstate 10 Exit 279, (11 minutes, 5.5 miles) from, and on way to RCR). Ready-to-eat Food Court (Salad Bar, Mexican, Asian, Chicken, sides etc.); fresh Take & Bake meals, huge deli & wine, Sushi Bar, and a huge grocery store to boot. Gas pumps. Use ranch phone (520) 760-5557 for sale prices.
Walgreen's located at 13542 E. Colossal Cave Road, Vail, AZ 85641 (2 miles north on Colossal Cave Rd. Interstate 10 Exit 279 – Across from Safeway).

Grocery Stores (Nearest the Ranch):
Rocking K Market located at 12660 E. Old Spanish Trail, Tucson, AZ 85747, (520) 450-0517, (5.1 miles, 6 minutes). Gourmet sandwiches, wines, cheeses, & deli. Loma Alta to Old Spanish Trail then right for 3 mi. On Left.
Safeway located at 13380 E. Mary Ann Cleveland Way, Vail, AZ 85641 (2 mi north on Colossal Cave Rd. from Interstate 10 Exit 279, 8 minutes from, and on way to RCR). Ready-to-eat Food Court (Salad Bar, Mexican, Asian, Chicken, sides etc.); fresh Take & Bake meals, huge deli & wine, Sushi Bar, and a huge grocery store to boot. Gas pumps. Use ranch phone (520) 760-5557 for sale prices.
Walgreen's located at 13542 E. Colossal Cave Road, Vail, AZ 85641 (2 miles north on Colossal Cave Rd. Interstate 10 Exit 279 - Across from Safeway). Also has two Red Box DVD kiosks
Wal-Mart Supercenter located at 2711 S. Houghton Road, Tucson AZ 85730 (twelve miles, 20 minutes) Old Spanish Trail then Left on Houghton Rd.)
Safeway located at 9460 E. Golf Links, Tucson AZ 85730 (thirteen miles, 23 minutes) Old Spanish Trail-Left on Escalante, Right on Houghton, Left on Golf Links.
Fry's Food & Drug located at 8080 S. Houghton Road, Tucson AZ 85747 (fourteen miles, 24 minutes RCR to I-10 West, north on Houghton at I-10 exit 275; or, South on Camino Loma Alta to Colossal Cave Rd. Go straight (becomes Mary Ann Cleveland) to Houghton. Right on Houghton, store on left at Rita Ranch).

Grocery Stores (Driving from Tucson International Airport to RCR):
Wal-Mart Supercenter located at 9260 S. Houghton Road, Tucson AZ 85747 (one mile north of I-10 on Houghton/I-10 exit 275).
Fry's Food & Drug located at 8080 S. Houghton Road, Tucson AZ 85747 (three miles north of I-10 on Houghton/I-10 exit 275).
Safeway located at 13380 E. Mary Ann Cleveland Way, Vail, AZ 85641 (2 mi north on Colossal Cave Rd. from Interstate 10 Exit 279, 8 minutes from, and on way to RCR). Ready-to-eat Food Court (Salad Bar, Mexican, Asian, Chicken, sides etc.); fresh Take & Bake meals, huge deli & wine, Sushi Bar, and a huge grocery store to boot. Gas pumps. Use ranch phone (520) 760-5557 for sale prices.
Walgreen's located at 13542 E. Colossal Cave Road, Vail, AZ 85641 (2 miles north on Colossal Cave Rd. Interstate 10 Exit 279 – Across from Safeway).

Grocery Stores (Eastside Tucson 25-35 minutes from the Ranch):
Trader Joe's located at 1101 N. Wilmot, Tucson AZ 85712 (twenty miles, 34 minutes. RCR to Old Spanish Trail. Turn right to Old Spanish Trail to Houghton Road. Right on Houghton Road to Speedway. Left on Speedway. Trader Joes on Right just after the light at Wilmot).
Sprouts Farmer's Market located at 7877 E. Broadway, Tucson AZ 85710. (sixteen miles, 29 minutes. RCR to Old Spanish Trail. Turn right to Old Spanish Trail to Camino Seco. Right on Camino Seco to Broadway. Left on Broadway. Sprout's on Right just after the light at Pantano).
Restaurants (Closest to RCR, 10-15 minutes):
Rocking K Market located at 12660 E. Old Spanish Trail, Tucson, AZ 85747, (520) 450-0517, (5.1 miles, 6 minutes). Breakfast, Salads, Sandwiches & Burgers, Bar, wines, cheeses, & deli. Open 8:00AM-8:00PM. Loma Alta to Old Spanish Trail then right for 3 mi. On Left.
Hacienda Grill at Del Lago Golf Club Located at 14155 E. Via Rancho Del Lago, Vail, AZ 85641, http://www.dellagogolf.net/dining/, (520) 647-3109. (Two and a half miles north on Colossal Cave Rd. Interstate 10 Exit 279 – on the way to Rincon Creek Ranch, or 5 miles, 9 minutes from RCR).
Marco's Pizza located next to the Safeway at 13370 E. Mary Ann Cleveland Way, Ste 114, Vail, AZ 85641, (520) 822-8322, marcos.com (2 mi north on Colossal Cave Rd. from Interstate 10 Exit 279, (11 minutes,5.5 miles) from, and on way to RCR). THEY DELIVER TO RCR! Give gate code & Casita # Montgomery's Grill & Saloon Best “Watering Hole” close to the Ranch! Typical American fare. Located at 13190 E. Colossal Cave Rd. #190, Vail AZ 85641, http://www.montgomerysvail.com/, (520) 762-0081. (One mile north on Colossal Cave Rd. Interstate 10 Exit 279 – on the way to Rincon Creek Ranch, or 6.5 miles, 11 minutes from RCR).
Arizona Pizza Company Located at 13190 E. Colossal Cave Rd. #160, Vail AZ 85641,(520) 762-5500, https://www.yelp.com/biz/arizona-pizza-company-vail-3. (One mile north on Colossal Cave Rd. Interstate 10 Exit 279 – on the way to Rincon Creek Ranch, or 6.5 miles, 11 minutes from RCR). THEY DELIVER TO RCR! Give them your gate code and tell them “Casita #1-6 Up the Hill”
Fito's Taco Shop Mexican Fast Food. Located 13303 E. Colossal Cave Rd., Vail AZ 85641, (520) 762-8888, 6:00 AM-9:45PM, 7 days/wk, https://www.facebook.com/Fitos-Taco-Shop-1781140622109700/. (One mile north on Colossal Cave Rd. I-10 Exit 279 – on the way to RCR, or 7 mi, 11 min from RCR).
Terrace Cafe at Colossal Cave Typical fast food/ Snack bar fare. Located within Colossal Cave Mountain Park located at 16721 E. Old Spanish Trail, Vail, AZ 85641, http://ColossalCave.com, (520) 647-7275. (6 miles, 13 minutes from RCR). South on Camino Loma Alta, Left on Old Spanish Trail to Colossal Cave Mountain Park.

Restaurants (within 20-25 minutes of RCR):
Jerry-Bob's Family Restaurant Typical family restaurant American fare. Located at 7545 S. Houghton Rd. #155, Tucson AZ 85747. (520) 574-9060. (13 miles, 20 minutes from RCR). South on Camino Loma Alta to Colossal Cave Rd. Go straight (becomes Mary Ann Cleveland) to Houghton. Right on Houghton, Jerry-Bob's on right.


Restaurants (Tucson Favorites - Downtown):


Cafe Poca Cosa  Tucson favorite for over 20 years. Chef/Owner Suzana Davila – Mexico City inspired cuisine. Located at 110 E. Pennington Street, Tucson, AZ 85701. http://CafePocaCosaTucson.com/, (520) 622-6400, (29 miles, 35 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Congress/Broadway Street exit 258. Turn right on Congress/Broadway to Scott Ave. Turn left onto Scott Ave., continue across Congress Street and go another 3/4 block to parking garage entrance. Poca Cosa on garage ground floor, North end.

El Charro  Tucson favorite for decades. Traditional Mexican food. Located at 311 N. Court Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701. http://www.ElCharroCafe.com/, (520) 622-1922, (29 miles, 37 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Congress Street exit 258. Turn right on Congress/Broadway to light at Granada Avenue. Left onto Granada then right onto Franklin Street, then take third right onto Court Avenue, and go ½ block to El Charro on right.

Cup Cafe Hotel Congress  Hip, Funky, Tucson favorite for decades. Eclectic American Fare. Located at 311 E. Congress Street, Tucson, AZ 85701. http://www.HotelCongress.com/Food/, (520) 798-1618, (30 miles, 38 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Congress Street exit 258. Turn right on Congress/Broadway to Toole Avenue. Turn left onto Toole Avenue, then left onto Congress Street and go ½ block to Hotel Congress on right. Remember to pick up any pennies off the floor.

Agustin Kitchen  Open for only a couple of years with one chef change, but well liked. Chef Erica Bostick-Escham. American and classic French cuisine. Located at 100 South Avenida del Convento #150, Tucson, AZ 85745. http://AugustinKitchen.com/, (520) 398-5382, (29 miles, 34 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Congress Street exit 258. Turn left (West) onto Congress. Go under freeway to Avenida Del Convento. Turn left onto Avenida Del Convento and go ½ block to Agustin Kitchen on right.

Cafe A-La-Carte  Now offering dinner. Executive Chef/Owner Mark Jorbin's continues expanding his offering of exquisite cuisine. Great garden patio dining. Located at 150 N. Main, Tucson, AZ 85701, http://www.cafealacarttucson.com/, (520) 628-8533. (29 miles, 34 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Congress Street exit 258. Turn right on Congress/Broadway to Granada Avenue (light). Left at Granada, go one block to Alameda (light), and turn right. Go one block on Alameda to Main Street and make a left. Go ½ block on Main to Cafe A-La-Carte on right. Parking at meters is free in Tucson after 5:00 PM.

Penca  Chic restaurant with central Mexico cuisine. Located at 50 E. Broadway, Tucson, AZ 85701. http://www.pencarestaurante.com/, (520) 203-7681, (29 miles, 35 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Congress Street exit 258. Turn right on Congress/Broadway and go ¾ mile to Scott Avenue (Penca will be on your right immediately before Scott Avenue, but no parking. Turn left (north) on Scott Ave. and go 1 3/4 blocks to parking garage entrance on right (Free on Weekends and after 5:00 PM).
47 Scott  Downtown bistro favorite since 2010. Phyllo covered chicken and Braised beef short rib are our favorites. Located at 47 N. Scott Ave, Tucson, AZ 85701. http://www.47Scott.com/, (520) 624-4747, (29 miles, 35 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Congress/Broadway Street exit 258. Turn right on Congress/Broadway to Scott Avenue. Turn left onto Scott Avenue, continue across Congress Street and go another ½ block to 47 Scott on left, Parking garage entrance across from 47 Scott on right.


Elvira's  Newly opened sister to highly successful Elviras in Tubac. Excellent Mexican Cuisine. Located at 256 E. Congress Street, Tucson, AZ 85701. http://www.elvirasrestaurant.com/, (520) 499-2302, (30 miles, 38 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Congress Street exit 258. Turn right on Congress/Broadway to Toole Avenue. Turn left onto Toole Avenue, then left onto Congress Street and go 2 blocks to Elvira's on left (at Arizona Avenue).


Cafe Coronet  Fine Dining. Now in their sixth year, but a new location. Chef Mahmoud “Moody” Elbarasi. Opened by Sally Kane, the granddaughter of Marvin and Fan Kane, the owners, and Jud Kane, the operator, of Tucson's only Mobil 5-Star restaurant, The Tack Room (closed in 2000). Located at 198 W. Cushing Street, Tucson, AZ 85705. http://CoronetTucson.com/, (520) 222-9889, (29 miles, 36 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Silverlake/29th Street exit 259. Continue 1.7 miles on the Freeway frontage road to Granada Avenue. Turn right onto Granada then 0.1 miles to Cushing Street. Turn Right onto Cushing then 0.3 miles to Cafe Coronet on right.

Restaurants (Tucson Favorites – Citywide):

Baja Cafe  Hands down the Best breakfast in Tucson. Terrific lunches also. Incredibly prepared and tasty food with a Southwest flare. Twelve varieties of eggs benedict. Full bar. Long wait at peak hours. http://www.BajaCafeTucson.com/, (520) 495-4772, (18 miles, 29 minutes from RCR). Old Spanish Trail, Right on Houghton, Left on Broadway, Left on Kolb then immediate right into shopping center on right. Baja Cafe is about halfway down the strip.


Kingfisher  Opened in 1993. Chef Jim Murphy – Seafood and American Cuisine. Located at 2534 E. Grant Road, Tucson, AZ 85716. http://www.KingfisherTucson.com/, (520) 323-7739, (31 miles, 42 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Kino Parkway/Ajo Road exit 263. Turn right onto Kino Parkway (becomes Campbell Avenue). Go five miles to Grant Road. Turn right onto Grant Road and go 0.6 miles (just past the light at Tucson Boulevard). Kingfisher is on right.

Blue Willow  Tucson staple for decades. Eclectic menu. Patio dining. Located at 2616 N. Campbell Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85719. http://bluewillowtucson.com/, (520) 327-7577, (31 miles, 42 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Kino Parkway/Ajo Road exit 263. Turn right onto Kino Parkway (becomes Campbell Avenue). Go five and 1/2 miles (about four blocks past the light at Grant Road). Blue Willow is on right.


Wildflower  Opened in 1998 and consistently voted in top five of Tucson's best restaurants. Sam Fox's Restaurant Concepts New American - Continental cuisine. Located at 7037 N. Oracle Road, Tucson, AZ 85704. http://foxrc.com/restaurants/wildflower-american-cuisine/, (520) 2319-4230, (40 miles, 52 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Prince Road exit 254. Turn right on Prince Road to Flowing Wells Road. Turn left onto Flowing Wells (becomes La Canada Road) and go 4 1/2 miles to Ina Road. Turn right onto Ina and go one mile to Oracle Road. Wildflower at corner of Ina/Oracle on right.

Destination Restaurants (Sonoita, Benson, and Bisbee):


The Steakout Restaurant  Terrific traditional western steakhouse in the heart of cattle country. Located at 3243 AZ State Highway 82, Sonoita, AZ 85637. http://www.azsteakout.com/, (520) 455-5205, (35 miles, 43 minutes from RCR). RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 25 miles to AZ-82. Turn left (east) onto AZ-82. The Steakout immediately on right (SE corner of AZ State Highways 83 & 82.

The Cafe  Owner/Chef Adam Puckle. Superb Lunch and Dinner fare. Dinner Th, Fri, Sat only. Very good Fish & Chips. Located at 3280 AZ State Highway 82, Sonoita, AZ 85637. http://www.CafeSonoita.com/, (520) 455-5044, (35 miles, 43 minutes from RCR). RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 25 miles to AZ-82. Turn left (east) onto AZ-82. Go about half a mile. The Cafe is on left.

Cafe Roka  5-Star cuisine in the heart of Bisbee. Chef Rod Kass. Located at 35 Main Street, Bisbee, AZ 85603. http://caferoka.com/, (520) 432-5153, (85 miles, 1 Hr 35 Min from RCR). RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to Benson 4th/Street/AZ-80 exit 303. Continue 2.3 miles to AZ-80. Turn right (south) onto AZ-80 and go 23.5 miles to Tombstone. Continue on AZ-80 through Tombstone for another 24.5 miles to the exit ramp to Old Bisbee. Turn left onto Tombstone Canyon Road, then the next left is Main Street. Park at any of the open lots in this area and walk to the restaurant and the various shops in the Old Bisbee town center.

Copper Brothel Brewery  Craft beers, Full bar, Typical bar dining fare. Located at 3112 AZ Highway 83, Sonoita, AZ 85637. http://www.copperbrothelbrewery.com/, (520) 405-6521, (37 miles, 45 minutes from RCR). RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 25 miles to AZ-82. Continue across AZ-82 for a half mile. Copper Brothel Brewery on Right.
Destination Restaurants (Tubac-Nogales):

**Firefly Restaurant**  Plain interior, but nice outdoor garden dining. Superior American Cuisine and terrific service in a very out-of-the-way location. Owner/Chef Gavin Rychener. Located at 3001 E. Frontage Road, Amado, AZ 85645. https://www.fireflyrestaurantaz.com/, (520) 398-3028, (44 miles, 1 Hr from RCR). RCR to I-10. Continue across I-10 (becomes Wentworth Rd.) for 4.5 miles to Sahuarita Rd. Turn right and go 16 miles to I-19 Exit 75. take I-19 South to Exit 48 (Amado/Arivaca Road) Go east on Arivaca Road to Frontage Road and turn right (south) for about 0.2 miles to Territory Lane. Turn left and go 0.1 miles to Firefly (or Longer Route: I-10 West to I-19 South then to Amado).

**Elvira's** Upscale Mexican restaurant in historic Tubac. Located at 2221 S. Frontage Road Tubac Arizona,85646  http://www.elvirasrestaurant.com/ (520) 398-9421. (54 miles, 1 Hr 4 Min from RCR), RCR to I-10. Continue across I-10 (becomes Wentworth Rd.) for 4.5 miles to Sahuarita Rd. Turn right and go 16 miles to I-19 Exit 75. take I-19 South to Exit 34 (Tubac). Turn left (east) on Calle Barrio de Tubac to the east frontage road and turn left (north). Go about 0.5 miles to Plaza Road then continue going straight for another 0.1 miles to your next right and turn into La Entrada de Tubac center and Elvira's (or Longer Route: I-10 West to I-19 South, then to Tubac).

**The Stables at Tubac Country Club** Upscale Restaurant featuring Continental cuisine at the Tubac Golf Resort and Spa. Indoor and patio dining. Located at 65 Avenida de Otero, Tubac Arizona,85646 https://tubacgolfresort.com/stables-grill/ (520) 398-2678. (55 miles, 1 Hr 6 Min from RCR), RCR to I-10. Continue across I-10 (becomes Wentworth Rd.) for 4.5 miles to Sahuarita Rd. Turn right and go 16 miles to I-19 Exit 75. take I-19 South to Exit 34 (Tubac). Turn left (east) on Calle Barrio de Tubac to the east frontage road and turn left (north). Go about 1.2 miles to Avenida de Otera then turn right into Tubac Country Club and Stables Restaurant (or Longer Route: I-10 West to I-19 South, then to Tubac).

**Foodies:** Check out “Taste of Tucson” under Activities
ACTIVITIES NEAR RINCON CREEK RANCH

Horseback Riding:
Colossal Cave is located about 10 minutes from the Ranch at 16721 E. Old Spanish Trail, Vail AZ 85641 (https://colossalcave.com/stables-and-petting-zoo/). There is also a cave tour, petting zoo, museums, gift shop, cafe, and picnic area. Call (520) 647-3450 or (520) 298-8980. NOTE: ALL SALES/BOOKINGS FINAL. NO REFUNDS IF CANCELLED.


Caverns:
Colossal Cave is located about 10 minutes from the Ranch at 16721 E. Old Spanish Trail, Vail AZ 85641 (http://colossalcave.com) (520) 647-7275. Walking tours, ladder tours, and wild cave tours. Also museums, gift shop, picnic area and an outdoor cafe. Horseback riding also available. Call (520) 647-3450.

Kartchner Caverns State Park is located about 40 miles (36 minutes) from the Ranch at 2980 AZ-90, Benson, AZ 85602 (http://azstateparks.com/Parks/KACA/) (520) 586-2283. You do need reservations, so be sure to visit the website and call in advance.

Jeep Tours: We recommend Trail Dust Adventures (www.TrailDustAdventures.com) (520) 747-0323. They have a tour that goes over the Rocking K Ranch property located 5 miles away (6 minutes). Be sure to tell them you are staying at the Rincon Creek Ranch, and that you are interested in the tours that go out on the Rocking K. You can meet them at the gate directly across from the Rocking K Market at 12660 E Old Spanish Trail, Tucson AZ 85747.

Hiking: Gated trail access into Saguaro National Park is located 250 feet from your Casita door. Access to the Arizona Trail is located 3.5 miles via the SNP trail from our trail gate. You can also drive to a Mountain Bike accessible trail head five minutes from the Ranch. Tucson is surrounded my four mountain ranges with peaks as high as 9157 feet (Your casita is at 3040 feet). Great hiking can be found all around. About fifteen or twenty minutes away is a network of over twenty trails that cover the lower portion of Saguaro National Park. The SNP Visitor’s center is fifteen minutes down the road.

Bird Watching: RCR is a transition zone property with Sonoran desert, riparian mesquite bosque, lightly treed pasture, and large lawns. It s a great place for birding. We have developed a bird list with over 145 species that you might spot. The list is available in your casita along with a pair of full size binoculars for your use. We have six hummingbird nests under our porch. Also visit Agua Caliente Park, located about 10 miles northeast of us (as the bird flies). The park is located at 12325 E. Roger Road, Tucson, AZ 85749. http://webcms.pima.gov/cms/one.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=1503. Another world-famous birding attraction is in the town of Willcox, located 1 hour 10 minutes away, (70 miles) on Interstate 190. Each January the Willcox Playa is the site of one of the largest Sandhill Crane gatherings in the world. See http://www.wingsoverwillcox.com/. Also, Ramsey Canyon, located in the Santa Rita Mountains south of the ranch (1 hour 25 minutes, 71 miles, 71 miles - very scenic drive) is world-famous primarily for the 15 species of hummingbirds that live there. See http://www.nature.org/ourinitiatives/regions/northamerica/unitedstates/arizona/placesweprotect/ramsey-canyon-preserve.xml.

For great Birding also visit:
Whitewater Draw Wildlife Area Located at 8512 N. Coffman Road, McNeal, AZ 85617 (1hr 40 minutes, 85 miles from RCR), https://www.azgfd.com/wildlife/viewing/wheretogo/whitewater/, (520) 642-3763. This is the premier waterfowl habitat in Arizona! Owned by AZ Game & Fish. 1500 acres with trails and overlooks. Take I-10 east to to Benson 4th/Street/AZ-80 exit 303. Continue 2.3 miles to AZ-80. Turn right (south) onto AZ-80 and go 23.5 miles to Tombstone. About 4 miles out of Tombstone at milepost 321, turn left onto Davis Road. Continue 21.6 miles to Coffman Road on Right (dirt). Turn right onto Coffman Road and go 2.6 miles to the Whitewater draw Wildlife Area on Right.
Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum  Located at 2021 N. Kinney Road, Tucson, AZ 85743, (520) 883-1380. (42 miles, 55 minutes from RCR), www.DesertMuseum.org. Very large Hummingbird Aviary, and the Raptor Free Flight Show should not be missed! RCR to I-10 West. I-10 west to I-19 South, Exit 260. I-19 South to Ajo Road Exit 99. Turn Right onto Ajo Road and go 5 miles to Kinney Road. Turn right onto Kinney Road and go 7.8 miles to Desert Museum on left.

The Paton Center for Hummingbirds  Located at 477 Pennsylvania Avenue, Patagonia, AZ 85624 (58 minutes, 48 miles from RCR), http://www.tucsonaudubon.org/work/patons.html, (520) 415-6447. Owned/Operated by The Tucson Audubon Society. Open to the public, free of charge, dawn to dusk. Great birding and picnic area concentrating on the hummingbirds of SE Arizona. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 25 miles to AZ-82. Turn right (west) on AZ-82 and go 13 miles to 4th avenue, Turn right (north) onto 4th avenue and go about 0.15 miles to the 'T' intersection with Pennsylvania Street. Turn left (south) onto Pennsylvania street and go about 0.3 miles to the Paton Center on left.

Patagonia/Sonoita Creek Preserve  Located at 150 Blue Heaven Road, Patagonia, AZ 85624 (60 minutes, 50 miles from RCR), http://www.nature.org/ourinitiatives/regions/northamerica/unitedstates/arizona/placesweprotect/patagonia-sonoita-creek-preserve.xml, (520) 394-2400. Owned/Operated by The Nature Conservancy, open to the public. $6 per person. 873 acres containing Two miles of Sonoita creek wetland riparian habitat with trails and pasture. Great birding and picnic area. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 25 miles to AZ-82. Turn right (west) on AZ-82 and go 13 miles to 4th avenue, Turn right (north) onto 4th avenue and go about 0.15 miles to the 'T' intersection with Pennsylvania Avenue. Turn left (south) onto Pennsylvania Avenue which becomes Blue Heaven Road and go about 1.5 miles to the Preserve Visitor's Center on left.

Birding Guides: All day birding tours for couples for $250 traveling all around the Tucson area.  East-West Birding Tours Ken Blankenship; KenBlankenship@comcast.net, (770) 317-8486  http://eastwestbirdingtours.com/  Fun Birding Tours Richard Fray; Richard@FunBirdTours.com (520) 394-4224, toll free (855) 888-6446  http://www.arizonabirder.com/

Stargazing:  Arizona Star Tours For private viewing here at the Ranch. Owner Benjamin Loker brings out Professional Quality telescopes for couples and private groups for a flat fee of $349 for two hours of viewing. He also conducts public viewing events at local resorts nearly every weekend that are open to the public. Contact Benjamin at (520) 688-1871, or email him at info@AZStarTours.com, or visit his website at www.AZStarTours.com.  Kitt Peak National Observatory Visit https://www.noao.edu/kpvc/Prog/nighttime.php for more info on nighttime tours, or https://www.noao.edu/kpvc/Prog/index.php for general visitor and tour info. The Observatory is located west of Tucson in the Quinlan Mountains on the Tohono O’odham Reservation, (77 miles, 1 Hr 40 minutes from RCR). Visitor's Center & Museum Open 9:00 AM – 3:45 PM, no fee. Telescope tours throughout the day, and several nighttime programs. Reservations must be made online for programs and special tours.

Mount Lemmon Observatory/UofA SkyCenter located northeast of Tucson in the Santa Catalina Mountains, 9800 E. Ski Run Road, Tucson, AZ  (47 miles, 1 Hr 24 minutes from RCR). They offer several several nighttime programs. Reservations must be made in advance for programs and special tours. See http://skycenter.arizona.edu/programs/public/skynights for tickets and reservations.

Bicycling (Road & Mountain):

The ranch is located one mile from Tucson’s extensive network of paved bike paths. You can also bike right from the ranch to the Loma Alta Trailhead and mountain bike the Arizona Trail.

Cycle Tucson - Bicycle Rentals and Tours (http://CycleTucson.com) (520) 245-6011. Contact the owners, Gary and Jessie Menard. Delivery and Pick-up. They rent Cannondale road bikes, mountain bikes, hybrids, and more. Bikes can be ready and waiting at your casita., supplied with service kits, helmets, gloves, pedals, maps and souvenir water bottle.
Tucson Bike Rentals (AKA BikeTucson.com) (http://TucsonBikeRentals.org) (800) 873-8828. They rent road bikes, mountain bikes, hybrids, and more. Bikes can be ready and waiting at your casita, supplied with service kits, helmets, pedals and maps. Contact owner, Robert Lewis (520) 260-8293.

Golf:
Del Lago Golf Club Located at 14155 E. Via Rancho Del Lago, Vail, AZ 85641, http://www.dellagogolf.net/golf/, (520) 647-1100. (Two and a half miles north on Colossal Cave Rd. Interstate 10 Exit 279 – on the way to Rincon Creek Ranch, or 5 miles, 9 minutes from RCR).

Forty-Niner's Golf Course Located at 12000 E. Tanque Verde Road, Tucson, AZ 85749, http://fortyninercc.com/, (520) 749-4925.(16.4 miles (27 minutes) Old Spanish Trail-Right on Freeman, Left on Speedway, Right on Tanque Verde Loop, Right on Tanque Verde. Course on right). Rincon Mountain Bar & Grill at clubhouse.

Hot Air Ballooning (Cold weather Only):
Fleur de Tucson Highly recommended. Flights of 60-90 minutes over Tucson Mountain Park. $250 per person. Meet at Denny's restaurant, usually around 6:30 AM, 4920 W. Ina Road, Tucson, AZ 85743 (43 minutes, 39 miles from RCR). Private launch area 7 minutes from Denny's. 4-5 occupants max. https://www.fleurdetucson.net/. Call Becky (520) 403-8547.
Balloon America Flights of about an hour over East Tucson-Rincon & Catalina foothills. $249 per person. Meet & Launch from La Mariposa, 1501 N. Houghton Road, Tucson AZ 85749, around 7:00 AM (25 minutes, 15 miles from RCR). https://balloonridesusa.com/. Call Ron Miller at (520) 299-7744.

Wine Tasting:
Sonoita/Elgin Vineyards: The Sonoita-Elgin area, located about one hour (45 miles) from the Ranch, is home to over a dozen vineyards almost all of which offer tours and wine tasting.
http://arizonawine.org/visit-az-wine-country/sonoita/. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 25 miles to AZ-82. See the AZ Winetrail map at website for directions to the individual wineries. For transportation and wine tours, we recommend Arizona Sunshine Tours (520) 803-6713, http://www.sonoitawinetours.com/. Also Goldstar Town Car, Chris Kerr, (520) 490-5406, http://GoldstarAZ.com, For lunch, we recommend The Cafe at 3280 AZ State Highway 82, or the Steakout restaurant located on the southeast corner of the intersection of AZ State Highways 83 & 82.
Willcox Vineyards: Willcox, located about one hour and ten minutes (70 miles) from the Ranch. About 75% of the grapes grown in Arizona come from Willcox. It is home to over a dozen vineyards almost all of which offer tours and wine tasting. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to Exit 336 (Haskell Avenue/State 186). Go about 3.6 miles to the intersection with Maley Street/AZ-186. Go right for one block to Railroad Avenue. This is the heart of Historic Downtown Willcox. There are several museums and wine tasting rooms along Railroad Avenue. See Wines of Willcox Wine Map:
In addition to the restaurants shown on the map, the Double S Steakhouse at 1201 W. Rex Allen Drive is recommended.

Closest to RCR is Charron Vineyard. One of the best tasting atmospheres. Located at 18585 S. Sonoita Highway, Vail, AZ 85641. http://www.charronvineyards.com/, (520) 762-8585, (22 minutes, 16.4 miles). RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 6.5 miles. Charron Vineyard is on left.
**Massage:** Book your massage with Tammy Malak, NCBTMB (520) 465-7484. Massage available in your casita, or in our Massage Therapy room located in Luella-Boomer Hall. Typically $110 for sixty minutes. Call Tammy for details and exact prices. Sessions customized to your particular needs.

**Culinary and Historic/Cultural Tours:**
Taste of Tucson Culinary and Cultural/Historic tours of Tucson., http://tasteoftucsondowntown.com. TasteofTucsonDowntown@gmail.com. Contact Sherry Weiss (520) 425-4243 or Elysa Crum (520) 904-2119. Meet at Agustin Kitchen Courtyard 100 South Avenida del Convento. (29 miles, 34 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Congress Street exit 258. Turn left onto Congress. Go under freeway to Avenida Del Convento. Turn left onto Avenida Del Convento and go ½ block to Agustin Kitchen on right.

**Ghost Towns & Offroading:**
See several day trips through Southern Arizona Ghost Town area in the "Attractions" section below.
Attraction (Driving from Phoenix to Tucson):
Rooster Cogburn Ostrich Ranch located at 17599 E. Peak Lane, Picacho AZ 85141, Open 9:00AM-5:00 PM Friday-Monday. www.RoosterCogburn.com, (520) 466-3658. (One mile on frontage road on West side of I-10. Exit Picacho Peak Rd. Interstate 10 Exit 215, then turn left (South East) on frontage road. We have never visited this attraction, but we have heard from many people that it is a really neat, inexpensive, attraction. Primarily an Ostrich and Deer feeding/petting zoo. It also has a walk-in feeding avairy and, yes, monster truck rides/tours.

Biosphere 2 located at 32540 S. Biosphere Road, Oracle AZ 85739, http://biosphere2.org/, (520) 838-6200. Owned and operated by the University of Arizona. Originally funded by Ed Bass, and designed as a research habitat duplicating Biosphere 1 (Earth). Daily tours. From I-10 south of Phoenix, take the AZ-187/AZ-387 Exit 185 toward Coolidge/Florence. Turn left onto AZ-187/Pinal Rd. and go 0.4 miles to AZ-387. Turn right onto AZ-387 and go 7 miles to AZ-87. Turn right onto AZ-87 and go 7 miles to AZ-287. Continue straight and go another 8 miles to Florence. Turn right onto AZ-79 and go 42 miles to AZ-77. Turn left onto AZ-77 and go 5.5 miles to Biosphere Road on right. Turn right onto Biosphere road and go 3.4 miles to Biosphere 2. To continue to RCR (63 miles, 1 hour 15 minutes away), take AZ-77 south towards Tucson (becomes Oracle Road) and go 28 miles to the Miracle Mile. Turn Right onto Miracle mile and go 2 miles to I-10 East. Once back on I-10 East continue to the Vail Exit 279 and follow website directions to RCR.

Attraction within 10-20 minutes of RCR:
Rincon Memorial Cemetery Located at 13100 E. Old Spanish Trail, Tucson, AZ 85747, (4.5 miles, 10 minutes from RCR), Search www.findagrave.com for Rincon Memorial Cemetery, Pima County, Arizona. Founded by RCR founder, Gilbert Acosta, and several other prominent Rincon Valley ranchers including, Ray Ruiz, Dr. W.H. Kenner, and William S. Hughes, Miguel, Frank, &Joe Escalante, and Frank Castillo all worked to clean up and protect the site. RCR to Old Spanish Trail. Turn right on Old Spanish Trail (towards town) and go 3 miles. Cemetery on left.

Rincon Valley Farmer's Market Located at 12500 E. Old Spanish Trail, Tucson, AZ 85747, (5.5 miles, 10 minutes from RCR), http://www.rvfm.org/, Operated by Heirloom Farmers Markets (520) 882-2157. Saturdays 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Produce, crafts, & mexican food. RCR to Old Spanish Trail. Turn right on Old Spanish Trail (towards town). Go 3 miles. Farmer's Market on left at the big green & white barn. Santa Rita Shrine Located at 13260 E. Colossal Cave Road, Vail, AZ 85641, (6.5 miles, 12 minutes from RCR), http://www.stritainthedesert.org Catholic Shrine and church built by Caroline Takamine Beach, to honor her late husband, Dr. Takamine, who was a successful scientist whose patents included Adrenalin. He was also instrumental in the donation from Japan to Washington D.C. of 2000 cherry trees in 1909. RCR to Camino Loma Alta. Turn Left (south onto Camino Loma Alta and continue across Old Spanish Trail to Colossal Cave Road. Shrine/Church on left after crossing first set of railroad tracks, but before the second set of tracks.

Historic Vail Post Office Located at 13105 E. Colossal Cave Road, Vail, AZ 85641, (6.4 miles, 12 minutes from RCR), http://vailpreservationsociety.org/blog/old-vail-store-post-office/ Several display boards around the remains of the historic adobe building recount Vail's history, and the history of the Vail Post Office. RCR to Camino Loma Alta. Turn Left (south onto Camino Loma Alta and continue across Old Spanish Trail to Colossal Cave Road. Adobe Post Office building on right just after crossing first set of railroad tracks, but before second set of tracks.

Colossal Cave Located at 16721 E. Old Spanish Trail, Vail AZ 85641 (http://colossalcave.org) (520) 647-7275. (6.5 miles, 14 minutes from RCR) Walking tours, ladder tours, and wild cave tours. Also museums, gift shop, picnic area and an outdoor cafe. Horseback riding provided by the Saguaro Stables owners next door. Contact Nuja (pronounced "Nadja") or Regina at (520) 647-3450. and be sure to mention you're staying at RCR. South on Camino Loma Alta, Left on Old Spanish Trail to Colossal Cave Park.

Saguaro National Park Visitor's Center Located at 3693 S. Old Spanish Trail, Tucson, AZ 85730, (9.5 miles, 16 minutes from RCR), https://www.nps.gov/sagu/index.htm, (520) 733-5153. Nature walks, indoor displays, loop drive. RCR to Old Spanish Trail. Turn right on Old Spanish Trail (towards town) and go 7 miles. Visitor's Center on right.

Tucson Area Attractions:
Pima Air and Space Museum Located at 6000 E. Valencia Road, Tucson, AZ 85706, (520) 574-0462. (22 miles, 30 minutes from RCR), www.PimaAir.org Rivals the Smithsonian Air & Space Museum. Over 300 historical aircraft on 80 acres. Open 7 days a week, Flight Grill Cafe. RCR to I-10 West. I-10 west to Exit 267, Valencia Road. Turn right onto Valencia road and go 1.5 miles. Museum on right.

Tucson Speedway Located at 11955 S. Harrison Road, Tucson, AZ 85747, (520) 762-1600. (15 miles, 23 minutes from RCR), www.TucsonSpeedway.com. 3/8 mile paved oval. NASCAR Whelen Series. Races Saturday Nights. RCR to I-10 West. I-10 west to Exit 275, Houghton Rd. Left onto Houghton for 2.0 miles to Dawn Rd. Turn right and go 1 mile to Harrison Rd. Turn right and go ¼ mi. Track on right.

Tucson Dragway Located at 12000 S. Houghton Road, Tucson, AZ 85747, (520) 762-9700. (13.5 miles, 21 min from RCR), www.TucsonDragway.com. NHRA ¼ mile asphalt strip. Races Saturday Nt. RCR to I-10 West. I-10 west to Exit 275, Houghton Rd. Left onto Houghton for 1.5 mi. Track on right.

Mini Time Machine - Miniatures Museum Located at 4455 E. Camp Lowell Drive, Tucson, AZ 85712, (520) 881-0606. (23 miles, 41 minutes from RCR), www.TheMiniTimeMachine.org Fascinating museum of miniature houses, furnishings, and dioramas. Allow three hours to see everything. Checkout flashlights at museum desk and watch intro video to make the most of your visit. Open Tu-Sat 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Sun 12:00 PM – 4:00 PM Closed Mondays & Holidays. Old Spanish Trail, Right on Freeman, Left on Speedway, Right on Kolb. Kolb becomes Grant crossing Tanque Verde Rd. Grant to Swan. Right on Swan to Camp Lowell, Left on Camp Lowell. Museum on right.

Reid Park Zoo Located at 3400 E. Zoo Court, Tucson, AZ 85716, (520) 791-4022. (27 miles, 36 minutes from RCR), www.ReidParkZoo.org 24 acres with more than 500 animals. A very nice park like atmosphere with natural habitats. RCR to I-10 West. I-10 west to Exit 265, Alvernon North. Turn right onto Alvernon Way and go 1.75 miles to 22nd street. Turn left on 22nd street and go 1 mile to Randolph Way. Turn right onto Randolph way and go 0.25 miles to Zoo Court, then turn left into Zoo.


Southern Arizona Transportation Museum Located at 414 N. Toole Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701, (520) 623-2223. (30 miles, 38 minutes from RCR), http://tucsonhistoricdepot.org/ Historic depot filled with wonderful exhibits and original Southern Pacific locomotive #1673. RCR to I-10 West. I-10 to Congress/Broadway Street exit 258. Turn right on Congress/Broadway to 6th Avenue. Turn left onto 6th Avenue, continue across Congress to Pennington. Right on Pennington to Toole Ave. Right on Toole Ave. SATM immediately on left, next door to Maynard's Restaurants.

San Xavier del Bac Located at 1950 W. San Xavier Road, Tucson, AZ 85746, (520) 294-2624. (35 miles, 41 minutes from RCR), www.SanXavierMission.org. Mission founded in 1692 by Father Eusebio Kino. Open to Public 7:00 AM-5:00 PM. Sunday Mass 8:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:30 AM. Mon-Fri Mass 6:30 AM, 8:30 AM. RCR to I-10 West. I-10 west to I-19 South, Exit 260. I-19 South to San Xavier Road Exit 92. Turn Right onto San Xavier Road and go just over a mile to the Mission.

Old Tucson Studios Located at 201 S. Kinney Road, Tucson, AZ 85735, (520) 883-0100. (39 miles, 51 minutes from RCR), http://OldTucson.com. Old west movie studio and theme park. RCR to I-10 West. I-10 west to I-19 South, Exit 260. I-19 South to Ajo Road Exit 99. Turn Right onto Ajo Road and go 5 miles to Kinney Road. Turn right onto Kinney Road and go 5 miles to Old Tucson Studio on right.

Kitt Peak National Observatory

Located west of Tucson in the Quinlan Mountains on the Tohono O’odham Reservation, (77 miles, 1 Hr 40 minutes from RCR), www.noao.edu/kpvc/Visitor's Center & Museum Open 9:00 AM – 3:45 PM, no fee. Telescope tours throughout the day, and several nighttime programs. Reservations must be made online for programs and special tours. Please note Observatory is at 7000 feet above sea level. Also, US Border Patrol Check Point on AZ-86 requires all non-US visitor's to present passports. No gasoline available, and no restaurants at the observatory. Picnic area is available. No WiFi and cell phone use is prohibited. No overnight parking. RCR to I-10 West. I-10 west to I-19 South, Exit 260. I-19 South to Ajo Way Exit 99. Turn Right onto Ajo Way/AZ 86 and go 36.8 miles to AZ-386. Turn left onto AZ-386 and go 12 miles to the Kitt Peak Observatory Site.

Day-Trip Attractions (towards Sonoita/Elgin and Patagonia):

Sonoita/Elgin Vineyards

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The Paton Center for Hummingbirds

Located at 477 Pennsylvania Avenue, Patagonia, AZ 85624 (58 minutes, 48 miles from RCR), http://www.tucsonaudubon.org/work/patons.html. Owned/Operated by The Tucson Audubon Society. Open to the public, free of charge, dawn to dusk. Great birding and picnic area concentrating on the hummingbirds of SE Arizona. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 25 miles to AZ-82 (Sonoita). Turn right (west) on AZ-892 and go 13 miles to 4th avenue, Turn right (north) onto 4th avenue and go about 0.15 miles to the 'T' intersection with Pennsylvania Street. Turn left (south) onto Pennsylvania street and go about 0.3 miles to the Paton Center on left.

Patagonia/Sonoita Creek Preserve

Located at 150 Blue Heaven Road, Patagonia, AZ 85624 http://www.nature.org/ourinitiatives/regions/northamerica/unitedstates/arizona/placesweprotect/patagonia-sonoita-creek-preserve.xml, (520) 394-2400. Owned/Operated by The Nature Conservancy, open to the public. $6 per person. 873 acres containing Two miles of Sonoita creek wetland riparian habitat with trails and pasture. Great birding and picnic area Concentrating on the hummingbirds of SE Arizona. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 25 miles to AZ-82 (Sonoita). Turn right (west) on AZ-82 and go 13 miles to 4th avenue, Turn right (north) onto 4th avenue and go about 0.15 miles to the 'T' intersection with Pennsylvania Avenue. Turn left (south) onto Pennsylvania Avenue which becomes Blue Heaven Road and go 1.5 miles to the Preserve Visitor's Center on left.(60 min, 50 mi from RCR).

Patagonia Lake State Park

Located at 400 Patagonia Lake Road Nogales, AZ 85621 (1 hour 15 minutes, 60 miles from RCR), http://azstateparks.com/Parks/PALA/, (520) 287-6965. Fishing, camping, boat rental, picnicking, hiking, and birding. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to Benson 4th/Street/AZ-80 exit 303. Continue 2.3 miles to AZ-80. Turn right (south) onto AZ-80 and go 23.5 miles to Tombstone. Bisbee (1 hour 35 minutes, 85 miles from RCR), Quaint historic western town. Numerous shops, art galleries, museums, and saloons. Cafe Roka at 35 Main Street offers superb dining. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to Benson 4th/Street/AZ-80 exit 303. Continue 2.3 miles to AZ-80. Turn right (south) onto AZ-80 and go 23.5 miles to Old Bisbee. Continue on AZ-80 through Tombstone for another 24.5 miles to the exit ramp to Old Bisbee. Turn left onto Tombstone Canyon Road, and go 0.1 miles to the Old Bisbee public parking. Old Bisbee shops, museums, and restaurants are best visited by walking the old narrow alleys, numerous staircases.

Day-Trip Attractions (towards Tombstone & Bisbee):

Tombstone

(1 hour 6 minutes, 58 miles from RCR), http://www.tombstoneweb.com/ “The Town to Tough to Die” (but struggling). Walk Allen and Toughnut Streets to see most of the historic sites and attractions. Visit the Bird Cage Theater/Museum (6th & Allen), The Courthouse Museum (3rd & Toughnut), the Rose Tree (4th & Toughnut). Shoot real guns at the Big Iron, and see gunfight shows at the OK Corral (Allen between 3rd & 4th). RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to Benson 4th/Street/AZ-80 exit 303. Continue 2.3 miles to AZ-80. Turn right (south) onto AZ-80 and go 23.5 miles to Tombstone. Bisbee (1 hour 35 minutes, 85 miles from RCR), Quaint historic western town. Numerous shops, art galleries, museums, and saloons. Cafe Roka at 35 Main Street offers superb dining. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to Benson 4th/Street/AZ-80 exit 303. Continue 2.3 miles to AZ-80. Turn right (south) onto AZ-80 and go 23.5 miles to Tombstone. Continue on AZ-80 through Tombstone for another 24.5 miles to the exit ramp to Old Bisbee. Turn left onto Tombstone Canyon Road, and go 0.1 miles to the Old Bisbee public parking. Old Bisbee shops, museums, and restaurants are best visited by walking the old narrow alleys, numerous staircases.
Day-Trip Attractions (towards Benson/Willcox):

**Old Tucson's Mescal Location**
Located at 1538 N. Mescal Road, Benson, AZ 85602 (35 minutes, 29 miles from RCR). A full western town satellite studio constructed by Old Tucson Studios. Private, but periodically open to the public for tours. Contact Old Tucson Studios for info (520) 883-0100. No services or shops. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to the J-Six Ranch Road Exit 297. Turn left onto J-Six Ranch Rd./Mescal Rd. and head north 3.2 miles. Mescal Studio is on left at base of mountain.

**Benson Historical Museum**
Truly exceptional small museum. Curator Judy Lee. Located at 180 S. San Pedro Street, Benson, AZ 85602, (520) 586-3134 (214) 284-1010, (41 minutes, 35 miles from RCR). RCR to I-10 East. I-10 East to Benson Business Exit 303. Exit road becomes 4th Street. Continue 2.1 miles, Right on San Pedro, 2 blocks to 5th Street, Museum on right.

**Gammon's Gulch Old West Town & Movie Set**
Located at 331 W. Rockspring Lane, Benson, AZ 85602 (60 minutes, 48 miles from RCR), www.GammonsGulch.com, (520) 212-2831. Created by Jay and Joanne Gammons. This little hidden gem lets visitor's step back into the old west without all the tourist trappings. **Call ahead before visiting.** No stores or restaurants. Visit the Horseshoe Cafe located at 154 E 4th Street in Benson for lunch/dinner. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to the Pomerene Exit 306. Go north on the Pomerene road which becomes Cascabel road for 8.5 miles to Rockspring road. Turn left onto Rockspring road for about ¼ mile and look for the log wall fence.

**Bowlins "The Thing":** Reminiscent of the famous Wall Drug in South Dakota. Souvenir/tourist stop located at I-10 Exit 322. "The Thing" museum has undergone numerous incarnations over the last 50 years. The latest emphasizes the interaction of aliens and dinosaurs on historic events. Dairy Queen onsite. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Thing_(roadside_attraction)]

**Amerind Foundation**
Located at 2100 N. Amerind Road, Dragoon, AZ 85609 (55 minutes, 50 miles from RCR), www.Amerind.org, (520) 586-3666. Founded by Wm. Shirley Fulton. Extensive American Indian museum. No stores or restaurants. Visit the Horseshoe Cafe in Benson for lunch/dinner. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to the Dragoon Road Exit 318. Turn right onto Dragoon Road and go 1 mile to Amerind Road. Turn left onto Amerind Road and go ½ mile to the museum. Watch for the Texas Canyon Pioneer Cemetery/Dragoon Cemetery about a ¼ mile after turning onto Amerind Road.

**Willcox Wine Country:** Willcox is located about one hour and ten minutes (70 miles) from the Ranch. About 75% of the grapes grown in Arizona come from Willcox. It is home to over a dozen vineyards almost all of which offer tours and wine tasting. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to Exit 336 (Haskell Avenue/State 186). Go about 3.6 miles to the intersection with Maley Street/AZ-186. Go right for one block to Railroad Avenue. This is the heart of Historic Downtown Willcox. There are several museums and wine tasting rooms along Railroad Avenue. See Wines of Willcox Wine Map: [http://www.willcoxwines.com/assets/wines_of_willcox_arizona_tasting_room_map_v_12.pdf]

**Big Tex BBQ** offers dining in a historic train car. In addition to the restaurants shown on the map, the Double S Steakhouse at 1201 W. Rex Allen Drive is recommended. Museums include the Chiricahua Museum, Rex Allen Museum, and Marty Robbins Museum. Vineyards are located throughout the area. [Apple Annie's Orchards:](https://www.appleannies.com/) (520) 384-2084. Open July 1st to October 31st. Visitor's may pick their own fruit and produce. The fruit orchard is located at 2081 W. Hardy Road, Willcox, AZ 85643, and the produce farm is located at 6405 W. Williams Road, Willcox, AZ 85643. Their Country Store is located at 1510 N. Circle I Road, Willcox, AZ 85643, (520) 766-2084, Open Daily 8-5.

**Dos Cabezas:** A ghost town except for a few residents remaining. The truly fascinating Dos Cabezas Pioneer cemetery is located on the south side of the road 13.6 miles east along AZ-186 from the Haskell/Maley intersection in Willcox. Look for Maj. Wm Downing and John F. Yoder.

**Fort Bowie National Historic Site:** [https://www.nps.gov/fobo/index.htm](https://www.nps.gov/fobo/index.htm), Located another 8.5 miles east along AZ-186 from the Dos Cabezas Cemetery To Apache Pass Road. Turn left (north) onto the dirt road and go 8 miles to the Parking/Trailhead. Hike about 0.1 miles to the first ruin. Another 0.5 miles to the Butterfield Stage Station ruin, and another 0.1 miles to the Ft. Bowie Cemetery. 0.5 miles from the cemetery to the Visitor's Center and Fort. [https://www.nps.gov/fobo/planyourvisit/upload/FOBOParkmMap3.pdf](https://www.nps.gov/fobo/planyourvisit/upload/FOBOParkmMap3.pdf)

**Chiricahua National Monument:** [https://www.nps.gov/chir/index.htm](https://www.nps.gov/chir/index.htm) Located further east along AZ-186. From the AZ-186/Apache Pass Road intersection, go another 8 miles east then south to the intersection with AZ-181 (32 miles from Willcox). Turn left (east) for about 4 miles to the monument entrance. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chiricahua_National_Monument#/media/File:Chiricahua_park99.jpg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chiricahua_National_Monument#/media/File:Chiricahua_park99.jpg)
**Day-Trip Attractions (towards Sierra Vista):**

Kartchner Caverns State Park is located about 40 miles (36 minutes) from the Ranch at 2980 AZ-90, Benson, AZ 85602 (http://azstateparks.com/Parks/KACA) (520) 586-2283. Very well preserved, extensive cave. You do need reservations, so be sure to visit the website and call in advance. Located in the Whetstone Mountains along AZ State Highway 90 on the way to Sierra Vista/Fort Huachuca/Bisbee. A little out of the way if traveling to Tombstone or Sonota/Elgin, but a loop is possible. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east AZ-90 Exit 306

**Day-Trip Attractions (towards Tubac & Nogales):**

There are two routes to the Tubac/Nogales area from RCR:

Route 1 via I-10/I-19 Interchange. This is the long route, but along the way you pass Mission San Xavier Del Bac (see above). RCR to I-10 West. I-10 west to I-19 South, Exit 260. I-19 South to Tubac (1 hour 20 minutes, 70 miles), and Nogales (1 hour 35 minutes, 92 miles from RCR).

Route 2 via Sahuarita Road. Shorter route, but bypasses San Xavier Mission. RCR to I-10. Continue across I-10 (becomes Wentworth Rd.) for 4.5 miles to Sahuarita Rd. Turn right and go 16 miles to I-19 Exit 75. take I-19 South to Tubac (1 hour 9 minutes, 55 miles), and Nogales (1 hour 27 minutes, 75 miles from RCR).

**Titan Missile Museum** Located at 1580 Duval Mine Road, Sahuarita, AZ 85629, (520) 625-7736. www.titanmissilemuseum.org. Preserved ICBM Titan II in silo. Visit all eight levels of the underground bunker. Leave I-19 at Exit 69 Duval Mine Road. Turn right. Go 0.8 miles to Museum entrance, on right.

**Tubac** Where art and history meet. Numerous shops, galleries, and restaurants. http://tubacaz.com/, Leave I-19 at Exit 34. Turn left at stop sign and go under I-19 to Frontage Road. Turn left on Frontage Road and go about ¾ mile to Tubac main entrance on right.

**Tumacacori Historic National Park** Mission founded by Father Eusebio Kino, and reconstructed at its present site in 1751. https://www.nps.gov/tuma/learn/historyculture/tumacacori.htm. 1891 E. Frontage Rd, Tumacacori, AZ 85640. (520) 377-5060. Leave I-19 at Exit 34. Turn left at stop sign and go under I-19 to Frontage Road. Turn right onto Frontage Road and go 2.75 miles to mission entrance on left.

**Nogales** Gateway into Mexico. Nogales, Arizona is the destination shopping spot for visitors from Mexico, while Americans enjoy curio shopping and price haggling available south of the border in Nogales, Sonora. **Its best to leave I-19 at Exit 8** (I-19 Business Loop/Grand Avenue). Go about 3 miles to newer shops at Mariposa Road. Go another 1.5 miles to the beginning of the older shopping district. Grand Avenue splits becoming Arroyo Blvd one-way south and rejoins Grand Avenue one-way north at Crawford Street. **Turn around (left) at Elm Street and go no farther than Crawford Street (u-turn), or you will be trapped into crossing the border and going at least a mile into Mexico (No U-turns).**

**Day-Trip Attractions (Ghost Towns):**

**Kentucky Camp-Harshaw-Mowry-Washington Camp-Duquesne**

This trip is best done as an out-and-back. From the Ranch to the last site, Duquesne, is 67 miles. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east 2 miles to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 21 miles to the Gardner Canyon Road. Turn right on Gardner Canyon Road and continue a quarter-mile to Forest Service Road 163. Turn right on Forest Service Road 163 and continue approximately 5 miles to the junction of 163 and the entrance to Kentucky Camp. Kentucky Camp used to be one of the best kept ghost town secrets as nearly all of the buildings were standing. One of Bill's favorites in his early days. About 20 years ago the forest service decided to restore it as a Ranger Station. Now it is mixed use, but still picturesque. Returning back to AZ-83, turn right (south) and go 4 miles to AZ-82 (Sonoita, about 45 minutes from RCR), then right on AZ-82 and go another 13 miles to Patagonia. Take the first left after entering town, Taylor Avenue, and go one block to Harshaw Road. Turn left onto Harshaw Road/FR 49 (Paved for first 6 miles, then 4WD required) and go 8 miles to Harshaw. You will cross a small bridge designed by Bill, built by the WLB Group. His first after college. Harshaw has several residents but many of the original structures are abandoned and there is an old cemetery. Continue on Harshaw Rd./Forest Rd. 49 another 8 miles to Mowry. The town is a true ghost town and the original structure walls are still standing. Continue another 4.5 miles on Harshaw Rd./Forest Rd. 49 to Washington Camp. The mill structure is right next to the round and several building ruins are visible. Another mile down the road is Duquene. Several picturesque structures are still standing, but there are residents and some are not too welcoming.
Amerind Museum-Pearce-Courtland-Gleeson-Tombstone
A nice day trip through the Sulphur Springs Valley area of Southern Arizona (130 mi, 3 hrs 20 min driving time). Trip can be done as a clockwise loop (described) or a counter clockwise loop. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east 40 miles to Dragoon Road exit 318. A ½ mile onto Dragoon Rd. turn left onto Amerind Rd. and go another ½ mile to the museum. Along the way there is a small old cemetery. The Amerind Museum is one of the best museums of early native american history in the country https://www.amerind.org/. Returning to Dragoon road, head another 13 miles east to Hwy 191. turn right (south) on Hwy191 and go 8.5 miles to the Ghost Town Trail. Continue another mile to Pearce. Technically no longer a ghost town as it has been swallowed up by the town Sunsites, it still has many of the old adobe buildings standing. Continue heading south on the Ghost Town Trail for 8.5 miles to Courtland. Of particular note is an old adobe building standing on the east side of the road which was the jail. Unfortunately about 20 years ago vandals made of with the steel bar windows and about 5 years before that the old steel door vanished. The old mill structure remains along with numerous foundations. Another 5 miles south on the Ghost Town Trail, the dirt road turns right (west) and becomes Gleeson Road. Continue just under a mile to Gleeson. The population varies. Most of the old adobe structures are abandoned, but more and more, these towns are repopulating. https://www.legendsofamerica.com/az-ghosttowntrail/. Heading west another 14.5 miles brings you to the outskirts of Tombstone. Turn Left (south) on Camino Rafael and go just over a mile to Fremont Street/AZ-80. Turn right on Fremont/AZ-80 to go through town. Then it is 24 miles to Benson and another 34 miles back to RCR. Food is available in Tombstone and Benson. We recommend the Depot Steakhouse, 60 S. 10th Street or the Longhorn, 501 E. Allen Street. Best food is in Benson at the Horseshoe Grill, 154 E 4th Street, Benson, AZ.

Sunnyside & Parker Canyon Lake
The only ghost town in Southern Arizona with buildings constructed primarily of wood boards. On the inside of one structure the board seams are sealed with a “wall paper” consisting of the pages from World War One era Scientific American magazines, https://www.legendsofamerica.com/az-sunnyside/. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east 2 miles to to AZ-83 exit 281. Turn right (south) onto AZ-83 and go 25 miles to AZ-82 (Sonoita, about 45 minutes from RCR), then continue on AZ-83 another 20 miles to Parker Canyon Lake Road. Stay right for about a ½ mile to go to the lake (about 1 hr 35 min from RCR). The lake has nature trails, fishing, and a small marina http://www.parkercanyonlake.com/. Bear left on AZ-83 for another 2 miles to Sunnyside Road. Turn left and head about 2 ½ miles up into the forested mountains (4WD required) to the ghost town of Sunnyside. At our last visit, there were no residents, but from time to time Ghost Towns are repopulated by lone artists and other recluses.

Total Wreck Mine
This is a great trip for just 4WD off-roading. The mine site is about 30 miles from the Ranch. After you turn off I-10, 19 miles from the Ranch, there is a whole network of 4WD roads. We can't give specific directions, as many of the roads are un-named. Here is a website that does a good job of directing you to the Mine Site. https://www.desertrambler.com/total-wreck-mine.html. Bill's been there several times, but the last time was about 30 years ago.
The Lost Barrio Numerous Old Mexico furniture and art shops. Don’t miss Rustica (the best) – ask for Umberto http://rusticatucson.com/ Located along Park Avenue (200-320 S. Park Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85719) between 12th Street and Manlove Street, https://www.thelostbarrio.com/ (29 miles, 37 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Kino Parkway exit 263. Turn right on Kino Parkway and go 3.2 miles to Broadway Boulevard. Left at Broadway, go about ¾ mile to Park Avenue (easy to miss), and turn left. Go two blocks on Park Avenue. Rustica on right begins the row of shops.

Main Gate Square Shopping district at the University of Arizona. Boutiques, shops, bookstores, bars, and restaurants Located along University Boulevard between Euclid and Park Avenues. http://www.maingagesquare.com/, (520) 622-8613, (29 miles, 37 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Park Avenue exit 262. Turn right on Park Avenue (becomes Euclid Avenue) and go 3.3 miles to University Boulevard. Shopping district continues on University Boulevard to the right for two blocks. Parking at meters is free in Tucson after 5:00 PM, and on weekends.

Mercado San Agustin Innovative local shops and restaurants (See Agustin Kitchen in Restaurants). Located at 100 S. Avenida Del Convento, Tucson, AZ 85745, (520) 622-2002, http://mercadosanagustin.com/, (29 miles, 34 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Congress Street exit 258. Turn left (West) onto Congress. Go under freeway to Avenida Del Convento. Turn left onto Avenida Del Convento and go ½ block to Mercado San Agustin on right. Also visit the adjacent MSA Annex!

La Encantada Tucson's premier mall. Upscale shops (Crane & Barrel, Pottery Barn, Louis Vuitton, Tiffany, Williams-Sonoma), and several restaurants (North, Firebirds). Located 2905 E. Skyline Drive, Tucson, AZ 85718 (Northwest corner Skyline Drive and Campbell Avenue), (520) 299-3566, http://www.laencantadashoppingcenter.com/, (30 miles, 50 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Houghton, Left on Speedway, Right on Kolb. Kolb becomes Grant crossing Tanque Verde Rd. Grant to Craycroft. Right on Craycroft, left at Sunrise. Sunrise Drive becomes Skyline Drive. Skyline Drive to Campbell Avenue. Right onto Campbell Avenue. La Encantada on left.

Tucson Premium Outlets Over 60 outlet stores. Located just off the freeway on the far northwest side of town (on the way to Phoenix) at 6401 W. Marana Center Boulevard, Tucson, AZ 85742 http://www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/tucson, (520) 385-7726. (46 miles, 43 minutes from RCR). I-10 to Twin Peaks Road exit 244. Turn right onto Twin Peaks. At the second right (Marana Center Blvd.), turn right into the mall.

Tubac Where art and history meet. Numerous shops, galleries, and restaurants. (1 hour 6 minutes, 55 miles from RCR), http://tubacaz.com/, RCR to I-10 West. I-10 west to I-19 South, Exit 260. I-19 South to Tubac Exit 34. Turn left at stop sign and go under I-19 to east Frontage Road. Turn left on Frontage Road and go about 1/2 mile to Plaza Road, Tubac's main entrance, on right.

Bisbee (1 hour 35 minutes, 82 miles from RCR), Quaint historic western town. Numerous shops, art galleries, museums, and saloons. Cafe Roka at 35 Main Street offers superb dining. RCR to I-10 East. Take I-10 east to to Benson 4th/Street/AZ-80 exit 303. Continue 2.3 miles to AZ-80. Turn right (south) onto AZ-80 and go 23.5 miles to Tombstone. Continue on AZ-80 through Tombstone for another 24.5 miles to the exit ramp to Old Bisbee. Turn left onto Tombstone Canyon Road, and go 0.1 miles to the Old Bisbee parking. Old Bisbee is best visited on foot (narrow alleys & numerous staircases).