

Come Play In Palm Springs

18 Free Things To Do In Palm Springs

NO MATTER HOW DEEP YOUR POCKETS, WHO DOESN'T LOVE "FREE?!" If you want a bash without forking out cash, check out these 18 great ways to enjoy Palm Springs absolutely free.

TAKE A HIKE

See Southern California's most breathtaking scenery and tallest mountain ranges... The Coachella Valley Hiking Club, 345-6234: Desert Trails Hiking Club 760-340-2256. www.cvhikingclub.net

RIDE YOUR BIKE

Palm Springs has miles of well-marked and maintained trails. Pick up a map at the Leisure Center. 401 S. Pavilion Way, or call 323-8274 or at the Official Visitors Center 800-347-7746.

VISIT VILLAGEFEST

Every Thursday night from 7-10 p.m. glamorous Palm Canyon Drive becomes an old fashioned street fair, musicians, food, arts and crafts vendors, and a Farmers Market. Between Amado and Baristo Roads. www.villagefest.org

HAVE A PICNIC

Ruth Hardy Park, Sunrise Park, and DeMuth Park offer pleasant, shady spots to picnic, complete with tables, barbecues, and playground equipment.

VILLAGE GALLERY WALK

You can spend the afternoon gallery hopping and enjoying fine art, sculptures, and unique boutiques on Palm Canyon Drive. Check out the local papers for the frequent art fairs held in Francis Stevens Park and Sunrise Park.

SOAK UP THE SUN

Palm Springs has 350 days of sunshine every year. That just may be the reason why everyone is in such a good mood.

HIT THE COURTS

Free court time is available at some of the city's best locations; DeMuth Park, Palm Springs High School, and Ruth Hardy Park.

FEEL THE SPIRIT OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE

At the Agua Caliente Cultural Museum Information Center in the Village Green downtown to get a glimpse into the lives of the

LISTEN TO MUSIC

Continually changing special events, musicians, and jam sessions at Peabody's Coffee Bar, Las Casuelas Terraza, Blue Coyote Grill, Sammy's at the Vineyard, Melvyn's Restaurant and the Village Pub.

FOLLOW THE STARS

Palm Springs has its own "Walk of Stars", on the sidewalks of Palm Canyon Drive in downtown. Just walk outside after dark and lookup at millions of stars you'll never see in the big city.

SHOP THE WINDOWS

Stroll world famous Palm Canyon Drive. Offering unique and interesting shopping.

CHECK OUT THE LIBRARY

Our award winning Palm Springs Public Library has free wireless internet access as well as computers to use in the library. Extensive DVD, audio book, and CD collections, international reference services, Video Conferencing services, assorted free Adult and Children's programming, and much more. Call for hours: 760-322-READ www.palmsprings-ca.gov

STROLL THE PALM SPRINGS ART MUSEUM

Enjoy changing contemporary art, and excellent permanent Western art and Cahuilla basketry collection, a sculpture garden, gift shop, and restaurant. FREE admission Thursdays after 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Phone: 760-325-7186. www.psmuseum.org

SPOT A VAST ARRAY OF WILDLIFE

The Big Morongo Wildlife Reserve and Covington Park is a noted wildlife sanctuary, with a picnic area and hiking trails. Wednesday - Sunday, 7:30 a.m. - sunset. North of Palm Springs in Morongo Valley. Phone: 760-363-7190. www.bigmorongo.org

CATCH A CONCERT

The City of Palm Springs Recreation Division features a Fall Concert Series, along with many other free activities throughout the year. Bring a picnic supper and enjoy an evening under the stars. Phone: 760-323-8272.

DROP IN TO THE SENIOR CENTER

The Palm Springs Mizell Senior Center is open weekdays from 8 a.m. - 5p.m., with many special activities on weekends and evenings. Many activities are free, with a minimal charge for others. Phone: 760-323-5689. www.mizel.org

TAKE YOUR DOG TO THE PARK

Palm Springs Dog Park open around the clock, a green doggie oasis with enclosed area for small dogs. 222 Civic Dr. North (behind City Hall). Phone: 760-323-8299.



ancient Cahuilla Indians. Hours:10 a.m. - 4
p.m. daily. Phone: 760-323-0151.

www.accmuseum.org

EXPLORE AN OASIS

The 13,000 acre Coachella Valley Preserve has springs, dunes, mesas, hiking, and riding trails. Thousand Palms Oasis has a Visitors Center and picnic areas. Sunrise to sunset just 10 miles east of Palm Springs near Thousand Palms. Phone: 760-343-1234.

coachellavalleypreserve.org

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