# **Local Recommendations**



## **WELCOME CENTER**

We are a proud sponsor of the California Welcome Center in Yucca Valley and an active participant in the Desert Regional Tourism Agency. These organizations promote mindful tourism in our local area and help educate visitors about the High Desert's offerings. The California Welcome Center maintains an up-to-date website with information on activities, dining and entertainment, shopping, etc. at: california welcome center.com

## EATING & DRINKING

Grab BBQ, beer, and live music at Pappy & Harriet's or French-inspired California cuisine at La Copine Kitchen in Flamingo Heights when they are open. The Red Dog Saloon (an icon in Pioneer town since 1946) just reopened with cocktails, tacos, and fried cinnamon sugar tortillas. Giant Rock Meeting Room is a coffeeshop in Landers offering delicious pizza a few nights a week, and Frontier café dishes out consistent coffee, snacks and take-out. Both Country Kitchen and Crossroads Café have a great diner style breakfast and Yucca Tree Eatery has divine juices and vegetarian/vegan sandwich options. Homestead Modern can also arrange for a private chef (with advance notice), the stocking of your fridge with essential BBQ supplies, cocktail ingredients and /or wine so you can orchestrate the perfect meal your way, without having to leave your beautiful home.

### SHOPPING & DELIVERY SERVICES

A note that the nearest grocery stores are in Yucca Valley, so you may want to consider purchasing supplies en route. Joshua Tree and 29 Palms have a weekly farmer's market on Saturdays, both adjacent to the better bakeries in the area (Boo's and Campbell Hill)

#### WINE & ROCK SHOP

A slightly closer spot for natural wine and beer—also a great place to get your fix of crystals and other trippy desert gifts—is located on Highway 62 in Yucca Valley. Look for the alien friend out front! wineandrockshop.com

#### THE STATION

Cool and kitschy gift shop housed in a former gas station in Joshua Tree. Out front you'll see hunky 20ft-tall "Big Josh" and inside there are gifts, cacti, coffee, and a back seating area perfect for catching some shade. There's also a separate annex, Wonder Valley Oil Shop, open on the weekends selling their namesake olive oil and skin care.

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#### **DESIERTO ALTO**

High-end bodega with great natural wines, spirits, and beer along with snacks and specialty grocery items. Located on Highway 62 just after you enter Yucca Valley. Check out a list of their products and pick up/delivery options on their website.

desiertoalto.com

#### **OTHER FAVORITES**

Compound Yucca Valley Gallery, The End Vintage, Pioneertown General Store, and Cactus Mart in Morongo Valley on your way out of town. There are also plenty more galleries and locally owned shops for antiques, vintage clothing, and home goods to explore along Highway 62.



## **ACTIVITIES**

There are thousands of trails, camp sites, and rock-climbing routes sprinkled throughout the Jushua Tree National Park. Also, don't miss hiking or horseback riding in the largest nonprofit nature preserve system in California, The Pioneertown Mountains Preserve. We have guides available for hire if interested or here is our current favorite list of hikes.

Stroll through Pioneertown, founded in 1946 by a group of Hollywood investors with dreams of creating a living movie set—an 1870's frontier town with facades for filming and interiors open to the public. The legendary Pappy & Harriet's is located here and is known for its incredible live music, drinks, and BBQ.

Noah Purifoy was a visual artist and sculptor who worked mostly between Los Angeles and Joshua Tree. The Noah Purifoy Outdoor Sculpture Museum is located on 10 acres of open land in Joshua Tree and contains over one hundred works of art, including large scale assemblages, environmental sculptures, & installation art created by the artist between 1989–2004. The museum is free & open to the public.



#### INTEGRATRON

Located in Landers, is a white domed structure erected in the 1950's by George Van Tassel and built on an intersection of powerful geomagnetic forces. Their focus is to restore and preserve the structure while sharing its amazing acoustical properties with the world via restorative sound baths. It's typically booked far in advance but always worth checking for last minute cancelations and worth a drive-by if you're in the area.

integratron.com

#### **METHODS & RITUALS SPA**

Wellness is an important part of any high desert holiday and Homestead Modern can assist with a private yoga class, custom blessing ceremony or sound bath within your home. Instant Karma Yoga hosts many unique classes around the area, updated regularly on their website. If you are in need of a facial, massage or reiki energy work – we can arrange to have a healer come to you or coordinate your visit to Methods & Rituals Spa.

methodsandrituals.com