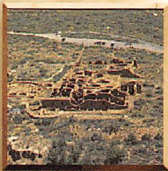




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**AZTEC RUINS  
NATIONAL  
MONUMENT**  
NEW MEXICO

Aztec Ruins National Monument is an Ancestral Pueblo archeological site in northwestern New Mexico. The monument contains prehistoric and historic resources and is considered to be one of the most significant sites affiliated with the Chaco and Mesa Verde Anasazi or Ancestral Pueblo cultures.

A self-guiding paved trail approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  of a mile allows visitors to walk through a series of rooms constructed beginning around 1108 AD and a reconstructed Great Kiva.

Established as a monument in 1923, the ruins were designated a World Heritage Site in 1987.

**SPECIAL INFORMATION**

Lodging, camping facilities, and food are not available at the monument. However, a shaded picnic area with tables is available on a first-come, first-serve basis. The visitor center features exhibits and a video entitled *Anasazi*. Superintendent, Aztec Ruins National Monument, P.O. Box 640, 84 County Road 2900, Aztec, NM 87410-0640, (505) 334-6174.