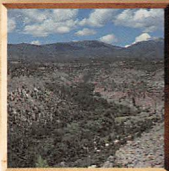


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From the 1100's to the mid-1500's, the canyons and mesas of what is now Bandelier National Monument were home to groups of ancestral Pueblo people. They were farmers, weavers, and potters, and built sturdy homes of stone with mud mortar. By the time Spanish explorers entered the area, they had moved to villages along the Rio Grande, where their descendants live today. Present-day visitors can walk among the remnants of their villages and cliff-side homes in beautiful Frijoles Canyon.

Proclaimed a national monument on February 11, 1916, Bandelier comprises 32,737 acres (all federal); 23,267 are designated as a Wilderness, with over 60 miles of trails.

SPECIAL INFORMATION

Bandelier is administered to preserve fragile archeological and natural resources; therefore, conditions may be hazardous. Stay on trails, stay off walls and out of dwellings, and climb only into caves with ladders provided. Carry water and drink often; water from streams must be purified. Dress for the weather. Bicycles and pets are not permitted on trails. • Superintendent, Bandelier National Monument, HCR 1, Box 1, Suite 15, Los Alamos, NM 87544-9701 ex 517. 24-hour information recording: (505) 672-0343.