



Weather | Climate

Hubbell Trading Post is at an elevation of 6,300 feet. Generally the climate is mild, but recorded extremes are 100 and 30 below. Even in summer it cools down rapidly after the sun goes down.

In spring, high winds from the southwest are common, and blowing sand may obscure visibility, smart the eyes and clog nasal passages.



Things get pretty slow around Hubbell Trading Post between the end of October and Easter. Most of the over 70,000 annual visitors come in the summer. There's a special feeling about those wintry days when people come stomping into the warm trading post from the cold blustery outdoors, especially if they have the time to spread out half-a-dozen rugs to really look at, or to just visit a while. Groups touring the home are usually smaller in winter, too, allowing more opportunity for everybody's questions to get answered.

if you'd like to
LEARN MORE



Indian Traders by Frank McNitt \$8.95
Smoke Signal by David M. Brugge 1.00
To order, send a check or money order made payable to the Southwest Parks and Monu-

ments Association to Hubbell Trading Post Information, P.O. Box 388, Ganado, AZ 86505.



for a SAFE VISIT

Please refrain from smoking in the historic buildings. They are very old, very dry and very flammable.

Remember, the elevation is 6,300 feet. Don't overexert yourself!

Wear shoes or sandals. Not only are there chickens, peafowls, guinea fowl, dogs, cows, and horses to watch out for, but there are also burrs and the tiny bits of glass and metal that are the inevitable residue of a hundred years of living, farming and trading.

Watch your step. The walking surfaces inside and out are uneven and often include sills and short steps. Sidewalks may be icy in winter.

If you normally get a toxic reaction from bee stings, be alert for wasps during the warm weather.

As you arrive and depart, watch out for ambling cows, darting children, and other drivers thinking about other things.

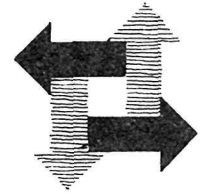
remember these RULES

The sale and *consumption* of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on the Navajo Reservation.

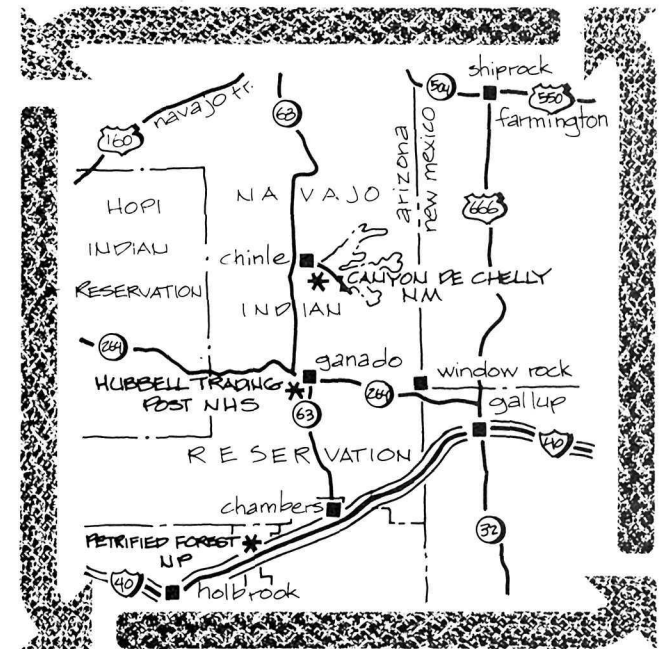
The Tribal Antiquities Act is one of the toughest in the nation, prohibiting the possession of any antiquities taken from the lands of the Navajo Nation.

The objects in the Hubbell collection are national heirlooms. Please help us save them for your descendants by not touching them.

1976 VISIT PLANNER FOR



HUBBELL TRADING POST National Historic Site





One hundred years ago, Juan Lorenzo Hubbell, Sr., began trading with the Navajos of Ganado, Arizona.

Today, a century later, you can buy a soda pop, a bar of soap, a pair of sheep shears, or a saddle over the same counters where J.L. himself once did business. Not only have the buildings and historic scene been preserved, but in this unique National Historic Site the "history" is still going on.

Hubbell Trading Post continues to do what all reservation trading posts did. . . perform the role of broker between cultures, enabling the Navajo people to exchange their marketable goods for the products they need from outside Navajoland. The products now brought to Hubbell are mostly rugs and other craftware. But the sights and sounds and smells of the trading post are much as they were when Hubbell was influential in creating a market for the large Navajo rugs of fine quality.

what you can
SEE AND DO




You enter the Trading Post the same way thousands of customers have entered it in the past — thru the main door into the "bull pen," the main grocery and hardware sales area of the store. On your right, in front of the moccasins, below the Pendleton shawls, and before you reach the yards of velveteen, will be a National Park Service employee who will orient you to what is available for you to do at the time you arrive.

Year-round, the Trading Post and grounds are yours to discover on your own. In summer, the non-profit cooperating association that operates the Trading Post sponsors rug weaving

demonstrations in the wareroom, reached thru the sliding door to the left of the one with the steer's skull over it.

The ceilings and walls of the Hubbell Home are covered with the immense personal collection of art and artifacts accumulated by Mr. Hubbell. This assemblage, spanning all of Southwest history, may be viewed on guided tours conducted hourly from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. (9 to 5 in summer) on all days but Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's. The tours usually last 30 to 45 minutes and a guide fee of 50 cents per person between 15 and 62 years is charged. Tour groups are limited to 15 persons.

Don't forget that the Navajo Nation observes the season of daylight saving time.

while you're near 
DON'T MISS

The *Capitol of the Navajo Nation* is at Window Rock, Arizona, 28 miles east of Hubbell Trading Post on State Route 264. In addition to seeing the famed "*Window Rock*," you might wish to visit the *Navajo Tribal Museum* which features displays on Navajo culture and history and on the prehistory of Navajoland. An excellent variety of publications on these subjects is available there.

About 8 miles east of Ganado, on a side road north of Route 264, is *Kinlichee Tribal Park*, interpreting the remains of a prehistoric pueblo.

Breath-taking *Canyon de Chelly National Monument*, with its prehistoric cliff dwellings and modern Navajo hogans, is 38 miles north of Hubbell, at Chinle, Arizona.

Westward lies the *Hopi land*, with their villages clinging tenaciously atop the flat-topped mesas. Here one should not miss the *Arts and Crafts Center*, on Second Mesa.


HOW
exactly, do you get there

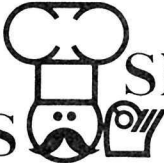
Hubbell Trading Post National Historic Site is one mile west of Ganado, Arizona, just off State Route 263 and 63, both of which are two-laned blacktop highways.

State Route 264 runs east-west thru Navajoland and thru Ganado. State Route 63 connects with Interstate 40 at Chambers, 38 miles to the south.

 if your trip is
OVERNIGHT

Conventional accommodations are few and scattered. There is one motel about 75 miles west on Route 264 at Second Mesa; there are two about 30 miles east at Window Rock, and there is a motel and lodge in Chinle, 38 miles north on State Route 63.

Campers are a little more fortunate. There is a campground at Summit, 20 miles east of Ganado on Route 264 (and 7,000 feet high!) There is also a campground at Canyon de Chelly, near Chinle.


MEALS **SNACKS**

Limited refreshments — soda and something to munch on — are available at the Trading Post. Otherwise, the same place where you can get overnight accommodations have dining facilities.