

Jerome

Town Map & Chamber Business Guide

FREE SHUTTLE
FRI 11AM - 4PM
SAT / SUN + HOLIDAYS
11AM - 6PM
928-821-0133



All phone numbers have 928 area code unless otherwise noted.
 The Js on the map indicate the locations of the Historical Plaques which have been placed throughout Jerome by the Jerome Historical Society to mark special locations and historic activities. The Society was founded in 1953 and continues to help safeguard the history of Jerome.

RESTAURANTS/FOOD

- 1 **ASYLUM**
Casual elegance high above the Verde Valley. Steaks, seafood, salads & burgers. Patio, sundeck, lounge, dining room & fully stocked bar. 634-8200, 888-817-6788
- 5 **HAUNTED HAMBURGER**
Beef or Veggie Burgers, Hand spun Milkshakes, Full Bar with Local Draft Beers & Pet Friendly deck with 100 mile views! 634-0554
- 14 **CLINKSCALE BAR & GRILL**
American & French inspired casual fine dining. 634-6225
- 24 **THE MINE CAFÉ**
Breakfast and Lunch 639-0123
- 28 **BOBBY D'S BBQ**
Authentic smokehouse-style restaurant in the historic English Kitchen Bldg. Oldest continuously operating restaurant in Arizona 634-6235
- 7 **CORNISH PASTY CO**
Traditional Miner's Meal. Baked crust with a choice of over 40 stuffings. Full Bar. 10 Beers on Tap. Dog-Friendly Patio w/a View. 267-6474
- 10 **RICKELDORIS**
Candy & Popcorn Co. 639-1340
- 38 **GHOST PEPPER CO**
All Natural Honey, Hot Sauces & Salsa Tastings

WINE TASTING

- 42 **VINO ZONA**
Arizona Small Batch Boutique Wineries 284-8053
- 15 **PASSION CELLARS**
480-483-5051
- 23 **CADUCEUS CELLARS**
Merkin Vineyards 639-9463
- 20 **FOUR EIGHT WINEWORKS**
The Arizona Winemakers Co-Operative 639-3516
- 33 **CABAL CELLERS**
480-483-5051
- 29 **THE ORIGINAL JEROME WINERY**
639-9593
- N **SIP SEDONA**
Wine & Beer Tours 308-5166

HISTORIC SALOONS

- 25 **PAUL & JERRY'S SALOON**
ATM Oldest Family run business in Arizona 634-2603
- 23 **SPIRIT ROOM**
In the Connor Hotel 634-8809

GALLERIES/STUDIOS

- 9 **PURA VIDA**
Handcrafted Art 634-0937
- 39 **JEROME ARTISTS' COOPERATIVE**
639-4276
- 37 **MIMI'S GALLERY & OPEN STUDIO**
916-235-6502
- 36 **HOUSE OF JOY**
Art Gallery & Arcade 916-235-6502
- 26 **FIREFLY GALLERY**
Handmade Arts & Crafts Inspired by Nature 639-3473
- 27 **JEROME TINTYPE STUDIO**
19th Century Photography Studio Authentic Tintype Portraits & Town Views. March thru Oct. 414-639-4533
- 51 **ANDERSON & MANDETTE STUDIO**
639-1424
- 52 **BUTTERFLY GENIUS STUDIO**
Creative Process Workshops Paintings 760-884-9003

TOURS

- 20 **TOURS OF JEROME**
Haunted • Historic • Wine Tasting 639-4361
- * **SIP SEDONA**
Wine & Beer Tours 308-5166

TRANSPORTATION

- 35 **SPOOKY'S SHORT DISTANCE RIDES**
301-4192
- * **VORTEX ATV RENTALS**
235-4520

MUSEUMS

- 24 **JEROME HISTORICAL SOCIETY MINE MUSEUM & GIFT SHOP**
634-5477
- 49 **AUDREY HEADFRAME PARK**
Last of the large wooden headframes out of all the AZ mines. Look down a 1900 foot mine shaft.
- 50 **JEROME STATE HISTORIC PARK**
Douglas Mansion - Mining Exhibits & Picnic Area 634-5381
- 48 **OVERLOOK PARK**
Viewing deck & mining equipment. The spot to get that perfect picture of Jerome at sunrise or sunset
- 19 **GOLD KING MINE GHOST TOWN**
Formerly Haynes, Az. Vintage Truck Collection Kids Activities: Gold & Gem Panning, Petting Zoo 634-0053

LODGING

- 1 **JEROME GRAND HOTEL**
634-8200 / 888-817-6788
- 2 **THE JOHN RIORDEN HOUSE**
www.johnriordenhouse.com
- 3 **THE PINK LADY**
634-1139
- 45 **MILLION DOLLAR VIEW**
909-762-5133
- 44 **THE MINER'S COTTAGE**
254-1089
- 43 **GHOST CITY INN**
634-4678
- 14 **CLINKSCALE HOTEL**
634-5094
- 42 **THE KELLY HOUSE**
Retro Chic with the Best View in Jerome. 284-8053 - text
- 23 **CONNOR HOTEL**
634-5006
- 47 **THE MAYOR'S COTTAGE**
212-929-5234
- 32 **CUBAN QUEEN BOUTIQUE HOTEL**
480-447-6425
- * **HOUSE ON THE EDGE OF TIME**
610-864-4113

UNIQUE RETAIL

- 40 **ALTAI LEATHER DESIGNS**
639-2221
- 13 **MINER'S PICK & ROCK SHOP**
Minerals/Fossils Crystals/Copper 274-4499
- 24 **MOOEY CHRISTMAS AND UDDER THINGS**
The Christmas Store and More 634-2604
- 20 **PUSCIFER THE STORE**
639-3516
- 21 **NELLY BLY**
Kaleidoscopes & Steampunk (Largest collection of kaleidoscopes under one roof in the world!) 634-0255
- 33 **CASA LATINA**
Latin American Collectables 634-7308
- 53 **WESTERN HERITAGE FURNITURE**
Workshop 639-1424

POTTERY & CERAMICS

- 17 **JEROME HERITAGE SHOP**
Pottery & Gifts 480-447-6425
- 31 **LA VICTORIA GLASS & CERAMICS STUDIO GLASSBLOWING**
254-9575

CLOTHING/GIFTS

- 23 **BOLSHEVITA**
649-6096
- 20 **LAUGHING MOUNTAIN**
634-8764
- 20 **UNIVERSITY SHACK**
Locally Made Gifts 634-3119
- 17 **JELLY ROLL'S SWEET STUFF**
Vintage Clothing & Antiques 301-5942

JEWELRY/GIFTS

- 41 **MOCKINGBIRD**
480-302-0215
- 11 **JEROME'S JEWELRY & GIFTS**
jeromejewelry@hotmail.com
- 12 **TURQUOISE SPIDER**
Southwest Jewelry & Native American Items 634-8782
- 24 **MINE MUSEUM GIFT SHOP**
Featuring Copper Jewelry & Collectibles 634-5477
- 20 **LAUGHING MOUNTAIN**
Featuring Navajo & Zuni Designs 634-8784
- 17 **JEROME HERITAGE SHOP**
Locally Crafted Jewelry 480-447-6425
- 17 **JELLY ROLL'S SWEET STUFF**
Estate and Fine Jewelry 480-447-6425

TOWN SERVICES

- 15 **JEROME POLICE DEPARTMENT**
928-634-8992
- 4 **JEROME CIVIC CENTER**
Town Hall - 634-7943
Humane Society - 634-0727
Public Library - 639-0574
- 6 **JEROME HISTORICAL SOCIETY**
634-1066
- 20 **U. S. POST OFFICE**
634-8241
- 30 **LAWRENCE MEMORIAL (SPOOK) HALL**
- 18 **JEROME FIRE DEPARTMENT**
649-3034

CHURCHES

- 8 **HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH**
1898
- 46 **HAVEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**
1927

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

- * **ZEN MOUNTAIN GALLERY**
634-5009
- * **JACK DILLENBERG & FRIENDS**
Health Service Consulting (602) 751-5225
- * **JESSIE PFEIFFER, REALTOR**
(610) 864-4113
- * **OUT OF AFRICA WILDLIFE PARK**
567-2842
- * **SALT RIVER MATERIALS GROUP**
634-2261
- * **CAROL ANNE TEAGUE, REALTOR and Jerome Resident.**
Realty One Group Mountain Desert 300-9031
- * **STATE FARM INSURANCE AGENT**
Jerome Resident Marge Black-Graziano (480) 832-5355
- * **GIRLVIBE, INC. GRAPHIC DESIGN**
Lisa Petty (602) 391-5031

* Not on map

Please be mindful of your pets in a hot car!

DOGS DIE IN HOT CARS

HOW TO JUDGE VEHICLE TEMPERATURES

TEMPERATURE OUTSIDE (°F)	TEMPERATURE INSIDE YOUR CAR (°F)
70°	89° - 104°
75°	94° - 109°
80°	99° - 114°
85°	104° - 119°
90°	109° - 124°
95°	114° - 128°

The Early Years

Jerome was built on Cleopatra Hill on top of what was the largest copper mine in Arizona – it produced an astonishing three million pounds of copper per month. Prehistoric Native Americans were the first miners, seeking colored stones. The Spanish followed, seeking gold but finding copper. Anglos staked the first claims in the area in 1876, and United Verde mining operations began in 1883, followed by the Little Daisy claim. Once known as the wickedest town in the west, Jerome grew rapidly from a tent city to a prosperous town as it followed the swing of the mine's fortunes.

The mines, the workers and those who sought its wealth, formed Jerome's history. They were a brave and raucous mix. Men and women from all over the world made their way to Arizona to find work and, maybe, a new way of life.

Americans, Mexicans, Croatians, Irish, Spaniards, Italians, Chinese – over twenty nationalities – made the mining camp a cosmopolitan mix that added to its rich life and filled its streets with excitement.

Miners, smelter workers, freighters, gamblers, bootleggers, saloon keepers, storekeepers, prostitutes and preachers, wives and children – all made Jerome what it was.



Main Street - Jerome Historical Society



Mogollon Rim - JeromePhotos.com

The Ghost City

Jerome was the talk of the territory . . . boomtown of its time...darling of promoters and investors. The mines were nourished and exploited by financiers who brought a billion dollars worth of copper from its depths. Gold, silver, lead, zinc, azurite and malachite also contributed to the wealth. It has been said that the copper returns were pure profit because all the operating expenses were covered by the extraction of the other minerals.

Changing times in the territory saw pack burros, mule-drawn freight wagons, and horses replaced by steam engines, autos and trucks.

Founded in 1876, Jerome was once the fourth largest city in the Arizona Territory.

In 1882, Jerome's first postmaster named the town after the family of financier, Eugene Jerome.

Fires ravaged the clapboard town again and again. Between 1894 and 1899, four disastrous fires destroyed large sections of the town. Jerome was always rebuilt, but as a result, the town of Jerome was incorporated in 1899.

By 1918, underground mining was augmented by Arizona's first open pit mine after an uncontrollable fire had erupted in one of the tunnels. The fire burned for over 20 years until the smelter was moved to Clarkdale. In the meantime, dynamite blasts rattled the hills.



Audrey Headframe mine shaft entrance - Donna Chesler

In the late 1930's, an enormous charge of dynamite (260,000 pounds) was set off – equal to six freight car loads – and the surface began to shift. Tunnels under the town, some as deep as 4,800 feet below the surface, began to crack. The shifting, combined with the 30-degree incline of the mountainside, pulled a number of buildings down the slope, and entire sections of the business district collapsed or slid downhill.



Jerome's famous "Sliding Jail" moved downhill 225 feet and sat in the middle of Hull Avenue until a bulldozer moved it to its final resting place across the road from its original site. There are still 88 miles of tunnels under the town, and there are four geological faults in the area.



Jerome at night - JeromePhotos.com

The population peaked at 15,000 in the 1920's, but within 10 years it would drop to less than 5,000. The Depression of the 1930's slowed the mining operation and in 1935, the company was purchased by Phelps Dodge for \$20,800,000. World War II brought increased demand for copper, but after the war, demand slowed.

Dependent on the ups and downs of copper prices, labor unrest, depressions and wars, Jerome's mines finally closed in 1953.

After "King Copper" left town, the population went from a peak of 15,000 in the 20's, to some 50 persons in the late 50's. Within five years of the mine's closing, Jerome became the largest ghost town in America.

Today's Jerome

Jerome has always been a survivor. Reluctant to leave a lifetime of memories, those few hardy souls that remained promoted the town as a historic ghost town.

The 60's and 70's were the time of the counter culture, and Jerome offered a haven for artists who renovated homes and opened abandoned shops to sell their wares. Soon newcomers and Jerome old-timers were working together to bring Jerome back.

The Jerome Historical Society (formed in 1953, the year the mines closed) guarded the buildings against vandalism and the elements. The Douglas Mansion was made a state park in 1965, and in 1967, Jerome was designated a National Historic District by the federal government.

Still lingering in its entirety, Jerome is a colorful oasis, and a photographer's paradise. Looking like an Italian mountain village with an assemblage of Victorian properties, many of the buildings that currently house present-day businesses are those built after the fires of 1894 and 1899 – its appearance hasn't changed much in nearly 100 years. Many of the buildings have been restored and more are planned for restoration.

On the other hand, Jerome's personality has changed dramatically in the past 30 years. Once a thriving mining

camp between the late-1880's and early 1950's, Jerome is now a bustling tourist magnet and artistic community with a population of about 445. It includes artists, craft people, musicians, writers, hermits,

business owners, and historians and families. Together, they form a peaceful, colorful, thriving community built on a rich foundation of history and lore.



Smelter - Jerome Historical Society

**Experience Jerome –
an unforgettable trip.**

Historic Jerome Dates

- 1583 Spanish explorer Antonio de Espejo is the first European to reach Jerome
- 1876 Al Sieber (chief scout for General Crook) works first claim on Cleopatra Hill
- 1882 United Verde Copper Company (UVCC) formed
- 1883 UVCC control sold to Eugene Murray Jerome; town is named for Jerome
- 1888 William A. Clark purchased the UVCC; begins major development
- 1895 Clark completes the narrow gauge railroad into Jerome
- 1899 Jerome incorporates; immediately becomes fourth largest town in Arizona
- 1899 George Hull forms the United Verde Extension (UVX) mining company
- 1903 The New York Sun proclaims Jerome "The Wickedest City in the West"
- 1911 "Rawhide Jimmy" Douglas takes over UVX
- 1912 Arizona becomes the 48th state in the Union.
- 1914 The Little Daisy Mine, the main UVX ore body is discovered
- 1918 UVCC begins open pit operations – the first open pit mine in Arizona
- 1922 The Jerome High School is built. Classes begin in 1923
- 1924 - The UVCC was the number one producer of copper, gold, and silver in Arizona each year. In 1929, the UVX was the sixth leading producer of copper and the state's fifth leading producer of gold and silver.
- 1929 Jerome population reaches 15,000
- 1935 Phelps Dodge purchases UVCC from the Clark family
- 1938 UVX closes the Little Daisy mine
- 1953 Phelps Dodge closes all mining operations in Jerome
- 1953 The Jerome Historical Society is founded
- 1955 Population is less than 50
- 1965 The Jerome State Park is opened to the public
- 1966 Jerome begins its annual Home and Historic Building Tour
- 1967 Stewart Udall signs the proclamation making Jerome a U.S. National Historic District
- 1974 Jerome awarded Bicentennial flag and plaque – designated a Bicentennial Town
- 1976 100th birthday of the Town of Jerome
- 1999 Jerome celebrates 100 years of incorporation; now the smallest incorporated town in Arizona
- 2021 Population of Jerome (per the 2021 census) is 445

Jerome Calendar of Events

Join us the first Saturday of each month for our Art and Wine Walk from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Several music venues have been added to make this monthly event one not to miss!

We will be announcing additional "Art in the Park" events and music festivals, as well as continue long-time favorites like our Fire Department Halloween Dance on the last Saturday in November, kicking off Jerome's holiday season.

To make sure you don't miss out on any of the festivities, visit JeromeChamber.com for details!

Check out our local radio station! **GULCH RADIO** on FM 100.5 or at GulchRadio.com

Jerome Annual Averages

Info provided by U.S. Climate Data 2023

Precipitation: 18.8"
High temp: 69°
Low temp: 51°
Snowfall: 7"

Jerome Statistics

Altitude: 5,246 ft.
Founded: 1876
Population: 445



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Email: info@jeromechamber.com
Website: www.jeromechamber.com

Historic buildings, art galleries and studios, unique shops, great restaurants, charming lodging and a spectacular drive up Mingus Mountain are all reasons to visit Jerome— one of the most vertical cities in the country. The perfect day-trip or weekend getaway from Sedona, Prescott, Phoenix, Tucson, or even Las Vegas.

**Experience Jerome –
an unforgettable trip.**

Experience Jerome Arizona

A National Historic Landmark

From a roaring copper mining boom town of 15,000 people, to Arizona's largest ghost town...

And now, to Arizona's most unique art and history destination, Jerome's history will amaze you.

