

A Cultural Immersion Trip at the Taos Pueblo

Summer 2025: June 8-13 & June 15-20

EXPERIENCING NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE IN TAOS, NEW MEXICO



Taos, New Mexico

The Land of Enchantment

The Taos, New Mexico Trip

Taos, New Mexico is a tremendous place to learn about traditional Native American culture, particularly because it is home to the Taos Pueblo, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the oldest continuously inhabited communities in North America. Taos is also a scenic conglomeration of mountain ranges, gorges, rivers, open spaces and rock formations that have lured artists to this region for over a century. More recently, Taos is viewed as one of the most desirous recreational regions in the Southwest. Due to the high desert elevation, this region also enjoys mild temperatures year round.

The Taos, New Mexico trip is designed as a six-day experience to immerse students into Native American culture through direct community service at the Taos Pueblo. Throughout the week we also actively engage in cultural awareness experiences while we enjoy the many outdoor adventures available in the scenic Taos region. With the help of several Taos Pueblo community leaders, each trip is organized and led by Crossroads Student Travel Director Stuart Morris. Stuart has been leading trips to Taos since 2000.

Partnering with Educators, Schools, and High School Organizations

Our program partners with educators, schools, and other organizations who are interested in providing a dynamic experience for high school students to learn about Native American culture. The community service projects can consist of working at a Pueblo elementary school summer camp program, a Pueblo organic farm, an art program for Pueblo children, and a variety of community restoration projects at the Taos Pueblo Projects each year are based on the biggest needs identified in the community. To help students understand traditional Pueblo culture, we also participate in cultural awareness activities, including a private tour of the Taos Pueblo, traditional drumming and dancing, bread making, storytelling, folklore traditions, and enjoying Pueblo musical performances. Lastly, we explore the scenic Taos region through a variety of outdoor activities.

Each trip is designed as a custom trip for a maximum of 16 students and a minimum of 2 teacher chaperones. Crossroads Student Travel Director Stuart Morris works directly with each group coordinator to create a full budget, detailed itinerary, and a personalized brochure that best meets the needs of your group.

Cost Per Group: \$5000

Includes all activities at the Taos Pueblo

Deadline to apply:

March 1, 2025

Each group is responsible for providing your own airfare to Albuquerque, ground transportation in New Mexico, lodging in Taos, and additional food costs.

Student travel excursions that highlight
community service, culture awareness, and outdoor adventure

Celebrating over 25 years of service to the Taos Pueblo community

General Itinerary

Sunday/Day 1

- Early morning departure from your local airport
- Afternoon arrive at Albuquerque airport
- Visit a prehistoric Pueblo site
- Evening get settled into private lodge
- Evening reflections and guidelines for the trip

Monday/Day 2

- Morning community service project at the Taos Pueblo
- Afternoon short hike overlooking the Rio Grande Gorge
- Dinner and traditional Pueblo bread making demonstration

Tuesday/Day 3

- Morning community service project at the Taos Pueblo
- Afternoon private tour of the Taos Pueblo
- Traditional Pueblo drumming and dance performance

Wednesday/Day 4

- Morning community service project at the Taos Pueblo
- Hike in Taos Mountain
- Private Pueblo concert from 2-time Grammy award winner, Robert Mirabal

Thursday/Day 5

- Morning community service project at the Taos Pueblo
- Afternoon visit to downtown Taos
- Evening final reflections

Friday/Day 6

- Morning pack and prepare for departure
- Afternoon visit to downtown Santa Fe plaza
- Evening departure from Albuquerque Airport



How To Get Involved

To get your students involved in one of our summer trips, contact Crossroads Student Travel Director Stuart Morris by November 1 at stuart@crossroadstravel.org or 650-208-3120. Stuart is available to work with the trip coordinator to design a customized program, full budget, itinerary, and a personalized brochure specific to your trip.

Crossroads Student Travel is a nonprofit organization founded by Stuart Morris, an American history teacher who has been teaching in the San Francisco Bay Area for over 25 years. Mr. Morris has led annual student trips to Taos, New Mexico since 2000. Each Crossroads Student Travel trip is designed to provide



- ❖ **Community Service**
Impacting the world one community at a time
- ❖ **Cultural Awareness**
Experiencing the living traditions of developing cultures
- ❖ **Outdoor Adventure**
Exploring the natural wonders of the world

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