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# ALBUQUERQUE AREAS OF INTEREST

## NOB HILL

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Located along the historic U.S. Route 66 (Central Avenue), many restaurants, pubs, cafes, ice cream shops, boutiques, dance/yoga studios, and local stores are in this area. Check out the Guild Cinema, one of the few and most well-known independent movie theaters in town; stop by Empire Board Game Library, where you can enjoy the café while renting out board games by the hour; or simply walk around and explore the various cafes and shops in this area.

*Location: Along Central Ave, between Girard Blvd and Washington St*

## HISTORIC OLD TOWN

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Old Town has been at the heart of Albuquerque since the city was founded in 1706. Today, this neighborhood is a well preserved display of historic New Mexican architecture, and is home to many shops, souvenir stores, museums, galleries, restaurants, and cafes. Old Town is built around a Plaza which often hosts cultural events and craft fairs. Find more information at [www.albuquerqueoldtown.com](http://www.albuquerqueoldtown.com).

*Location: Between Central Ave and Mountain Rd, just east of Rio Grande Blvd*

## DOWNTOWN

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This is the economic center of Albuquerque and a place of cultural and social activity. It is the place to find live music—both local and traveling bands, theaters, restaurants, bars, pubs, and the Century 14 Movie Theater. It is also home to the Alvarado Transportation Center, where you can take the RailRunner train to visit the historic city of Santa Fe.

*Location: Along Central Ave, between 1st St and 7th St*

## UPTOWN

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This pedestrian-friendly outdoor mall is the best place for shopping addicts, featuring various upscale shops. Find more information at <https://www.simon.com/mall/abq-uptown>

*Location: Along Louisiana Blvd, just north of I-40*

## STATE FAIR GROUNDS

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These grounds are home to the Annual State Fair during the month of September. Throughout the rest of the year, the space is used for special events, concerts, and rodeos, and also hosts a flea market every Saturday and Sunday.

*Location: 300 San Pedro Dr NE*

## CORONADO SHOPPING CENTER

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This is an indoor shopping center, also known as Coronado Mall. For a list of shops, visit

[www.coronadocenter.com](http://www.coronadocenter.com)

*Location: 6600 Menaul Blvd NE*

## SANDIA PEAK TRAMWAY

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The Sandia Peak Tramway is an aerial tramway that stretches from the northeast edge of the city to the top of the Sandia Mountains. It is the world's third longest single span tram ride. At the top of the mountains are several scenic trail heads for excellent hiking, mountain-biking, and skiing (in the winter). For more information, visit [www.sandiapeak.com](http://www.sandiapeak.com).

*Location: 30 Tramway Rd NE*