



Sunglow Ranch provides a unique and picturesque base from which to explore the Chiricahua Mountains and all of southeastern Arizona. Follow in the footsteps of the legends that once called this region home, and explore the very heart of the Old West in the colorful and resolute communities of Tombstone and Bisbee.

This is an area where you will feel a true closeness to nature, along with a richness of history. Here, great struggles occurred among Native American, Mexican and later American cultures. Today, agriculture and a rapidly growing viticultural area predominate between the Dragoon and Chiricahua Mountains creating a scenic backdrop for life in Cochise County.

The following are **suggested travel itineraries** that are easily modifiable to suit your personal interests. Let us know if you'd like us to create a customized program with additional recommendations especially for you! Please note that some advance notice is required for nature and birding guides, massage therapy, and horseback trail rides.

SUNGLOW RANCH EXPLORATION ITINERARY NATURE HISTORY THE OLD WEST

Prepare for a full itinerary that will lead you on a tour throughout southeastern Arizona to some very unique destinations. We promise this will be unlike any itinerary you've experienced in your travels.

2 Night Stay, Day 1 **PM** Welcome to Sunglow Ranch!

2 Night Stay, Day 2 **AM** Make an early start after breakfast (7:30 a.m.) and head west to adventure beginning in Bisbee, Arizona-- "Queen of the Copper Camps"--for the [Queen Mine Tour](#). Have lunch at [Screaming Banshee Pizza](#), 200 Tombstone Canyon Road, just above the historic district in Bisbee. Bisbee boast's some of the area most interesting shopping. Take a tour of the town and visit some very interesting shops such as [Panterra Gallery](#), [Optimo Hat Works](#) and [Spirited Chocolate](#).

PM Your next destination is Tombstone, Arizona where you can order up a sarsparilla at one of the cantina's there or stick around for gunfight re-enactment at OK Corral.

On the way back from Tombstone to Sunglow Ranch, consider taking Gleeson Road. Make a stop in Gleeson at the most unusual [Rattlesnake Crafts](#) about a mile of the road. Tiffany & Co. once owned a turquoise mine in Gleeson, and Paramount Pictures even filmed some of Zane Grey's *Mysterious Rider* here!

2 Night Stay, Day 3 **AM** (If departing today,) bring along Sunglow Picnic lunches and plan a visit to the nearby [Chiricahua National Monument](#). Stop in at the Visitor's Center and plan an exhilarating drive up Bonita Canyon Drive to the top, at an elevation of 6,667 feet. Enjoy the views and the upper trails including Heart of the Rocks. Once back at the bottom, take the guided tour of [Far Away Ranch](#) and discover the story of how two Swedish immigrants came to the area, fell in love, and created a homestead here in 1887 that continued in their family until 1978.

3 Night Stay, Day 3 **PM** After a visit to **the Chiricahua National Monument**, you're halfway to the town of Willcox, Arizona home of famed **Cowboy singers, Rex Allen Sr. and Rex Allen Jr.** Visits to the [Rex Allen Cowboy Museum](#) and the [Chiricahua Regional](#)

[Museum](#) are recommended here. Also, **Keeling Schaefer Vineyards** has a wonderful tasting room located in the historic 1917 Willcox Bank and Trust building, on Railroad Avenue just over the railroad tracks to the right. Open Thursday-Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Telephone: 520.766.0600. Enjoy local art at the **Trust Gallery** inside the tasting room. The [Carlson Creek Vineyard](#) Tasting Room is also located across the tracks from the Rex Allen Cowboy Museum.

3 Night Stay, Day 4

AM Head south on Route 191 to Douglas, Arizona at the border across from Agua Prieta, Mexico. Tour the [Slaughter Ranch](#) fifteen miles east on 15th Street, that becomes Geronimo Trail. Back in Douglas, consider having lunch at the [Gadsden Hotel](#) built in 1907, and now a National Historic Monument.

As you head back toward Sunglow Ranch, consider a stop at [Whitewater Draw](#). The main attraction here is in winter when as many as 30,000 **Sandhill Cranes** use the area for roosting from approximately mid-October through February (sometimes a few linger until mid or even late March). During the day, the cranes feed in fields throughout the Sulphur Springs Valley and the morning departure and evening return of the birds is a wonderful spectacle of sight and sound. Most days, large numbers of cranes can be seen soaring in the valley during the late morning to midday time frame.

4 Night Stay, Day 4

PM Get ready to ride! Take one of our guided horseback trail rides beyond Sunglow Ranch and out into the **Coronado National Forest** surrounding the Ranch. You'll cross over the Cottonwood Creek behind Sunglow, riding through the Emory Oaks and Mesquite trees. Ride up the Sunset Hills for an even better view.

4 Night Stay, Day 5

AM As you leave Sunglow Ranch, make an inspirational last stop at the historic [Cochise Stronghold](#)--once the actual refuge of legendary Apache Chief **Cochise** and his Chiricahua people. To reach the Stronghold, take Ironwood Road just after you pass the town of Sunsites, Arizona. Park at the trail head, and begin your hike on the other side of the bridge off to the left. The 4 mile long (one way) Indian trail passes from the East Cochise Stronghold Campground, over the Stronghold Divide (in the Dragoon Mountains) and down into the West Stronghold Canyon. There is also a wheel-chair accessible interpretive trail here.

Suggestion: if you're headed back in the direction of Tucson today, we recommend a visit to the [Singing Wind Book Shop](#) a few miles north of Benson.