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Short Guide to St. George, UT

Before or after your trip with ROW Adventures on our Southwest Unbound tour, you might want to explore St. George, Utah. St. George enjoys warm weather year round and holds a central location to some of the American West's most stunning locales, making it an outdoor adventurer's ideal location.

St. George stands at a convergence of geographical regions: the Colorado Plateau, with its 4 Utah national parks and sunset canyons; the Mojave Desert, with its parched arroyos; and the Great Basin, with its bristlecone pines and several smaller basins. If you're hoping to adventure on the edge, St. George just makes good geographical sense.

St. George has also seen a convergence of cultures throughout history. Ancestral Puebloans settled down from their nomadic ways to farm under the ever-present sunny skies. The Dominguez-Escalante Expedition crossed paths with the Southern Paiutes in 1776, and a Brigham Young directed 300 Mormon families to found a cotton mission in the region in 1861. These Mormon settlers named the city after LDS church disciple George A. Smith. So if any thought St. George was named after the dragon-slaying Roman, you stand corrected.

ST. GEORGE ADVENTURES

St. George may be the ideal gateway to national parks, but there's plenty of adventures to be had without venturing out of town.

Consider playing a round of golf before your trip. With over 12 nearby golf courses available, there's plenty of opportunities to knock a stroke off your handicap.

The [McQuarrie Memorial Museum](#) is run by the Daughter of Utah Pioneers and has an impressive collection of early pioneer artifacts and photos. The museum was founded in 1938 and has worked hard to record and preserve the pioneer history of the area.

The southwest part of Utah used to be the home of dinosaurs, and is a well know area for fossils. Peak your interest in prehistoric knowledge by a visit to the [St George Dinosaur Discovery Site](#). The museum houses one of the largest displays of dinosaur tracks and dinosaur swim tracks as it is located on the site of an Early Jurassic lakeside environment.

About 30 minutes from St. George is the [Coyote Gulch Art Village](#), an enclave of art galleries, studios, cafes, and gift shops. It's well worth a visit to see some of the up and coming artisans of the southwest.

If you just can't get enough of state and national parks, feel free to visit [Snow Canyon State Park](#). Only 10 miles from St. George, Snow Canyon State Park offers numerous trails and adventures for those who want to soak up the Utah sun.

Another great place to stretch your legs after a flight is to stroll around historic downtown St George. This area is home to Ancestor Square and town square with shops, galleries, restaurants, and a Farmers Market.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

We recommend [Wingate by Wyndham](#), where we meet for our trip's orientation and conclusion. They are conveniently located and provide a free airport shuttle from the St. George airport. The hotel can help book tee times and spa packages if you would like to extend your stay and simply enjoy St. George.

TRANSPORTATION

St. George is best navigated with a car or via taxi (St George Taxi 800-933-8320) as it is a bit spread out.