Mesa, AZ On Sale With Summer Travel Deals and Discounts

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Mesa, AZ (prHWY.com) April 26, 2010 - With National Tourism Week fast approaching and travel trends pointing to shorter hauls and shorter stays, the Mesa Convention & Visitors Bureau wants travelers not to forgo their hard-earned vacation days and to know they can afford a break this summer.

"Mesa has always been an affordable vacation hub for travelers across the state heading to the Phoenix area no matter the season," said Mesa Convention & Visitors Bureau President & CEO Robert Brinton referring to the lower rates Mesa boasts when compared to neighboring cities. "When families save on the overall hotel bill, it allows for more spending on nearby attractions and activities and those memorable experiences help define a summer vacation."

Several Mesa hoteliers have partnered with signature summer attraction, Golfland/SunSplash, offering discounted tickets with their low summer room rates. The 20-acre entertainment complex and waterpark boasts an incredible assortment of waterslides and a 450,000 gallon giant Thunder Bay Wavepool. To keep guests cool the park stays open until 11 p.m. and offers evening access with live music. Hotels offering ticket packages include: Quality Inn & Suites, Hilton Phoenix/East Mesa and Best Western Dobson Ranch Inn.

Mesa hotels are also offering up their own summer packaging promoting rates up to 50% off their regular season prices. With stays as low as \$69/night at premier properties, travelers can book their summer stays now. A snapshot of deals that can be found at <u>www.VisitMesa.com/Values</u> include:

* Best Western Dobson Ranch Inn: Request the three-night Keepin' It Cool in the Pool package with rates starting at \$220 with amenities including beach towels and sunscreen, \$25 dining certificate and full breakfast buffet. www.dobsonranchinn.com, 480-831-7000, 800-528-1356.

* Hilton Phoenix East/Mesa: Arizona residents can book a summer stay starting at \$69 per night with breakfast buffet, free Internet and specialty drinks. <u>www.hiltonphoenixeast.com</u> 480-833-5555, 800-544-5866.

* Arizona Golf Resort: Unlimited golf packages starting at \$99 per night, double occupancy with additional amenities include spa services at the resort. <u>www.arizonagolfresort.com</u>, 480-832-3202

The Mesa CVB has also re-launched their Summer Values website which lists deals on accommodations and attractions. Potential travelers can also view and compare Mesa hotel rates and packages and book directly from the site which is powered by Travelocity[®]. Mesa, Ariz. also boasts affordable non-stop service through Allegiant Air, LLC. Learn more about Fourth Night Free hotel offers valid through the summer at <u>www.AllegiantAir.com</u>.

In addition, the bureau has posted budget-friendly vacation itineraries that showcase how a family can take an affordable vacation in a down economy. The downloadable budget-friendly itineraries cover stays from one night to three nights with budgets ranging from \$200 to \$600. Also on the site is a Summer Savings Tip Sheet that guests can download for ideas and insider tips on how to get the most value out of their stay in Mesa with

examples on how to take advantage of free museum admissions, selecting restaurants where kids can eat free and planning stays around free festivals and events for entertainment value.

It's easy to stay cool in the desert this summer. For those wanting a more natural approach to soaking in the sun the ever-flowing Salt River. Salt River Recreation is the place to go for tubing and partake in an Arizona tradition - the floating picnic. Popular activities in the summer include guided flashlight tours at Desert Botanical, full moon hikes, stargazing, animal hide & seek walks at Usery Mountain Regional Park, and the popular Twilight Astronomy Cruises offered at Dolly Steamboat on the cool, smooth waters of Canyon Lake.

For a complete list of Arizona Summer Hotel Rates & Packages and Attractions in Mesa, click here.

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