



Gilbert, Ariz. Named Best Hidden Gem Destination for Winter Visitors

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GILBERT, Ariz. -- Arizona shines in the winter. Sunny days, manicured fairways and patio dining are all on the itinerary for sunseekers this time of year. One of the newest destinations to add to your Southwest travel checklist is Gilbert, recently named by *Architectural Digest* one of the nation's best hidden gem destinations for winter travelers – earning the #5 position on the list of 75 U.S. hot spots and earning the 1st place ranking overall for activities and dining.

Incorporated in 1920, Gilbert grew up around the Arizona Eastern Railway and quickly became known as the “Hay Shipping Capital of the World.” Fast forward 100+ years and Gilbert has received nods like, “Phoenix's Coolest Suburb,” and a “Top 5 Foodie Neighborhood in Metro Phoenix.” Gilbert's nationally recognized downtown, the award-winning Heritage District, offers 30-plus restaurants, live theater, a farmers' market, art walk, a giant illuminated water tower, and a stunning collection of public art.

Don't miss Gilbert's enviable craft brewing scene, taste the flavors of Arizona's globally recognized culinary purveyors, and set your sights on Agritopia - the country's leading agri-hood that inspired a national movement celebrating slow intentional living. With a century of history and growth, Gilbert is focused on thriving well into the future, while continuing to be one of the top destinations of its size in the country.

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