

## Bandelier National Monument and Pottery Demonstration

Visit Bandelier National Monument, where Pueblo people's ancestors built thriving communities some 600 years ago. Walk a moderate 1.2 mile-loop trail through excavated archaeological sites on the floor of the Frijoles Canyon. Climb ladders into small human-carved alcoves and ascend narrow stone stairways to stone dwellings. Add an additional half-mile each way to visit Alcove House, 140 feet above the canyon floor. You can climb four wooden ladders and a series of stone stairs to see a reconstructed kiva. (NOTE: Alcove House is not recommended for people afraid of heights. Also, all ladder climbing at Bandelier is optional.)



### Did You Know?

The Ancestral Pueblo people carved petroglyphs into the soft tuff rock above many of the dwellings built along the cliffs.

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## Pottery Demonstration at San Ildefonso Pueblo



Dora Tse-Pe is considered to be one the most important Pueblo potters working today. She has won numerous awards and is recognized as one of the “Masters” of the Santa Fe Indian Market.

Her work is a subtle blend of her Zia roots and the distinctive San Ildefonso Pueblo style, both in shape, style, glazing, and decoration. Her pottery also is a kind of tangible history of her people and the Pueblo culture in itself. And if you engage in even the briefest study of Southwest Native American Indian cultures (especially the pottery sub-culture) you start to see patterns and techniques that are a visible and lateral representation of the peoples that are indigenous to this area, and the fundamental influence of this multi-layered desert environment.

### AGENDA

8:00 am	Depart Hotel Santa Fe
9:00-12:00 pm	Arrive Bandelier National Monument Guided Tour Main Loop Trail
12:00	Box lunches will be provided
1:00 -3:00 pm	Pottery Demonstration at San Ildefonso Pueblo
3:00 pm	Depart for Hotel Santa Fe

## **Things to Know**

### ***Weather***

Frost and chance of snow storms from October through May. Wear layered comfortable sportswear type clothing appropriate for the season, with sturdy walking shoes.

### ***Elevation and Climbing***

The elevation in Frijoles Canyon is 6,000 feet and can cause breathing difficulties for some people visiting from lower elevations. Climbing ladders should not be attempted by people with heart problems or severe fear of heights. Children should be accompanied by adults at all times.

### ***Wildlife***

Hikers should be aware of the danger posed by wildlife. Enjoy the view but don't get too close. Don't harrass the wildlife, this is their home! Don't feed the wildlife as fed wildlife is more likely to pose a threat to humans.

***Cost is \$125.00 per person; this includes transportation, guide, entrance costs, lunch and pottery demonstration.***