

Phoenix College  
Physical Science Department

## SUNSET CRATER / WUPATKI FIELD TRIP

I T I N E R A R Y			
START	FINISH	MILES	HOURS
Phoenix College	Flagstaff	143 miles	2hrs 30 minsFlagstaff
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gasoline stop</li> </ul>			15 mins
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sunset Crater Visitor Center (Fee required)</li> </ul>			30 mins
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch</li> </ul>			30 mins
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bonito Lava Flow overlook</li> </ul>			10 mins
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lava Flow Trail</li> </ul>			1 hr
Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument	Wupatki National Monument	19 miles	30 mins
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Painted Desert overlook</li> </ul>			15 mins
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wupatki Visitor Center (Fee required)</li> </ul>			30 mins
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wupatki Pueblo</li> </ul>			30 mins
Wupatki National Monument	Phoenix College	185 miles	3 hrs

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FROM	TO	DIRECTIONS
		Turn left onto Loop Road
		Head back to US-89
		Turn left onto US-89 S
		Turn left on Country Club Dr

Wupatki Visitor  
Center & Pueblo

Phoenix College

# G E O L O G I C F E A T U R E S

LOCATION

FEATURE

DESCRIPTION

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LOCATION	FEATURE	DESCRIPTION
		uncovered kivalike structures, stand nearby. A major population influx began soon after the eruption of Sunset Crater in the 11th century (between 1040–1100), which blanketed the area with volcanic ash; this improved agricultural productivity and the soil's ability to retain water. By 1182, about 85 to 100 people lived at Wupatki Pueblo and by 1225, the site was permanently abandoned.