



GET TO KNOW THE ENCHANTED CIRCLE

The Enchanted Circle encompasses Taos, Angel Fire, Eagle Nest, Red River and Questa. Known for its magnificent scenery and outdoor activities, the Enchanted Circle makes an outstanding day trip. Drive time is approximately 3 1/2 hours, but make plans for frequent stops along the way. It's worth the extra time to discover the hidden treasures of Northern New Mexico.

TOWN OF TAOS

Taos Plaza rests at the heart of the historic district, surrounded by shops, galleries and restaurants within easy walking distance, in the midst of quiet residential areas. It has a relatively flat landscape filled with cottonwood trees.

Average home sale price: \$254,896

BLUEBERRY HILL

An area of sagebrush mesas, which is a popular area for houses.

Average home sale price: \$288,125

UPPER LAS COLONIAS

A varied area of sagebrush and juniper, with easy access to the town of Taos and affordable home options.

Average home sale price: \$337,265

ARROYO HONDO, HONDO MESA

A village of old adobes and other dwellings along the Río Hondo, with a rolling high desert mesa stretching toward the Río Grande Gorge. Includes popular fishing spots, as well as the historic John Dunn Bridge.

Average home sale price: \$240,481

ARROYO SECO, EL SALTO, DES MONTES

Arroyo Seco is a picturesque village of galleries, shops and cafes, surrounded by the beautiful landscape and gorgeous views of the mountains. El Salto and Des Montes have rolling terrain with orchards and ranches.

Arroyo Seco average home sale price: \$375,181

El Salto average home sale price: \$415,600

Des Montes average home sale price: \$399,358

TAOS SKI VALLEY, VALDEZ

Taos Ski Valley is world renowned with both national and international clientele. Most of the businesses are open year-round for outdoor enthusiasts of every season. Valdez sits at the foot of the canyon accessing Taos Ski Valley, providing high-altitude living amidst woodlands and valleys along the Río Hondo.

TSV average home sale price: \$410,666

TSV average condo sale price: \$315,620

Valdez average home sale price: \$236,633

TAOS CANYON, CAÑÓN

This area is replete with hiking trails and campgrounds. Picturesque views of the mountainsides and the Río Fernando combine to form a lush, green landscape.

Taos Canyon average home sale price: \$167,777

Cañón average home sale price: \$287,200

TAOS COUNTRY CLUB, STAKEOUT AREA

A relatively new area of development with broad expanses of land affording unbroken mountain views, as well as the piñon-and-juniper covered "Outlaw Hill," where Old West outlaws hid out from the law.

Average home sale price: \$342,444

RANCHOS DE TAOS, TALPA, LLANO QUEMADO

Home of the most photographed church in the country (San Francisco de Asís), Ranchos de Taos is accented with quaint adobe structures, galleries and shops. High terrain and ridges afford views of the Río Grande Gorge and mountains.

Average home sale price: \$199,684

WEIMER FOOTHILLS

An upscale neighborhood of rolling hills, it is close to schools, Holy Cross Hospital and the Taos Youth and Family Center. Building restrictions keep mountain and foothill views relatively unbroken.

Average home sale price: \$354,163

EL PRADO, RANCHITOS, CÓRDOVAS

El Prado is comprised of meadows and ranch lands with small shops, cafes and other businesses along the highway. Ranchitos and Los Córdovas are similar but more residential. All have excellent views of Taos Mountain.

El Prado average home sale price: \$256,666

Ranchitos average home sale price: \$350,400

Los Córdovas average home sale price: \$245,452

VALLE ESCONDIDO

Nestled in the mountains only 20 minutes east of Taos, Valle Escondido offers spectacular views, USGA golf, stocked fishing lakes, swimming pool and playground and community social life at the historic log clubhouse, all enjoyed by full-and part-time homeowners, with community water and household trash removal included. Valle Escondido is surrounded by the Carson National Forest, offering year-round recreation: hiking, hunting, camping, mountain biking, ATV trails and winter sports.

A wide variety of homes can be found in Valle Escondido with an approximate starting price of \$200,000.

ANGEL FIRE

Cradled in the beautiful Moreno Valley, Angel Fire is a favorite destination for skiers in the winter and golfers, hikers and music lovers in the summer.

Average home sale price: \$381,170

RED RIVER

This historic ski town invites visitors to explore its Wild West history along with its many shops and restaurants. Surrounded by the Carson National Forest, the village rests in a valley, with the Red River running through it.

Average home sale price: \$310,350

QUESTA

An agricultural town at the mouth of the Red River, with a compact downtown of shops and restaurants and a variety of rural housing tucked between the Sangre de Cristo Mountains and the Río Grande Gorge.

Average home sale price: \$176,375

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