



# Old Pueblo Archaeology Center presents:

## Homol'ovi and Rock Art Ranch Pueblos and Petroglyphs Tour with Archaeologists

**Richard Lange & Allen Dart**

**12 noon\* Friday September 8  
to 1 pm\* or later Saturday  
September 9, 2023**



T-shaped kiva excavated at Homol'ovi II Pueblo

Archaeologists Rich Lange and Al Dart lead and coordinate this Old Pueblo Archaeology Center vehicle-caravan tour to northern Arizona sites excavated by Rich and other archaeologists during the Arizona State Museum's 1983-2016 Homol'ovi Research Program, and to some neat petroglyph sites!

This will be an opportunity to visit three of the largest Ancestral Hopi pueblos and an Early Agricultural-to-Great Pueblo period site in Homolovi State Park northeast of Winslow, plus spectacular petroglyph panels and other sites near Winslow and on the Rock Art Ranch southwest of Holbrook.

On Friday we'll visit the Homol'ovi I (1280-1400 CE), Homol'ovi II (1360-1400), and Homol'ovi IV (1260-1280) pueblo sites and a Basketmaker II/III (ca. 1000 BCE-780 CE) to Pueblo II/III (1150-1225) site

in Homolovi State Park. On Saturday morning we'll drive to a remote area south of Holbrook to see the Rock Art Ranch Museum, Brandy's Pueblo (1225-1254), a replica Navajo farmstead site, and the fantastic Chevelon Canyon petroglyphs that date from as early as 8000 BCE to as late as the mid-1200s.

The tour starts at 12 pm Friday at the Homolovi State Park Visitor Center northeast of Winslow. From Interstate 40 Exit 257, drive 1.5 miles north on AZ-87 to get to the park (see page 2 map). High-clearance may be needed Saturday on the back roads at Rock Art Ranch but we'll check the week before to see.

If traveling from Tucson, plan on a minimum of 5½ hours one-way driving to Homol'ovi State Park depending on general traffic conditions and how many stops you're likely to make.

**\$109 donation per person  
(\$87 for Old Pueblo Archaeology Center members  
and S'edav Va'aki Museum Foundation members)**

Donation covers all site entry fees and Old Pueblo's expenses. Participants are responsible for their own transportation, lodging, and meals.

Donations are due 10 days after reservation request or by 5 pm Friday September 1st, whichever is earlier.

For details and reservations contact Old Pueblo Archaeology Center at 520-798-1201 or [info@oldpueblo.org](mailto:info@oldpueblo.org).



Petroglyphs in Chevelon Canyon

*\* All tour times are ARIZONA/Mountain Standard Time (same as Pacific Daylight Time).*

**SEE THE FOLLOWING PAGES FOR MORE INFORMATION.**



**Tentative Itinerary**

**FRIDAY:**

12 pm Meet in Homolovi State Park visitor center. (Arrive early if you want to view the exhibits and visit the gift shop.) Turn in signed acknowledgment of risk forms and attend orientation by Al Dart and Rich Lange.

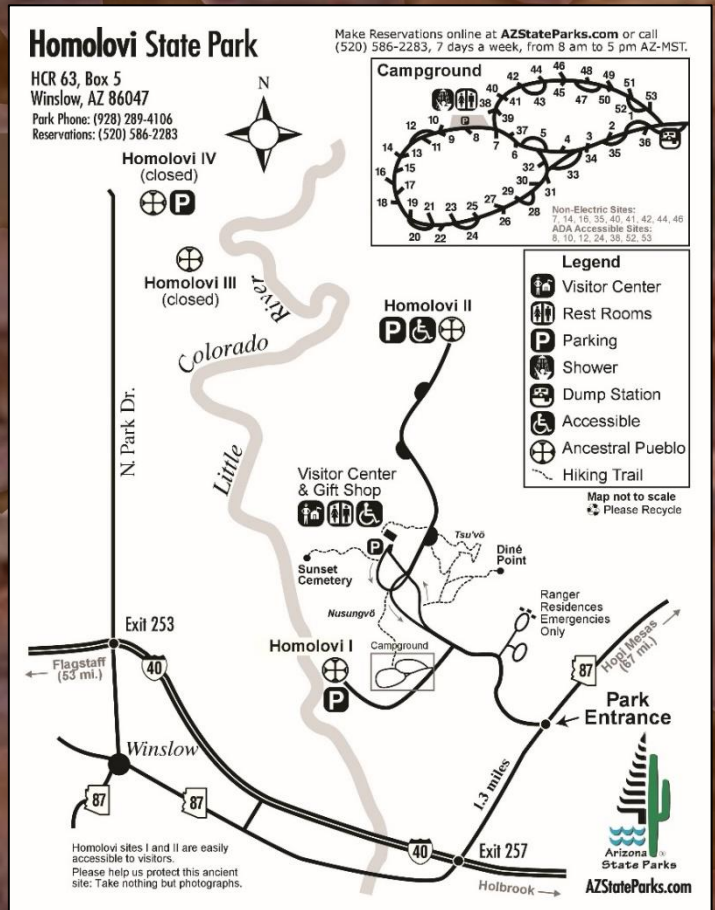
Visit HP-36 pithouse village (Basketmaker II/ Early Agricultural period, ca. 1000 BCE-300 CE; Basketmaker III, ca. 620-780 CE; and Pueblo II-III, ca. 1150-1225), which is located behind the visitor center on a partly paved trail (easy walking).

Drive to Homol'ovi II pueblo (1360-1400), walk on and off paved trail, easy walking.

Drive to Homol'ovi I pueblo (1280-1400); no paved trail but easy walking.

If there is time, interest, and cooperative weather in terms of heat and wind, we'll drive toward Winslow and visit or at least point out Homol'ovi IV pueblo (1260-1280) and petroglyphs. Homol'ovi IV generally is not open to the public.

Drive back into Winslow, arrive around 5 to 5:30 pm if we are fairly quick about things.



Homolovi State Park map from Arizona State Parks website



Ground plan of Homol'ovi II Pueblo, inhabited during the Late period, Homol'ovi phase between 1360 and 1400

**Optional Friday group dinner suggestion:** Members of our group are welcome to get together for dinner in the Turquoise Room restaurant in Winslow's La Posada Hotel – one of the historic original Fred Harvey southwestern railroad hotels. If you want to be part of our dinner group, make your reservations with Al Dart rather than calling the restaurant.

**SATURDAY:**

8 am Meet at Rock Art Ranch using maps and directions Rich provides in the Friday orientation. (Mapquest and Google Earth will lead you far astray!)

Drive to replica Navajo farmstead site created by ranch owner Brantley Baird.

Drive to Brandy's Pueblo (site RAR-2) where ASM archaeologists excavated for several years, and which Brantley has since roofed, enclosed, and "decorated."

Drive to the Chevelon Steps ramada then hike down into Chevelon Canyon to view petroglyphs, which include many Archaic period panels and some later glyphs (8000 BCE-500 CE). We must hike down some rickety steps and on slick rock in and out of the canyon. There are no improved trails in the canyon.

The tour wraps up at Chevelon Steps ramada by about 1 pm, after which registrants can head home.

**CARRY WATER WITH YOU ON EVERY WALK/HIKE!**

**SEE IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON NEXT PAGE.**



## IMPORTANT TOUR INFORMATION

**COST AND PAYMENT POLICY:** Reservations are accepted on a first-come basis. Full payment is due 10 days after reservation request or by 5 pm Friday September 1st, whichever is earlier. A portion of the tour donation will be a tax-deductible contribution to Old Pueblo Archaeology Center (Old Pueblo) in an amount to be determined based on tour expenses compared to revenues after all expenses have been paid. Any entrance fee savings from passes, permits, memberships, etc., become part of the donation to Old Pueblo. We welcome singles, couples, and groups.

**CANCELLATIONS** less than seven days prior to departure date are not refundable. Cancellation notice must be received in writing or via email, and will be effective as of the date received. Cancellations after final payment date/time will result in forfeiture of all money paid. No refund will be made for leaving a program in progress. Trip insurance is highly recommended. Old Pueblo reserves the right to cancel programs while in progress and to take action as needed on an individual or group basis, when in Old Pueblo's sole opinion the health, safety, or well-being of participants requires such action. The tour itinerary is subject to change at the discretion of Old Pueblo Archaeology Center, but participants will be notified of significant changes in advance if the change is under the control of Old Pueblo.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Registrants are responsible for their own transportation and navigation. If traveling from Tucson, allow a minimum of 5½ hours to drive to Homolovi State Park depending on traffic conditions and how many pit stops you make.

**ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS:** No lodging or meals are included in tour donation. Each participant needs to bring at least two quarts of water each day, plus snacks and other beverages as desired.

**DEPARTURE:** The tour will begin at 12 noon Friday at the Homolovi State Park Visitor Center east of Winslow. To get there from Winslow, head east on I-40, take Exit 257, and drive 1.5 miles north on Highway 87. The park entrance will be on your left. The estimated end time for the tour is around 1 pm Saturday but may be later considering how fast people can walk and regroup at the various stops and the possibility that vehicle problems can occur.

**ACCESSIBILITY:** The Friday site visits are on partly developed or actual paved trails, basically pretty flat except at Homolovi IV Pueblo, which is on a steep hill. The Saturday visits are away from civilization with minimal restroom opportunities. Tour leaders will allow plenty of time for those who cannot walk quickly. Participants can walk/hike as much or as little as they wish.

**HEALTH ADVISORIES:** Be sure to bring along plenty of water. Wear sturdy walking/hiking shoes (boots are not necessary). Bring and wear sunscreen lotion, and a hat that protects the back of your neck and your ears. You must be in good physical and mental health to do this tour. We are concerned about your health and safety. Our tour leaders have had first-aid and CPR training but medical services or facilities may not be readily available or accessible during all or part of the tour. You are responsible for selecting events appropriate to your abilities and limitations. If you have any doubts about your ability to participate, please contact us prior to registering. Any physical condition requiring special attention, diet, or treatment must be reported when the reservation is made, and a follow-up explanatory letter may be required.

**PARTICIPANTS MUST ABIDE** by all federal, state, and tribal regulations pertaining to visitation to historic sites, antiquities, and artifact sites during Old Pueblo tours. Collecting of artifacts, plants, animals, and mineral specimens is prohibited. See information at [www.oldpueblo.org/artifact-collecting/](http://www.oldpueblo.org/artifact-collecting/) and [azstateparks.com/archaeological-site-etiquette](http://azstateparks.com/archaeological-site-etiquette).

**MEMBERSHIP:** Becoming a member of Old Pueblo's *Archaeology Opportunities* support organization opens a world of new discoveries. A \$25, 1-year "Friend" membership provides the *Old Pueblo Archaeology* bulletin and discounts on some of our tour and course fees, and publications. Higher levels of membership may provide member with opportunities to participate in archaeological research projects when they are offered.

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The plan for this tour depends on cooperation from the weather – If it is too hot or too windy (or, craziness – if lightning of a storm should pop up, either the tour might not happen at all or the second day's itinerary might have to be cut short.



*Rich Lange pointing out Ancestral Pueblo features during Old Pueblo's 2015 tour  
(Photo by Allen Dart)*



*Al Dart & Annette Munoz  
at Brantley's Navajo site, 2021  
(Photo by Beth Willis)*