

AMERIVESPA 2023

RIDE GUIDE

JEROME RIDE

Ride Date and Time: Thursday, June 1 at 9:00am (120 miles RT, all day ride)

Departure Point: **Walmart Parking Lot** at 2675 S. Bulah Blvd., Flagstaff

Way Points:

- *Departure-* Walmart, 2750 S Woodlands Village Blvd, Flagstaff, AZ 86001
- *Pit Stop-* Sedona Village Shopping Ctr, 140 Coffee Pot Dr, Sedona, AZ 86336
- *Destination-* United Verde Mine, Jerome, AZ 86331 (Parking Lot)
- *Pit Stop-* Speedway, 6509 AZ-179, Sedona, AZ 86351 (Gas)
- *View Point-* Oak Creek Vista, State, AZ-89A, Flagstaff, AZ 86001
- *Return-* Walmart, 2750 S Woodlands Village Blvd, Flagstaff, AZ 86001

Google Map Link: <https://www.google.com/maps/d/edit?mid=1dsA-4Fe5mAsbWoUnrMpTW78fb71Q4qc&usp=sharing>

1. Depart following your guide leader via the parking lot exit onto S. Bulah Blvd. to avoid traffic.
2. Stay in the right lane as you go under the I-40 overpass and continue straight, don't turn onto Lake Mary Rd.
3. Remain on S. Bulah Blvd., which becomes Route 89A. When you encounter the roundabout at mile marker 399, go straight through.
4. After mile marker 391, you will begin the steep switchbacks into Oak Creek Canyon with speed limits between 10 and 35 mph.
5. At mile marker 385, expect congestion and pedestrians on the shoulder of the road for the West Fork Trail parking lot.
6. Past mile marker 382, expect congestion and pedestrians on the shoulder of the road for the Slide Rock State Park parking lot.

7. After passing the “Welcome to Sedona” sign, the speed limit drops and be prepared for the upcoming roundabout.
8. At the roundabout, go straight through. You will enter the tourist area of Sedona which is very crowded.
9. You’ll encounter another roundabout in the center of town, continue straight through.
10. Next are a pair of roundabouts, stay in the right line heading straight through both of them, remaining on 89A.
11. Turn Right at Coffee Pot Dr. (a signalized intersection). **[Pit Stop]** On the right is an ARCO for gas and further up the road is Sedona Village Shopping Center parking lot to collect and snacks are available.
12. Return to 89A and turn right. After a few miles 89A will become a divided highway with a higher speed limit.
13. Look for “Page Springs Fish Hatchery” sign on your left, exiting left at the exit. You will stop before crossing oncoming traffic.
14. Enjoy windy Page Springs Road as you view the major winery area in Northern Arizona.
15. At the end of the road, turn right onto Cornville Road.
16. Cross 89A, go through Cottonwood (the road is now called Mingus Ave.) and intercept 89A again at the end of Mingus Ave. Turn right onto 89A.
17. Go straight through 4 roundabouts. At the 5th roundabout, take the 3rd exit which is the continuation of 89A into Jerome.
18. Enjoy the windy road into Jerome, bearing left onto Hull Ave as you enter the main part of town. Turn left on Jerome Ave. then right on Main Street (which is 89A).
19. Bear right at the fire station, exiting 89A onto Jerome-Perkinsville Road. **Shortly, you will find a large parking lot on the left side. Park here and walk the short walk back into town. [Main Stop]**
20. We have allocated a stay of 3 hours for exploring and dining in Jerome. Confirm departure time with your ride leader. You are welcome to ride back on your own, if you’d like to spend more or less time.

21. Depart Jerome by retracing the drive except that you remain on Main Street (heading straight) which is 89A.
22. At the roundabout, go straight through onto Clarkdale Parkway, which will take you through historic Clarkdale. The road then changes name to Broadway and then Main Street as it enters Old Town Cottonwood.
23. Enjoy driving though Old Town Cottonwood, turning left at Mingus Ave. (signalized)
24. Cross 89A, continuing on Cornville Road through Cornville.
25. Look for the sign “Yavapai County 78” (blue) along with “Beaverhead Flat Rd” (green), turn left at this exit, heading toward 179.
26. Continue on the 78 until it intersects 179 and turn left.
27. Continue on 179 to the second roundabout at which time you will see Speedway gas station on your right. Turn left into the station. **[Pit Stop]** Available here are: gas, restrooms and food/snack options.
28. Continue north on 179 enjoying a gorgeous view of Bell Rock and the Red Rock country. Eventually you will enter Sedona, crossing Oak Creek at Tlaquepaque and head up the hill.
29. At the 89A roundabout, bear right. Retrace your route through Sedona and Oak Creek Canyon.
30. At the top of the Oak Creek Canyon switchbacks, bear right at the exit for Oak Creek Vista and proceed to the parking lot. **[View Stop]** Available here are: restrooms, snacks and a beautiful overlook of the canyon. Confirm departure time with your ride leader.
31. Continue north on 89A and retrace your route to the Walmart parking lot.

OPTIONAL RIDE DESTINATIONS IN JEROME FOR INDIVIDUAL RIDERS

Mingus Mountain Highway – Continue up 89A to the summit at 7,023 feet. Awesome ride!

- *Destination* – Mingus Mountain Summit Rest Area, Jerome, AZ 86331

Jerome State Historic Park – Learn more about the wild history of this famous mining town.

- *Destination* - Jerome State Historic Park, 100 Douglas Rd, Jerome, AZ 86331

DINING RECOMMENDATIONS IN JEROME

The Clinkscale – The best restaurant in Jerome with American standards done very well.

Haunted Hamburger – The busiest restaurant in Jerome for a good reason. Burgers.

Bobby D's BBQ – In the oldest restaurant building in Arizona, serves excellent BBQ.

Cornish Pasty Co. – Fun restaurant serving pasties (like a calzone) with all sorts of fillings.

The Bordello – Funky little café serving Mediterranean food and great burgers.