

## COLORADO RIVER STATE HISTORIC PARK

The Colorado River State Historic Park is the original home of the Yuma Quartermaster Depot, an Army supply depot that operated from 1865-1883 during the Indian Wars. The depot depended upon the Colorado River as a transportation highway that allowed steamboats to deliver tons of supplies from the California coast.

In 1904, the abandoned depot became the headquarters for the Bureau of Reclamation's Yuma Irrigation Project. The Yuma Project resulted in the construction of the first dam on the lower Colorado River, and transformed the Yuma Valley into an agricultural powerhouse.



**TODAY**, the park tells the story of the past, present, and future of the Colorado River, and its role in the settlement and development of both Yuma and the larger desert Southwest.

The Yuma Irrigation Project heralded the beginning of the river's transformation over the past one hundred years. The Bureau of Reclamation ultimately constructed eight dams on the Lower Colorado River in Arizona. Learn how the dams brought hydropower, flood control, and a secure source of water for farming and growth in the Southwest.



Visit the oldest adobes in Arizona. Marvel at the engineering wonder of the Yuma Siphon Project and stroll through the Southern Pacific Railroad and steamboat exhibits, while experiencing early life on the Colorado River at the Southwest's oldest military depot.

Come discover how the Colorado River became the most endangered river in the United States and the challenges it now faces to sustain life in the West for future generations. Your visit supports the preservation of this historic riverfront park.



### SPECIAL EVENT

#### CIVIL WAR DAYS

**JANUARY** — Watch history come to life at the annual Civil War Days event. Re-enactment groups converge for an old-school encampment and mock battles on the grassy grounds of the Colorado River State Historic Park. For more information call 928-373-5196.



#### BACK IN TIME PIE & TEA ROOM

*Open November–April*  
Try the best pie in Yuma at the Colorado River State Historic Park.




Yuma Territorial Prison State Historic Park

## FEATURING TWO OF ARIZONA'S STATE HISTORIC PARKS



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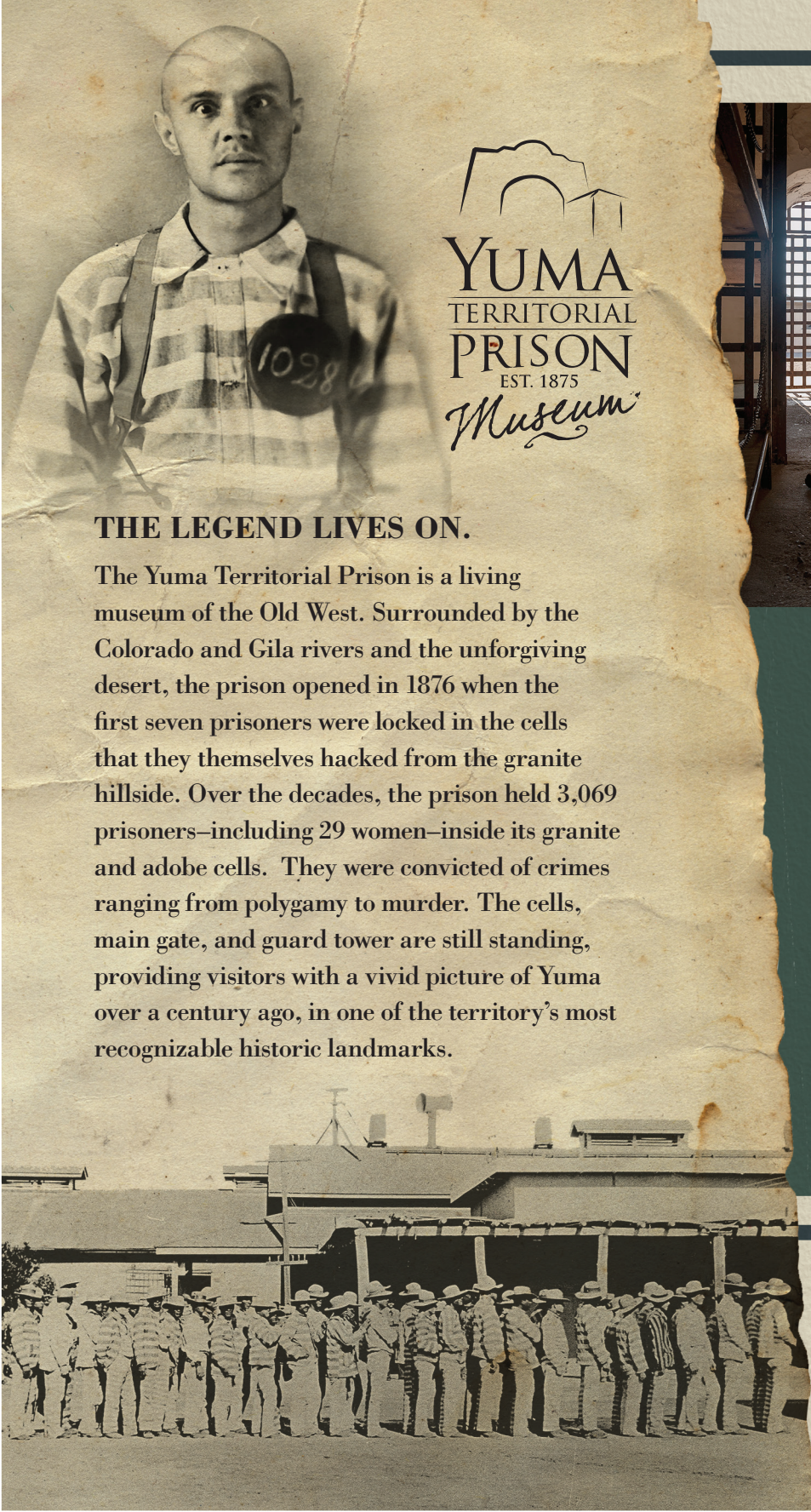


**YumaHeritage.com** or find us on   
201 N. 4th Avenue, Yuma, Arizona 85364  
1.800.293.0071 or 928.783.0071  
Open Daily, 9am-5pm | \$6 Park Admission  
Summer Schedule (June 1-September 30) Closed Mondays  
**Yuma Visitor Information Center at Park Entrance**



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## THE LEGEND LIVES ON.

The Yuma Territorial Prison is a living museum of the Old West. Surrounded by the Colorado and Gila rivers and the unforgiving desert, the prison opened in 1876 when the first seven prisoners were locked in the cells that they themselves hacked from the granite hillside. Over the decades, the prison held 3,069 prisoners—including 29 women—inside its granite and adobe cells. They were convicted of crimes ranging from polygamy to murder. The cells, main gate, and guard tower are still standing, providing visitors with a vivid picture of Yuma over a century ago, in one of the territory’s most recognizable historic landmarks.



**SANGUINETTI HOUSE  
MUSEUM & GARDENS**  
ARIZONA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**TODAY** at the prison, step back into the history of the Old West for a glimpse of convict life in the Arizona Territory. Climb the guard tower for the best view of the Colorado River and follow in the footsteps of former inmates through the original Sally Port.

In the museum, experience prison life through photos, artifacts, and exhibits including turn of the century medical equipment.

Put on a replica prison uniform and create your own commemorative mug shot.

As featured on popular television programs, “Mysteries at the Museum” and “Ghost Adventures”, get acquainted with Pearl Hart, “The Girl Bandit”, and look for ghosts in the prison cell block and cemetery where 129 prisoners are buried. Venture into the infamous “Dark Cell”, if you dare.

All of these experiences and more await you at the historic Territorial Prison. Your visit supports the preservation of this historic treasure.

### SPECIAL EVENT

#### GATHERING of the GUNFIGHTERS

**JANUARY** — Join in on the fun as Old West re-enactment groups from across the region ride into town for an old-fashioned showdown at the historic Yuma Territorial Prison. For more information call 928-373-5196.



## JEWEL OF HISTORIC YUMA

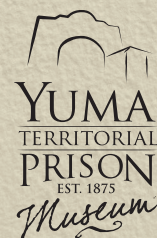
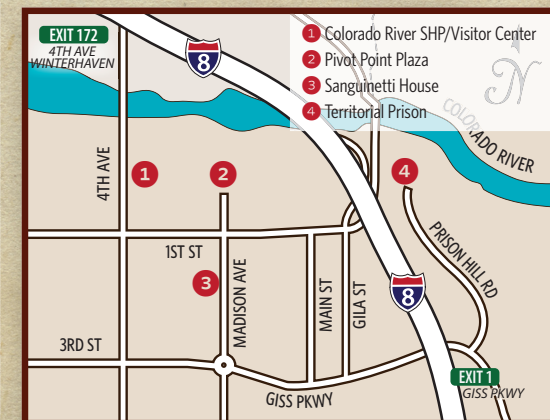
Come, visit the ever-so-charming 19th century home of Yuma’s merchant prince, E. F. Sanguinetti. Enjoy a cup of tea! Surrounded by lush gardens, his home is now a museum of the Arizona Historical Society.

### NEW EXHIBIT: CLUES – History Mysteries of Yuma

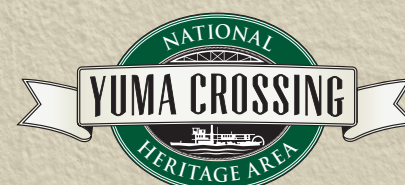
Uncover the clues. Find out for yourself...  
How, Why and Who done it!

928.782.1841 | 240 S. Madison Avenue, Yuma, AZ

Open Tuesday–Saturday, 10am–3pm | [AZHS.gov/yuma](http://AZHS.gov/yuma)



**YumaPrison.org** or find us on   
220 N. Prison Hill Road, Yuma, AZ 85364  
928.783.4771  
Open Daily, 9am-5pm | \$8 Park Admission  
Summer Schedule (June 1-September 30) Closed Tue. & Wed.  
Closed for annual park maintenance last week of September.



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