AZTEC HERITAGE PACKAGE

DAY 1

South of Aztec 7 am to 7 pm

Breakfast/Lunch at Habanero Grill (910 N.E. Aztec Blvd.; 505-334-2442)

With over 70 items on our menu, this isn't your average burrito restaurant. Come in and taste for yourself! We welcome big orders, please call ahead!

Open Monday – Sunday 5:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Aztec Ruins National Monument (Ruins Road; 505-334-6174)

World Heritage site was active from 900-1300 A.D.; ranger-led tours; 500-room pueblo; America's largest reconstructed Great Kiva; museum; bookstore; picnic area.

Downtown Aztec

Main Avenue and surrounds are a National Historic District with an eclectic shops for art, recreation, music, dining, specialty goods and services. Visit Aztec Visitor Center (505-334-9551) for a walking tour guide.

Salmon Ruins (12 mi. south of Aztec on U.S. 64; 505-632-2013)

Ancestral Puebloan community of 300 rooms, elevated tower kiva and a Great Kiva. Site occupied until the 1280s then destroyed by fire and abandoned. Located just west of Bloomfield.

Dinner at Rubio's (116 S. Main Ave.; 505-334-0599)

Mexican food including tacos, tamales, and enchilada plates to combine favorite sides of beans, rice and fries. Bar serves a New Mexican wine list, flavored margaritas, and microbrews. Patio seating.

Open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Closed Sunday.

DAY 2

Northwest of Aztec 6 am to 7:30 pm

Breakfast/Lunch at Los Barelas (1547 W. Aztec Blvd.; 505-334-1313)

Mexican food: huevos rancheros, breakfast burritos, tacos, enchiladas. Open 5-11 a.m. Closed Saturday and Sunday.

Chaco Culture National Historic Park (80 mi. south of Aztec on US 550; 505-786-7014)

World Heritage site offers the largest excavated ancestral Puebloan ruins in the Southwest. Major ruins, petroglyphs, camping.

Thai Café Restaurant (104 S. Main Ave.; 505-334-1234)

Highly rated curry dishes, pad Thai, vegetarian selections, egg rolls, and soups. Open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Closed Sunday.