

Henderson

Resorts, golf courses and Lake Mead at the door — the quiet side of the Vegas valley

Henderson is the second city of the Las Vegas valley, 20 minutes south of the Strip, with resort villages, golf courses, Lake Mead at the door and the Hoover Dam 15 minutes east. It is the quiet, residential side of the valley — the base for families who want the casinos without the noise.

At a glance

LAKE MEAD	10 min east — the largest reservoir in the US
HOOVER DAM	15 min east by car
TO THE STRIP	20 min by car or rideshare

When to go

October to April for golf, hiking and Lake Mead. Summer (June–September) is 40°C+ — plan pools and AC for midday.

Getting around

A car is essential. Henderson is 20 min south of the Strip, 15 min to Lake Mead and 15 min to Hoover Dam. The RTC bus connects to the Strip but is slow.

What to see

Lake Las Vegas	A Mediterranean resort village on a 320-acre lake, with the Westin and Hilton.
Lake Mead NRA	The largest reservoir in America — boat rental, kayak and the Hoover Dam upstream.
Hoover Dam	15 min east: the 1935 arch, the power plant tour and the bypass bridge walkway.
Ethel M Chocolate	The Henderson factory and the 4-acre cactus garden — free tour and tasting.
Clark County Museum	Heritage Street — restored 1910–1940s houses, the Ghost Town and the mining camp.
Bird Viewing Preserve	A 60-hectare preserve with 200 species, on the Pacific flyway.
Sloan Canyon	The 1,000 petroglyphs at the base of the McCullough Range — a 3-km hike.
M Resort	The locals' casino on the hill — the best buffet in the valley and the Strip view at night.

Tours worth booking

Grand Canyon West helicopter with Skywalk entry 6 hours · Adventure · 4.8/5 (9400 reviews)

Grand Canyon South Rim day trip by air 10 hours · Adventure · 4.7/5 (5200 reviews)

Hoover Dam tour with Lake Mead views 5 hours · Culture · 4.7/5 (6800 reviews)

Red Rock Canyon sunrise hike and scenic loop 4 hours · Nature · 4.9/5 (2600 reviews)

Valley of Fire day trip with a photographer 7 hours · Nature · 4.8/5 (3100 reviews)

Death Valley National Park full-day tour 11 hours · Nature · 4.7/5 (4300 reviews)

Where to stay

Westin Lake Las Vegas, Henderson Henderson · Lake Las Vegas · Resort · From \$220

Hilton Lake Las Vegas, Henderson Henderson · Lake Las Vegas · Luxury · From \$200

Green Valley Ranch Resort, Henderson Henderson · Green Valley · Resort · From \$150

M Resort & Casino, Henderson Henderson · M Resort · Luxury · From \$160

Bellagio The Strip · centre · Luxury · From \$260

Wynn Las Vegas The Strip · north · Luxury · From \$310

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