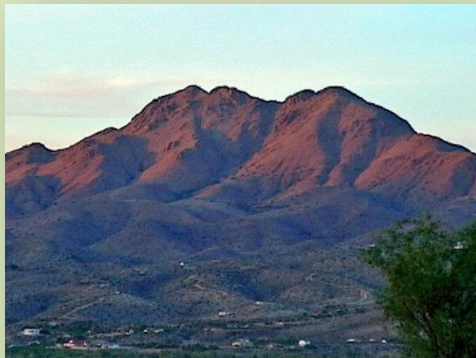


ENJOY COMFORT, CULTURE AND SECURITY AS YOU VISIT THE SOUTHERN ARIZONA BORDER REGION

The Esplendor Resort at Rio Rico is located 45 minutes south of Tucson in Santa Cruz County and 15 minutes from Nogales Arizona's Port of Entry into Nogales, [Sonora, Mexico](#) and about 25 minutes from the US-Mexico border. This is a diverse area which offers the culture of Mexico, first-class golf, modern housing developments and a small town atmosphere where crime is amongst the lowest in the State of Arizona.



Southern Arizona is a culturally rich area with a long history and close ties to Mexico. Despite the reputation that some border communities face, Arizona statistics show it remains one of the safest locations in the state. According to a report provided by the Arizona Department of Public Safety, the county shows a very low level of violent crime in 2008. Less than 2% of all car thefts in the state occurred within Santa Cruz County. There is a good chance that you have a higher incidence of crime in your own home town!

Just across the border in Mexico there are a large number of US owned business plants. These business plants provide state of the art goods around the world. Many of the plant managers and employees live in southern Arizona and travel daily to Mexico, while Mexican employees also frequent southern Arizona leisurely activities and shopping. This is truly an international region. Because of the Nogales Port of Entry, there is large contingent of law enforcement officials who are headquartered in the Nogales and Rio Rico areas for their duties along the border.

There has been no cause for concern about Swine Flu in fact with the number of incidents and the severity of the few cases, there have been about the same level as most US cities. While no location can be said to be 100% perfectly safe, there is no need for any greater concern visiting this border area than any US city.

TRAVELING TO NOGALES, MEXICO



If you plan to visit Nogales, Sonora Mexico, you will need a [passport](#) if you are 16 or older. Nogales, Sonora offers a variety of shops and restaurants with great cuisine and wonderful bargains. You will want to use the usual reasonable caution as in visiting any new country or city. Sonora, Mexico, as many locations in Mexico, saw an uprising in drug-related violence as the Mexican government has honed in on these operations. As you would with any travel

excursion, check on travel advisories before making your trip.

