ROAD TRIP: SANTA FE TO ABIQUIÚ

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MAP NOT TO SCALE
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One of the joys of New Mexico is continually being surrounded by its majestic desert landscapes, so rich in geological, anthropological, political, and cultural history. There is much to discover here! Nowhere is this more true than in the area around Georgia O’Keeffe’s Home and Studio in Abiquiú, and the landscape at Ghost Ranch. The journey there is as important as the destination; here, we offer a few suggestions for a spectacular day trip in northern New Mexico.

Starting at the Georgia O’Keeffe Museum, in downtown Santa Fe, begin your road trip by going north on Guadalupe Street until it turns into U.S. Highway 84/285 North. All points of interest on this map are off of U.S. 84. Also, note that GPS is not reliable north of Española.

1 **THE SANTA FE OPERA**
   301 Opera Drive, Santa Fe, NM 87506; 505.986.5900 or 800.280.4654; santafeopera.org
   Just past mile marker 169, The Santa Fe Opera rises on your left like the huge sails of a very large ship. The summer festival event schedule and ticket information are available at santafeopera.org. It’s a local tradition to picnic before a performance, so don’t forget to plan a tailgate party with food and drink.

2 **KOKOMAN FINE WINE & LIQUOR**
   34 Cities of Gold Road, Pojoaque (on GPS as Santa Fe), NM 87506; 505.455.2219; kokomanliquors.com
   Kokoman is an unpretentious wine and liquor store that stocks one of the largest selections of exceptional wines in the Santa Fe area. Find the perfect pinot grigio for your picnic. Open daily.

3 **MOONRISE OVER HERNANDEZ, NEW MEXICO**
   Ansel Adams took this iconic image somewhere between mile markers 194 and 195. Much has changed since 1941, when he snapped this picture—the graveyard is now obscured by development—but it’s still a stunning view. Because of traffic on the highway, it’s best to slow and enjoy the vista without stopping.

4 **PURPLE ADOBE LAVENDER FARM**
   U.S. 84 between mile markers 210 and 211; 505.685.0082; purpleadobelavenderfarm.com
   Look for the road sign and purple banner: “Purple Adobe Lavender Farm.” Enjoy the fresh scent of lavender as you delight in tea and a scone under the shade of a huge cottonwood. Take home essential oils, culinary lavender, or a hand-embroidered tea towel. Open Tuesday–Saturday 10–3; tours available.

5 **ABIQUIÚ INN**
   21120 U.S. 84, Abiquiú, NM 87510; 505.685.4378; abiquiuinn.com
   The Abiquiú Inn features lodging, a very nice restaurant, and a gift shop, and is the check-in point for your tour of the Georgia O’Keeffe Home and Studio. Twenty-five charming casitas offer a great home base for hiking, fishing, kayaking, sightseeing, and exploring this richly historic land. Ask about special inn rates available to O’Keeffe Museum visitors.

6 **GEORGIA O’KEEFFE HOME AND STUDIO TOURS**
   21120 U.S. 84, Abiquiú, NM 87510; 505.685.4539; okeeffemuseum.org
   Advance reservations via the Museum’s website are required for tours of O’Keeffe’s Home and Studio. Open Tuesday–Saturday, March–November.

7 **BODE’S GENERAL STORE**
   21196 U.S. 84, Abiquiú, NM 87510; 505.685.4422; bodes.com
   Bode’s General Store was a frequent stop for Georgia O’Keeffe—she gassed up here. Legions of travelers enjoy this combination café, gas station, grocery store, and local gathering place. Grab a soda, stay for a green-chile cheeseburger, stock up for a hike or a camping trip, or read the locals’ bulletin board.

8 **GHOST RANCH**
   1708 U.S. 84, Abiquiú, NM 87510; 505.685.4333; ghostranch.org
   Ghost Ranch, about 15 miles north of Abiquiú, winds through dramatic, colorful terrain made famous in paintings by Georgia O’Keeffe, who kept a summer home here. Today, Ghost Ranch is a 21,000-acre retreat and education center owned by the Presbyterian Church. Sign up for one of several guided tours highlighting sites that Georgia O’Keeffe painted, or explore on your own. Buy a day pass that combines several activities, or stay longer—weeklong workshops and retreats offer an extended experience.