## THE STATE OF

## ARIZONA

- Statehood: 1912; 48th state
- Capital: Phoenix
- Population: 7.279 million (2019)
- Nickname: The Grand Canyon State
- State Bird—Cactus Wren
- State Flower—Saguaro Cactus Blossom
- State Fossil: Petrified Wood
- State Gemstone: Turquoise
- State Mineral: Wulfenite
- State Neckwear: Bolo Tie
- Abbreviation: AZ

## **KNOWN FOR**

- Hot & Dry Desert Climate
- Red Rocks of Sedona
- Hoover Dam
- Saguaro Cactus
- Grand Canyon National Park
- Native American Fry Bread
- Longest remaining intact section of Route 66, from Seligman to Topock, a total of 157 miles.

## **FUN FACTS**

- The village of Supai, located at the bottom of the Grand Canyon, is the only place in the country where mail is delivered by mule.
- Arizona has 18 national monuments, more than any other state in the USA.
- A saguaro cactus can store up to nine tons of water.

