



Considered a world-class aerospace attraction, the Pima Air & Space Museum, located in Tucson, Arizona, is one of the largest aviation museums in the world. The museum opened in 1976 as part of the nation's bicentennial celebration by the Arizona Aerospace Foundation. Today, the 80-acre Pima Air & Space Museum exhibits more than 300 of the most important aircraft in the history of flight and 125,000 artifacts, along with a specialized aircraft restoration shop.

In addition to the aircraft and artifacts, the Pima Air & Space Museum is home to the Arizona Aviation Hall of Fame and the 390th Memorial Museum (a museum within a museum), as well as the offices of the Arizona Aerospace Foundation, which operates the facility. The museum also offers exclusive tours of the world's largest military aircraft storage facility at the Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Group (AMARG), located on Davis-Monthan Air Force Base across the street from the museum.

Visitors can explore the museum individually or take a docent-led walking tour of the hangars, which include exhibits of Early Aviation, Black Aviation, Combat Glider, Medevac and Air Carriers. In addition, there is a narrated tram tour of the museum's outside aircraft exhibits including Presidential Aircraft and Ground Launched Cruise Missiles. Museum highlights include the SR-71 Blackbird reconnaissance aircraft, the B-36, the VC-118 "Air Force One" used by Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, along with a full size replica of the Wright Flyer and the grand bombers of World War II.

The Pima Air & Space Museum was created entirely as a volunteer effort, and relies heavily on volunteer participation. The museum boasts more than 300 volunteers, welcoming over 250,000 guests each year. The museum also hosts community, private and business events.

For further information on the Pima Air & Space Museum, visit the website at www.pimaair.org.

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