



The Sun Country Striders
 Welcomes You to
Aztec



San Juan County
 AVA Sanctioned Year Round Event

This walk is composed of 5 and 10km routes. Aztec is the county seat of San Juan County and home to the Aztec Ruins National Monument, which is the home to some of the best preserved Chacoan structures. The 5k walk explores the historic downtown area and passes historic buildings. The 10k route covers more of the downtown district and city parks.

Walk Registration:

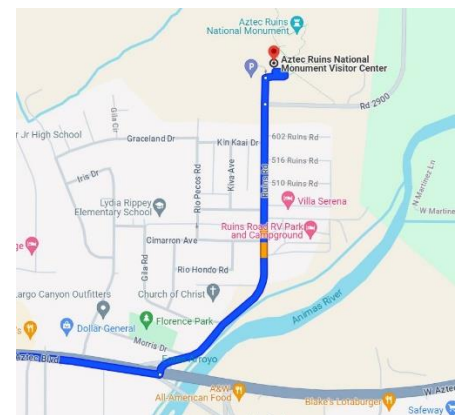
Please use the Online Start Box (OSB) to register. The directions and stamps will be available during the Las Cruces National Convention Apr 30 thru May 4 and at the group walks May 5-8, 2025 from the POC at selected sites. If wishing to do the walk on the way to the events, use the OSB or contact the POC.

Walk Completion and Walk Credit:

Once you have completed the walk, login to your Online Start Box account click on the "My Start Box" tab, then the "Finish Table" tab, then click on "Go to Finish Table" button for the event you have completed. Submit the date and distance of your walk as well as applicable AVA Special Programs to generate stamped "virtual" insert cards.

Driving Directions to Start Point:

The walk starts at Aztec Ruins National Monument at 725 Ruins Rd in Aztec. From Farmington, take NM-516 east to Aztec which becomes Aztec Blvd and US-550. Turn north on Ruins Rd and follow signs to the Visitor Center parking lot.



Restrooms available at the start and at various businesses in the area.

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AZTEC – SAN JUAN COUNTY – 6K

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1. From the parking lot, enter the Visitor Center (tour if desired) and exit thru the back door to the ruins trail. Explore the ruins and return to the visitor center.
2. Keep to the left of the visitor center, walk thru the parking lot to the picnic area and look for the trail exiting the monument and crossing the road.
3. Follow the trail crossing the Animas River to a road (W Martinez Ln).
4. **LEFT** on dirt road/trail (Martinez) keeping the river on your right.
5. Continue of trail to McCoy Ave.
6. **RIGHT** on McCoy Ave to US-550/Aztec Blvd.
7. **RIGHT** on Aztec Blvd 1 block to the light at Pioneer (on right) and Mesa Verde (on left).
8. **LEFT** on Mesa Verde crossing Aztec Blvd at the light.
9. **CONTINUE** on Mesa Verde a short way to Fairgrounds Rd.
10. **RIGHT** on Fairgrounds 1 block to Church Ave.
11. **LEFT** on Church 3 blocks to Chaco St.
12. **RIGHT** on Chaco 1 block to Main St.
13. **CROSS** and **RIGHT** on Main several blocks to the entrance to Pioneer Park and Aztec Museum.
14. **LEFT** thru the park and circle the park looking at the buildings and old farm equipment.
15. Continue **LEFT** around the museum area returning to Main St.
16. **LEFT** on Main to Aztec Blvd.
17. **CROSS** Aztec and continue straight ahead to the end of the road and parking area. Look for the North Main Trail straight ahead.
18. **CONTINUE** on the trail to Martinez (dirt road/trail), and then continue straight ahead to the bridge over the Animas River.
19. **CROSS** the bridge and return to your car at the National Monument. **END of 6K.**

**Event related assistance:
Helen Hull: 972-530-1026**

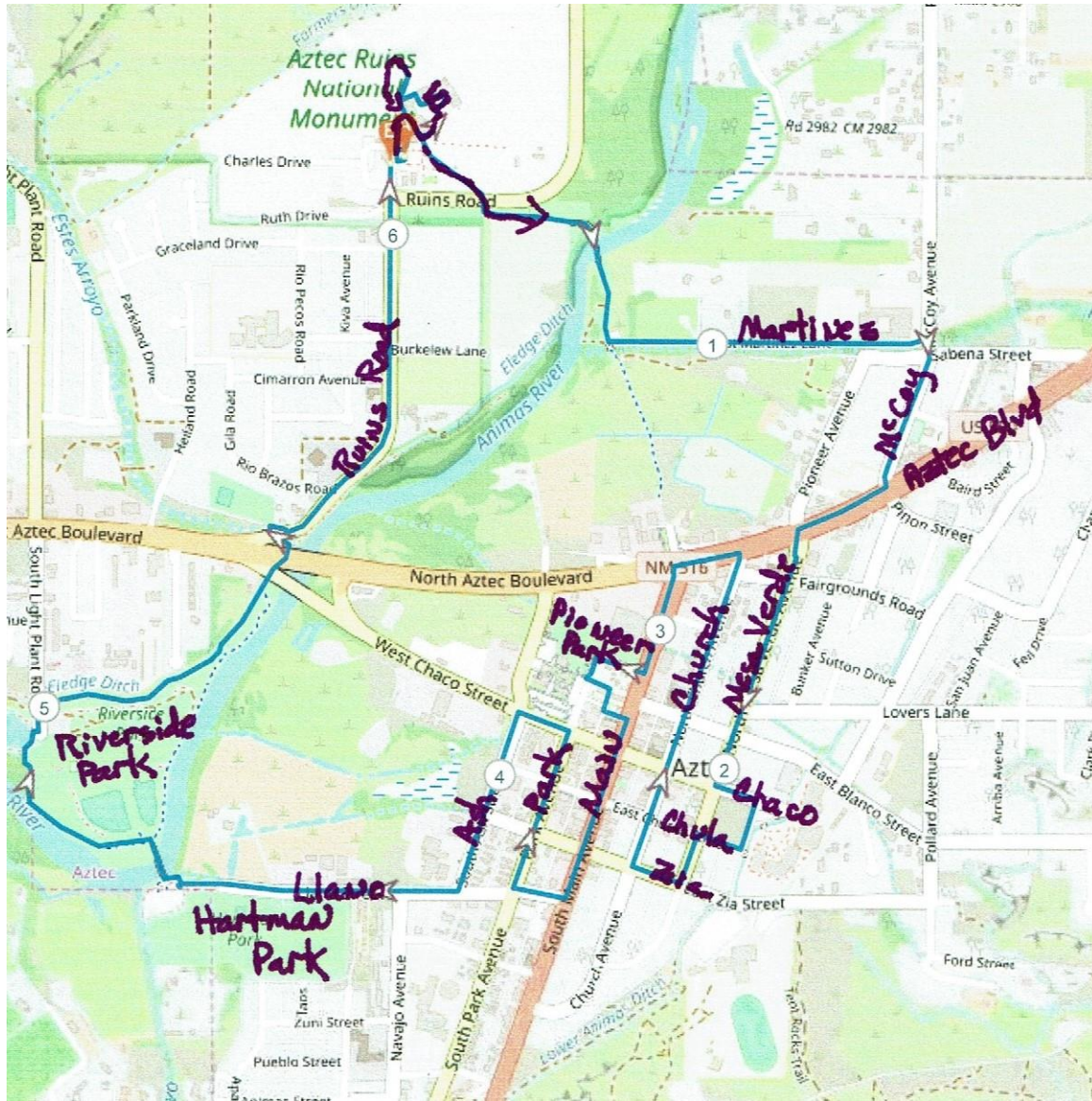
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5. Continue of trail to McCoy Ave.
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7. **RIGHT** on Aztec Blvd 1 block to the light at Pioneer (on right) and Mesa Verde (on left).
8. **LEFT** on Mesa Verde crossing Aztec Blvd at the light.
9. **CONTINUE** on Mesa Verde several blocks to Chaco.
10. **LEFT** on Chaco to the end of the street and Aztec High School.
11. **U-TURN** back a short distance to Jemez.
12. **LEFT** on Jemez 1 block to Chuska (school road). (If closed, return to Mesa Verde, then **LEFT** on Mesa Verde to Zia, **RIGHT** on Zia 1 block to Church, skip to STEP 16.)
13. **RIGHT** on Chuska 1 block to Mesa Verde.
14. **LEFT** on Mesa Verde 1 block to Zia St.
15. **RIGHT** on Zia 1 block to Church.
16. **RIGHT** on Church 5 blocks to Aztec Blvd.
17. **LEFT** on Aztec 1 block to Main St.
18. **CROSS** and **LEFT** on Main about 1 block to the entrance to Pioneer Park and the Aztec Museum.
20. **RIGHT** thru the park and circle the park looking at the buildings and old farm equipment.
21. Continue **LEFT** around the museum area returning to Main St.
22. **RIGHT** on Main 3 blocks to Llano.
23. **RIGHT** on Llano 1 block to Park Ave.
24. **RIGHT** on Park 3 blocks to Chaco.
25. **LEFT** on Chaco 1 block to Ash.
26. **LEFT** on Ash 3 blocks to Llano (library and Boys and Girls Club on the right).
27. **RIGHT** on Llano passing Hartman Park on the left and athletic fields on the right. Continue to the parking lot at the end of the street and bridge to the right.
28. **RIGHT** crossing the bridge to Riverside Park.
29. Keep **LEFT** on trail parallel to the road to a pond.
30. Continue toward the park exit and look for the trail next to the Elledge Mill Ditch.
31. **RIGHT** on trail and continue under Aztec Blvd and along Ruins Rd. You may have to leave trail after crossing under Aztec Blvd to Ruins Rd.
32. Follow Ruins Rd back to the Visitor Center and your car. **END of 10K.**

Event Related Questions:

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