

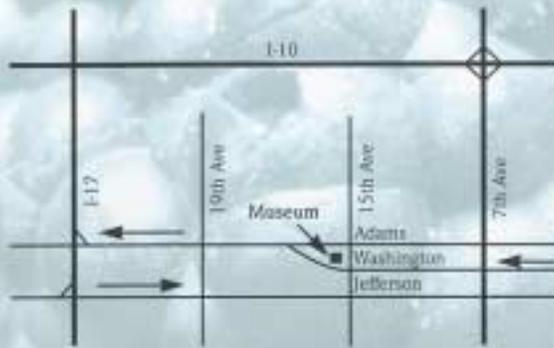
The Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum commemorates the mining industry that helped build Arizona. Arizona is the Nation's number one mining state with the largest value of non-fuel mineral production.



TURQUOISE



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HOURS:

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays
11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays
Closed Sundays and State holidays

FACILITIES:

Mineral displays, museum store, outside exhibits,
Mineral Resource Information office

Adult Admission \$2.00



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Arizona Mining & Mineral Museum





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The Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum can trace its origin back to the first Arizona Fair, held in November of 1884! The mineral display was said to "overshadow all else." By the 1917 State Fair, the building that was to house the collection for the next 74 years had been constructed.



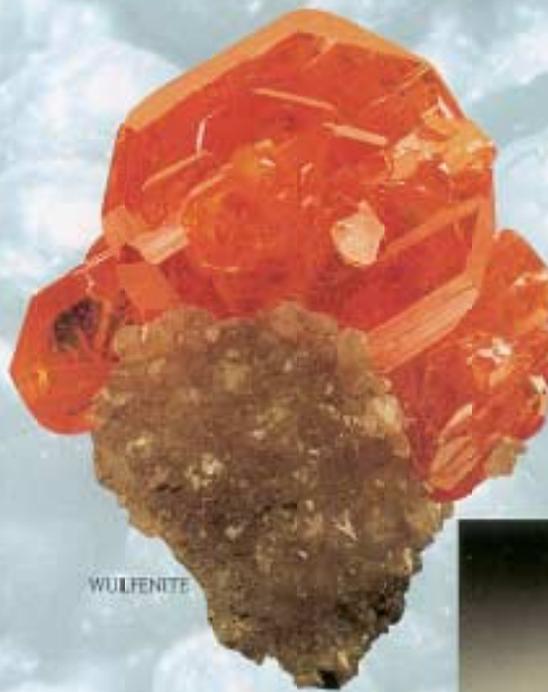
GOLD

In 1973 the Arizona Mining Association turned the collection over to the State Department of Mines and Mineral Resources. The collection, already one of the finest in the world, has been growing and improving since that time. In 1989 the State remodeled the El Zaribah Shrine Building to house the Department offices and the mineral museum. Today, over 18,000 school children and 38,000 other visitors tour each year. The Museum draws mineral collectors and rockhounds from around the world.

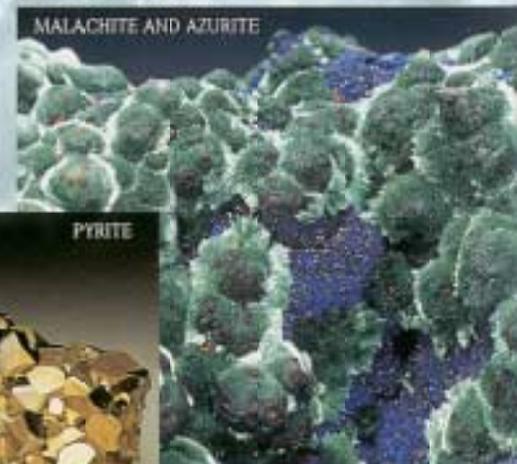


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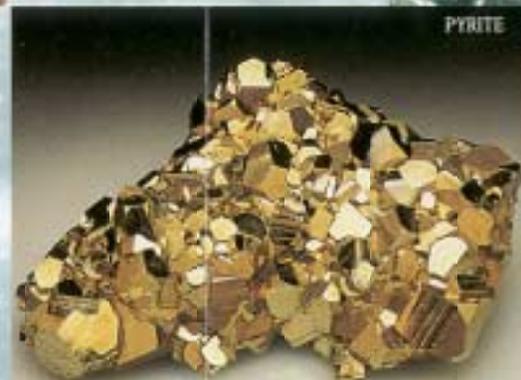
Arizona, the site of tremendous geological activity in the past, has a diversity of minerals found in few other places on Earth. Appropriately, since Arizona is the Copper State, producing over 65 percent of the Nation's domestic supply, many of the minerals in the collection are copper minerals - turquoise, malachite, azurite, chrysocolla, bornite. Look for their stunning blues and greens in the displays.



WULFENITE



MALACHITE AND AZURITE



PYRITE



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