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Welcome to San Tan Valley, Arizona

County: Maricopa
Population: 81,321
Founded: 2010
Square Miles: 37
Distance from
Sky Harbor Airport: 43 Miles
Approx. Drive Time: 55 Minutes
City Sales Tax: 1.6%
State Sales Tax: 5.6%
Average Sales Price: \$209,200



San Tan Valley, Encantera Golf Club

San Tan Valley is located in the unincorporated area between the towns of Queen Creek to the north and west, Apache Junction to the north, and Florence to the south. The area is also bound by the San Tan Mountains Regional Park on the west and the Gila River Indian Community on the southwest. The area consists largely of master planned communities, such as Johnson Ranch, Ironwood Crossing, Pecan Creek, Morning Sun Farms, San Tan Heights, Skyline Ranch, Copper Basin and Circle Cross Ranch.

History of the name "San Tan" The words "San Tan" have a rich Native American background and originates from the Tohono O'odham (Papago) for the Spanish words "Santa Ana" or in English, Saint Anne. The word was used to name a mountain range that sits in north eastern Pinal County, soaring up to a 3010 foot elevation. It is home to a 10,000 acre park with hiking trails, native american petroglyphs and diverse geology. Because the mountain range sits also on southern border of Maricopa county, many people in both Pinal and southern Maricopa counties identify with SanTan area and word.

San Tan Valley, AZ History

San Tan Valley derives its name from the nearby [San Tan Mountains](#). Previously referred to as San Tan Heights or San Tan Foothills, the community lacked any official name. After a town vote, it is now San Tan Valley.