



## FACT SHEET

### ADDRESS

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### CASINO

Unveiled in October 2020, the spectacular 166,341-square-foot – and 100% smoke-free – [We-Ko-Pa Casino Resort](#) offers state-of-the-art gaming along with a wide variety of dining establishments, event venues, Native American design elements and other attributes designed to maximize the comfort, safety and enjoyment of all who visit the casino and stay at the AAA Four Diamond hotel.

The sophisticated new casino replaces the original Fort McDowell Casino that initially opened in 1984 as a bingo hall. Eight years later, the proud Yavapai Nation peacefully – and successfully – held off the attempts of federal agents to seize their slot machines, protecting their right to operate a casino on their reservation and provide livelihoods for their tribal members.

### GAMING

The stunning 24/7 casino features more than 800 multi-dimensional slot machines, a 650-seat smoke-free bingo hall with 50-inch LED monitors, and action-packed table games including blackjack, poker, craps and roulette. Thanks to a partnership with Betfred Sports, sports betting is available in the sportsbook at WKP Sports and Entertainment, on kiosks located in the restaurant and casino, and on the Betfred Sports app.

### ACCOMMODATIONS

The tranquil, architecturally rich desert property features 246 contemporary, elegantly appointed guestrooms and suites that artfully blend stylish décor with exceptional amenities. All 100% smoke-free rooms boast spectacular mountain or pool views, as well as free high-speed wireless Internet, free self-parking, luxurious linens, flat-screen TVs, refrigerators, coffeemakers and in-room safes.

The hotel was named a AAA Four Diamond recipient during its first fiscal year of operation in 2007 and has proudly retained that designation ever since. It was also honored with TripAdvisor's 2022 Travelers' Choice Award.

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### DINING

A recipient of Wine Spectator's "Best of Award of Excellence" in 2021 and OpenTable's 2022 Diners' Choice Award, the casino resort's flagship outlet [Ember](#) is a high-end steakhouse that specializes in seafood and American Wagyu beef prepared on a wood-burning grill and offers an impressive wine cellar with more than 750 wines and spirits from around the world. [WKP Sports & Entertainment](#) sports bar features creative pub fare and craft beer along with live entertainment, sports betting and gaming activities, while [The Market](#) quick-serve restaurant provides on-the-go options 24/7. Those seeking a buffet-style experience will enjoy [The Dining Studio](#) where Las Tapas and Dragon Wok & Noodle offer a variety of traditional Mexican and Asian favorites, respectively. At the adjoining hotel, [Ahnala](#) serves American-style comfort food for breakfast and lunch. The casino resort also offers private dining areas, patios, a piano lounge and several bars – including the Center Bar literally in the midst of all the action.

### SPA

The [Amethyst Spa](#) offers a wide variety of massages and facials. The spa's namesake Amethyst Facial was created to honor the lavender gems mined in the nearby Four Peaks mountains.

### RECREATION

To relax mind, body and spirit, the resort offers two heated resort-style pools, two spas, five-hole putting green, ping pong, cornhole and horseshoe area. A poolside bar and grill serves a thirst- and hunger-quenching variety of drinks, sandwiches, burgers and salads.

### GOLF

Right across the street is the [We-Ko-Pa Golf Club](#), home of two award-winning courses and a beautiful clubhouse with a restaurant and Top 100 golf shop. *Cholla*, the original golf course, was designed by Scott Miller and offers target-style play. The newer course, *Saguaro*, was designed by Bill Coore and Ben Crenshaw with a more traditional layout. Both courses boast panoramic desert and mountain scenery – with no homes, condos or townhomes lining the fairways or interrupting the views.

### OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

[Fort McDowell Adventures](#) is the place to go for one-of-a-kind Wild West experiences – whether it's a cowboy-inspired activity or a unique venue to hold a wedding reception, family reunion or company party. Guests can enjoy horseback riding, cowboy cookouts, desert Segway tours – even a City Slicker Cattle Drive! And there are two unique event venues – Rosa's Ranch and La Puesta del Sol – where every special occasion can end with a spectacular desert sunset.

### CONFERENCE CENTER

The [Wassaja Conference Center](#) offers 25,000 square feet of flexible meeting space (with seating for up to 1,800) including six breakout rooms and an 18,000-square-foot ballroom that can be divided into nine separate meeting spaces. Meeting planners can design anything from a small training session or board meeting to a themed banquet dinner or company-wide convention, and all facilities feature state-of-the-art audio, visual and computer capabilities along with catering menus that can be customized to fit any taste or budget.

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### **PATRON SAFETY**

All gaming areas, hotel rooms and public spaces, dining outlets and entertainment venues are 100% smoke-free, with four comfortable outdoor areas designated for smokers. In addition, the property is in full compliance with all local- and state-mandated health precautions.

### **LOCATION**

One of the many enterprises of the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation, the We-Ko-Pa Casino Resort offers beautiful views of the surrounding Sonoran Desert as well as the sacred Four Peaks mountains (translated as “We-Ko-Pa” in Yavapai.) The casino resort is located off Arizona State Highway 87, within a 30-minute drive of Sky Harbor International Airport and the myriad of attractions, shopping and dining establishments in the Phoenix/Scottsdale area.

### **FORT MCDOWELL YAVAPAI NATION**

The Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation is an 889-member Native American tribe that calls Central Arizona’s upper Sonoran Desert home. Located to the northeast of Phoenix within Maricopa County, Arizona, the 40-square mile reservation is a small part of the ancestral territory of the once nomadic Yavapai people, who hunted and gathered food in a vast area of Arizona’s desert lowlands and mountainous Mogollon Rim country.

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