Beat the heat at these local pools

There are plenty of places, price ranges for refreshing swim

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July has been punctuated by heatwaves, leaving residents looking for a place to cool down. Public pools, gym pools, hotel pools, rental pools — here are all the places to make a splash this summer.

Public Pools

The new aquatics center at Sonoma Valley High School is marking its first summer as the city's public pool. During the school year, the pools are only open to the public on early mornings and weekends, as students use the facilities during the day. But from June through mid-August, anyone can come down and visit the 16-lane, 25-foot pool and its smaller warmer-water instruction pool. There are also swim classes and camps, managed by the nonprofit Sonoma Splash. Memberships and day passes are available for purchase. Memberships range from \$60 to \$123 monthly. Day passes are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$5 for children. Adults accompanying a child receive a guardian discount and are \$5 as well.

Location: Sonoma Valley High School, 20000 Broad-

After a brief closure, Morton's Warm Springs in Glen Ellen is back with its two geothermal pools that ensure the water is never too cold. The property also has picnic grounds and a small cafe, making it the perfect place to linger on a hot day. General admission for a day pass range from \$15-\$25, or free for children under 2 with a



Morton's Warm Springs in Glen Ellen has two pools heated by the natural warm springs of the Sonoma Valley. The water is comfortable at about 83 degrees.



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The Sonoma Valley High School Aquatic Center on May 10.

swim diaper. A reservation must be made in advance. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Annual season passes are available at \$400 for an individual, with family passes for \$600 for two adults, plus an additional

\$100 per child and \$200 per adult, with a maximum of four family members.

Location: 1651 Warm Springs Road, Glen Ellen

Gym Pools You don't need a full membership to enjoy the CHRISTOPHER CHUNG / THE PRESS DEMOCRAT

The main resort pool at the Fairmont Sonoma Mission Inn & Spa in Sonoma on June 26.

pools at two local gyms. Last year, Sonoma Fit took over operations at the Sonoma Aquatic Center in the Springs. Now, residents can plunge

into the Sonoma Fit Pool

cost \$25 for locals and \$35

Club, where day passes

for visitors. Admission includes any classes offered that day. It is open seven days a week and includes an outdoor pool, indoor pool and a hot tub.

Location: 17350 Vailetti Drive, Sonoma At Parkpoint, the pool is available for recreational use Friday through Sunday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. The rest of the time, an individual lane can be rented in 30-minute intervals for exercise. A day pass fee for renting a lane, including the use of the other facilities at the fitness center. is \$20 if accompanied by a member and \$30 if not.

Location: 19111 Sonoma Highway, Sonoma

Hotel Pool

You don't have to be a guest to access the Fairmont Sonoma Mission Inn's picturesque pools, where day passes are available at the main pool and spa pool. The spa is only for adults only and features five thermal mineral pools ranging from 92 to 102 degrees and a Roman-style bathhouse. It includes access to steam rooms, saunas, fitness classes and food service. Spa day passes for visitors are \$149, but the fee can be waived with the purchase of certain spa treatments. The main hotel pool is open to all with food service and complimentary wifi. Adults are \$100, children are \$50 and private cabanas for two are available for \$300. All passes can be found on resortpass.com.

Location: 100 Boyes Blvd., Sonoma

Rent a Pool

For more peace and quiet, you can rent a pool at a private residence for an hour or a day on swimply. com. It is like the Airbnb of pools, tennis courts, pickleball and backyards. Prices depend on the property, which can range from \$60 an hour for a simple and shady backyard splash in Glen Ellen, or \$150 for a luxury dip with vineyard views.

Ansel Adams photography exhibit opens in Sonoma

Scott Nichols Gallery will host the iconic work through Oct. 14

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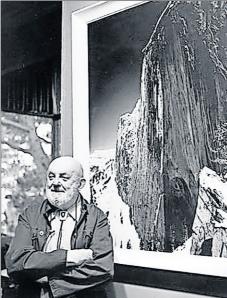
The Scott Nichols Gallery is hosting California's most famous photographer,

The exhibit includes photographs spanning his decades of exploration in the American West from Yosemite National Park to the desert gardens of the southwest. In addition, the exhibit will feature vintage photographs and the

Ansel Adams. Through Oct. 14, visitors can see "Ansel Adams in Our Time."

The opening reception for the exhibit will take place from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, July 29, at 450 First St. E., suite G.

The Scott Nichols Gallery is a fine art photography gallery located in the Mercato Complex on the Plaza. It houses one of the largest private collections of classic California photographers such as Edward Weston, Brett Weston, Dorothea Lange, Imogen Cunningham, Ruth Bernhard, Wynn Bullock and William Garnett.



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In this Dec. 2.1980 file photo showing late photographer, Ansel Adams poses in front of his photograph of one of the views of **Yosemite National Park titled, 'Monolith:** The Face of Half Dome, 1927,' in his home in **Carmel Highlands.**

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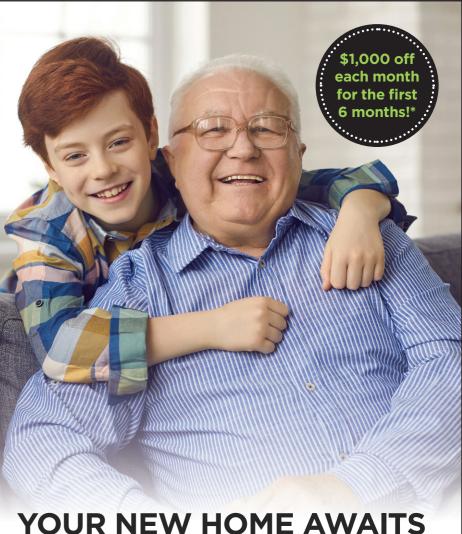
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