Archaeology is Everywhere

Everywhere people have lived, there are historic and cultural sites. At home or traveling to other communities, be respectful of the people and history there.

Learn more by contacting your State Historic Preservation Office or the Society for American Archaeology
https://www.saa.org/about-archaeology/archaeology-tourism

Remember to Leave Artifacts Where They Are
Archaeological sites tell stories of past people's lives. Moving artifacts takes away from those stories. Admire, draw, or photograph them instead.

Be a Good Steward of the Past
It is everyone's responsibility to protect archaeological sites for the future. If you find a structure or artifact, please leave it in place. You can record the location and alert an archaeologist.

Think About What You Leave Behind
Leaving your own materials at archaeological sites could spoil the experience for others. Trash, food, and campfires can contaminate sites, making it harder to learn about the past.

Be Careful Where You Walk at an Archaeological Site
Stepping, leaning, sitting, or climbing on structures could damage them. Pay close attention to signs and paths in parks or heritage areas.