People have lived here for over 10,000 years. Today, at least 12 Native American tribes think of Grand Canyon as part of their homeland. The canyon’s grandeur attracts millions of visitors each year from all over the world.

Find 1,000 YEARS AGO
MILLION YEAR TRAIL

John Wesley Powell
led the first geologic exploration through Grand Canyon in 1869.

Find 4,000 YEARS AGO
MILLION YEAR TRAIL

Ancestral Puebloans
farmed the canyon bottom.
These rooms were used to store their crops.

Find 10,000 YEARS AGO
MILLION YEAR TRAIL

Paleo-Indians made
split-twig figures.
These 4,000-year-old figurines have been found in caves. They are some of the oldest human-made artifacts in Grand Canyon.

Nomadic hunters lived here 10,000 years ago. They may have influenced the extinction of large mammals like the Shasta Sloth.