

Fort Stanton

FORT STANTON, NEW MEXICO | FORT STANTON

ARE THE HUNDREDS THAT HAVE DIED AT THIS MASSIVE FORMER MILITARY BASE STILL HERE?

WHO IS HAUNTING THE 88 STRUCTURES? FORMER POWS? TUBERCULOSIS PATIENTS? PRISONERS? SOLDIERS?



**HOST
HUNTERS**

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Tim Roberts is feeling the intense pressure of answering for the unexplained happenings at Fort Stanton. As the Deputy Director of New Mexico Historic Sites, he is responsible for the two people who live on the main grounds who are freaked out by what they've seen and heard. This stream of hauntings makes Tim suspicious that the people who have died here haven't left. Tim is desperate to know: *Is Fort Stanton actually haunted?*

**PARANORMAL
CLAIMS**



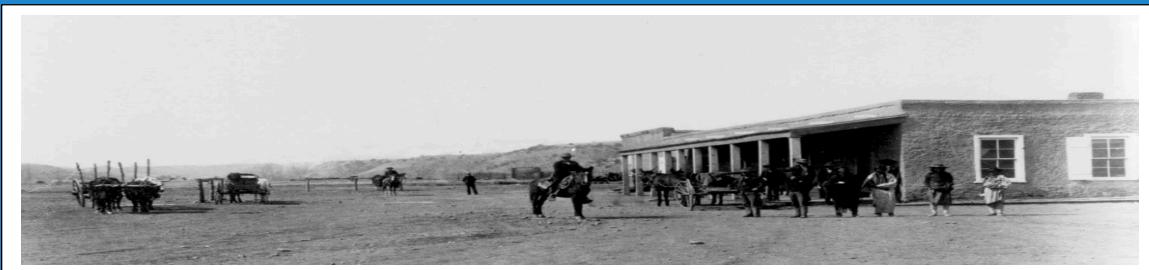
Full and half-bodied apparitions walk the halls, tall shadow figures are seen lurking in many of the buildings, and disembodied screams, whispers, and "crashing sounds" are heard. A "deformed dog creature" has been seen walking the grounds, batteries die without warning, and people feel like they're being followed and watched.

**HISTORICAL
SNAPSHOT**



The buildings at Fort Stanton have served many purposes: A Military Base; a Tuberculosis Hospital (1,500 former patients are buried in the cemetery on site); a Prisoner of War Camp; a Rehabilitation Facility; a Women's Prison, and more. Now it is a New Mexico Historic Site, with two staff members living in the Laundress' Quarters.

A FORTRESS OF DEATH



UNEXPECTED HAUNTINGS

APPARITIONS & FIGURES

- Full & half-bodied apparitions are seen in the TB Hospital.
- Shadow figures are seen in most of the Fort Stanton buildings.
- A lady wearing a gray dress has been spotted peeking out of windows and walking across the main grounds.
- A shadowed man lurks in the Laundress' Quarters and stands in doorways.
- An apparition of a little girl is reported in the Nurses' Quarters.

DOG CREATURES

- “Deformed dog creatures” have been seen crawling throughout the grounds.
- “Deformed dog creatures” have been seen inside the Chapel, accompanied by sounds of something moving.

VOICES & SCREAMING SOUNDS

- Disembodied screams are reported in the TB Hospital and Officers' Quarters.
- Whispering voices are heard in the Chapel and in the TB Hospital.
- The sounds of “pounding on walls” are heard throughout Fort Stanton.
- “Crashing sounds” are heard coming from empty rooms in several of the buildings.
- Sounds of footsteps are heard in several of the buildings.

OTHER HAUNTINGS

- People have reported being touched by unseen hands.
- Doors open, close, and unlock on their own in the Laundress' Quarters.

HISTORY

FORT STANTON IS BUILT

- 1855: Fort Stanton was built with local stone by soldiers of Infantry Regiments to serve as a base of operations against the Mescalero Apache Indians to protect homesteaders.

THE CIVIL WAR YEARS

- 1861: The Fort was seized by Confederate forces. During the occupation, 3 rebels were killed. Confederates abandoned the Fort, setting fire to it as they left, but a monsoon doused the fire and saved the buildings.

POST CIVIL WAR YEARS

- 1865 - 1896: After the Civil War ended, Buffalo Soldiers arrived at Fort Stanton. They continued to protect local homesteaders. In 1896, The Mescalero Apache settled on a nearby reservation, and the fort was abandoned by the Army and closed.

THE TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL OPENS

- 1899 - 1953: The Fort was acquired as a TB hospital for the Merchant Marines. It served 5,000 patients, 1,500 of whom are buried on the property.

WWII

- 1941 - 1947: During WWII, a section of Fort Stanton served as a prisoner of war camp for German merchant sailors from the SS Columbus, a German luxury liner.

THE TUBERCULOSIS RE-OPENS

- 1953: the fort was used again as a tuberculosis hospital for the state of New Mexico.

THE LATER YEARS

- 1960 - 1995: The fort served as the State Hospital.
- For a brief time, the fort was used as women's prison & drug rehab facility.
- 2007: Fort Stanton was deemed a New Mexico Historic Site.