

13 Tips for Getting Started with PimaMaps

1. PimaMaps works on all popular computers and web browsers, including Macs. There's even a version for smart phones! (The desktop Chrome browser is an exception at this time.)
2. To find PimaMaps, go to **gis.pima.gov**, pick "GIS Maps" then "PimaMaps". Start with the "Main Map".
3. Click the "X" just above the Welcome panel on the left to see the list of available map layers.
4. Use the mouse wheel to zoom in and out. To pan, click and drag the map.
5. To search for parcels, addresses, owner names, and several other common map features, simply type part or all of what you are looking for in blue bar search box at the top of the map. Then pick the map feature you want from the search results at the bottom of the map. Zoom to any listed feature by single-clicking on its search result. Several types of features may be returned: Street Intersections, Parcels, etc. Look for these in search result tabs.
6. If you zoom in really close, the aerial orthophoto comes on automatically.
7. Hover the mouse over map features to see a "map tip" identifying the feature. The map feature "highlights" on the map so you can see it clearly.
8. Many map tips display "More Information" links. Click those links to see more about those particular map features.
9. Look at the entire map tip as it *may* indicate multiple map features were found at or near that location. (Displaying more map layers or being in a dense area makes multiples more likely.)
 - Multiple features of the same type (such as parcels) display "1 of 3" etc. in the upper right corner of the map tip.
 - Multiple features of different types (such as parcels and zoning) are displayed as map tip bars you can click and expand.
10. Most legend layers are in groups. To see layers in a group, click the group's "+" sign. Better yet, show just the layers you're interested in by typing any part of the layer name in the "Filter" box below the layer list. Check the box next to a layer name to enable the layer display in the map. If the layer name is grayed out, you can't see it on the map at the current map zoom level. You can still enable the layer in the legend but will need to zoom in closer to see the layer.
11. Most users will want to use the extensive PimaMaps toolbar. Those in the know display the toolbar by double-clicking anywhere in the blue bar at the top of the map. Or, click the small tools icon in the top right corner of the map. Click the four toolbar tabs to see the tools available on each tab.
12. PimaMaps include a "base map" for reference behind the active map layers. The map starts with a base map showing streets and place names to help you find your way around. Explore other base map options by using the "Base Maps" drop-down list in the top right map corner.
13. To learn more about PimaMaps, see the "Help", "FAQ" and "Help Videos" tools on the right end of the toolbar under the default "Getting Around" toolbar tab.