Phoenix/Scottsdale Recommended Golf Courses

ISS = difficult • = moderate J = beginner appropriate

Within 10 minutes from Sanctuary

Camelback Golf Club
Features two championship courses. The Padre Course is a traditional parkland course with tree-lined fairways and presents a unique challenge. Genuine shot making skills are required to successfully master this fun and challenging layout. The Ambiente Course is a links style course which offers a distinct challenge where accuracy and a good strategy command the day. Golfers will find eye-catching elevation changes, rolling fairways with significant drops throughout the course and beautiful natural landscape.
7847 N. Mockingbird Lane - (480)596-7050 •

Phoenician Golf Course
Located on the side of Camelback Mountain, the Phoenician offers wonderful views of the city and three distinctly different nines. Elements of desert, tropical and even mountain golf are present on this beautiful property.
6000 E. Camelback Road - (480)423-2450 •

McCormick Ranch Golf Course
Featuring two 18-hole courses, both park like in design. The Palm Course features ten water holes and, as its name suggests, showcases many large palm trees. The Pine Course has many mature pine trees and is a bit more narrow.
7505 E. McCormick Ranch Parkway - (480)948-0260 J

Within 30 minutes from Sanctuary

Talking Stick Golf Club
The North Course is the closest thing to Scottish golf you’ll find in the desert. This wind-blown, links course has won several awards for design excellence. The rugged beauty of the desert fits surprisingly well with traditional links design features. The South Course has a more traditional American look than its links-style companion. Tree-lined fairways, elevated greens, and meandering streams lend a Midwestern feel to this desert layout. 9998 E. Indian Bend Road - (480)860-2221 •

McDowell Mountain Golf Club
An entertaining challenge that demands intelligent management at every hole. Built on the slope of McDowell Mountain the course has over 65 bunkers and incorporates one large water feature with multi-tiered waterfalls. Enjoyable golf experience for golfers of all levels.
10609 E. Sheena Drive – (480)502-8200 •

Grayhawk Golf Club
The Talon Course is one of the most exciting and dramatic golf courses ever built in the Southwest. Talon offers elevated greens that are large and undulating, with numerous water hazards coming into play as well as one hole with an island green. The Raptor Course offers a thrilling golf challenge that commands a player’s respect through a daring, high-stakes game of risk and reward. It also includes extensive mounding and massive bunkering.
8620 E. Thompson Peak Parkway - (480)502-1800 •
TPC of Scottsdale
The resort-style layout of the Stadium Course has gained immeasurable attention as the stage for the FBR Open. There are plenty of holes that the ball needs to carry over the desert from the tee box, but little desert on the course itself. That means that even though it's classified as a desert course, it's not target golf and is pretty player-friendly in fact. It's more parkland or links-style as opposed to true desert target golf.
17020 N. Hayden Road - (480)585-4334

30 or more minutes from Sanctuary

Troon North Golf Club
The hallmark of the desert golf experience. The course stretches through the natural ravines and foothills in the high Sonoran desert and Pinnacle Peak. The Pinnacle Course plays a few shots harder and offers even more elevation changes and spectacular views than Monument and is wilder and more extreme. The Monument Course is the more classic design with giant granite boulders lie strewn across the rugged landscape of the High Sonoran Desert.
10320 E. Dynamite Boulevard - (480)585-5300

We-Ko-Pa
Some of the most dramatic and jaw-dropping views of the surrounding mountain ranges including the Four Peaks, McDowell Mountains, Red Mountains and the Superstitions. The Cholla Course features an ideal blend of doglegs and straightaway holes, a mix of slender and ample fairways and a good balance between benign and rugged green complexes. The Saguaro Course, a parkland (classic Eastern or Midwestern) style course with several short par 4's and two short par 3's which contribute to the relatively short overall length.
18200 E. Toh Vee Circle - (480)836-9000

Raven at South Mountain
The layout features plush, rolling fairways framed by thousands of mature trees, as well as vistas of rugged desert mountains and the Phoenix skyline. Raven became famous in Phoenix for trucking in over a million pounds of pine needles to place under freshly placed pine trees, which line each fairway. Raven is located near Sky Harbor Airport, and a great place for a round pre or post flight.
3636 E. Baseline Road – (602) 243-3636

Las Sendas Golf Club
This is a strategic course with one of the higher slope ratings in Arizona blind tee shots, hazards exactly where you don't want them to be, and well-guarded greens. You must favor the correct sides of the fairways to obtain the best angles to the greens. Some holes require a little governor, or lay-up, so as not to leave you with an impossible view to the greens. Generally, the greens are subtle.
7555 E. Eagle Crest Drive – (480)396-4000

Rancho Manaña Golf Club
This course features dramatic elevation changes and unspoiled desert terrain. Elevated holes present panoramic views. Accuracy is a must off the tee as well as on approach shots. Tight fairways, thick desert terrain, elevated greens and water on a group of holes provide enough incentive to play smart off the tee. Many of the putting surfaces are surrounded by steep, rolling banks that can dump shots hit just off-center, rolling through the grass, rocks and desert.
5734 E. Rancho Manaña Boulevard - (480)488-0398

Sanctuary guests may also, based on availability, access Desert Highlands Country Club, one of America's premier private clubs. Please see your concierge for more details or to check availability.