



Welcome to Scottsdale, Arizona

A world-class community

Located in the beautiful Sonoran Desert, Scottsdale is nestled at the foot of the McDowell Mountains in the Valley of the Sun. Scottsdale is a premier community known for a high quality of life with attractive residential, working and shopping areas. It is an internationally recognized visitor destination and a thriving location for businesses of all kinds.

Scottsdale consistently ranks among the nation's best places to live, with top-rated schools, award-winning parks, low crime and a vibrant economy. Old Town Scottsdale is home to many restaurants, retail shops, art galleries and resort hotels. Scottsdale's McDowell Sonoran Preserve is a permanently protected Sonoran Desert habitat encompassing nearly 48 square miles. There are recreational opportunities for everyone with many golf courses, tennis courts, parks, pools, bike paths and trails.

Scottsdale was founded by Army Chaplain Winfield Scott in 1888 but was not incorporated until 1951 when Scottsdale was a small community of 2,000 residents situated on about two square miles of land. Today, Scottsdale has more than 250,000 residents enjoying the rich diversity of experiences offered within the city's 185 square miles.



Scottsdale Civic Center



Intergenerational tutoring at Yavapai Elementary



Thomas Road Bike Stop



Yoga in the Preserve



Canal Convergence



One Civic Center



Scottsdale Airport

All Work and All Play

Business

Scottsdale is one of the state's leading job centers with a robust economy anchored by bio-life science companies, high-tech innovation, financial services, tourism and corporate headquarters. More than 22,000 companies do business in Scottsdale, supplying roughly 200,000 jobs. SkySong, the ASU Scottsdale Innovation Center, is designed to help companies grow through a unique partnership with Arizona State University. Scottsdale's downtown, Old Town Scottsdale, is an emerging center for high-tech businesses. Farther north, the Scottsdale Airpark is the city's largest employment area and the Scottsdale Cure Corridor is a partnership of premier health care providers and biomedical companies.

Tourism

With great weather, fantastic scenery and a calendar full of special events, Scottsdale is a popular tourist destination in Arizona. Scottsdale welcomes millions of visitors annually. The city boasts many hotels and resorts, restaurants and spas. That activity adds up to big business. The annual economic impact of Scottsdale visitors is estimated at several billion dollars. Visitors generate more than 57 million dollars of annual tax revenue – representing about one in every five city tax dollars.

Special Events

Every January through March, Scottsdale captures the national spotlight with an eclectic mix of sport and cultural events that draw hundreds of thousands of spectators and millions of television viewers. Scottsdale resorts annually host Fiesta Bowl teams and Old Town becomes a focal point for pep rallies and fan parties. The Barrett-Jackson Collector Car Auction headlines a week of automotive attractions and becomes the star of more than 40 hours of live television coverage. The Waste Management Phoenix Open unfolds at TPC Scottsdale, featuring more national TV coverage and the largest, loudest galleries in golf. The Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show – among the largest horse shows in the nation – and Scottsdale's festive Parada del Sol Parade and Rodeo follow later. In March, Major League Baseball takes center stage. Old Town Scottsdale serves as the spring home of the San Francisco Giants and makes the city a headquarters for visiting fans and media from across the nation.



Parada del Sol



Barrett-Jackson Auction

Scottsdale Top Attractions



1. Pinnacle Peak Park



2. Preserve Gateway and Scottsdale's McDowell Sonoran Preserve



3. TPC Scottsdale



4. WestWorld



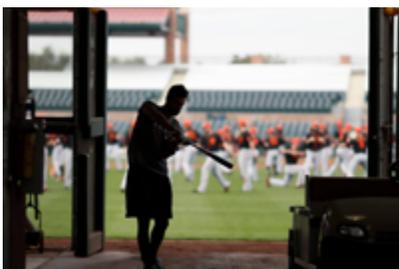
6. McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park



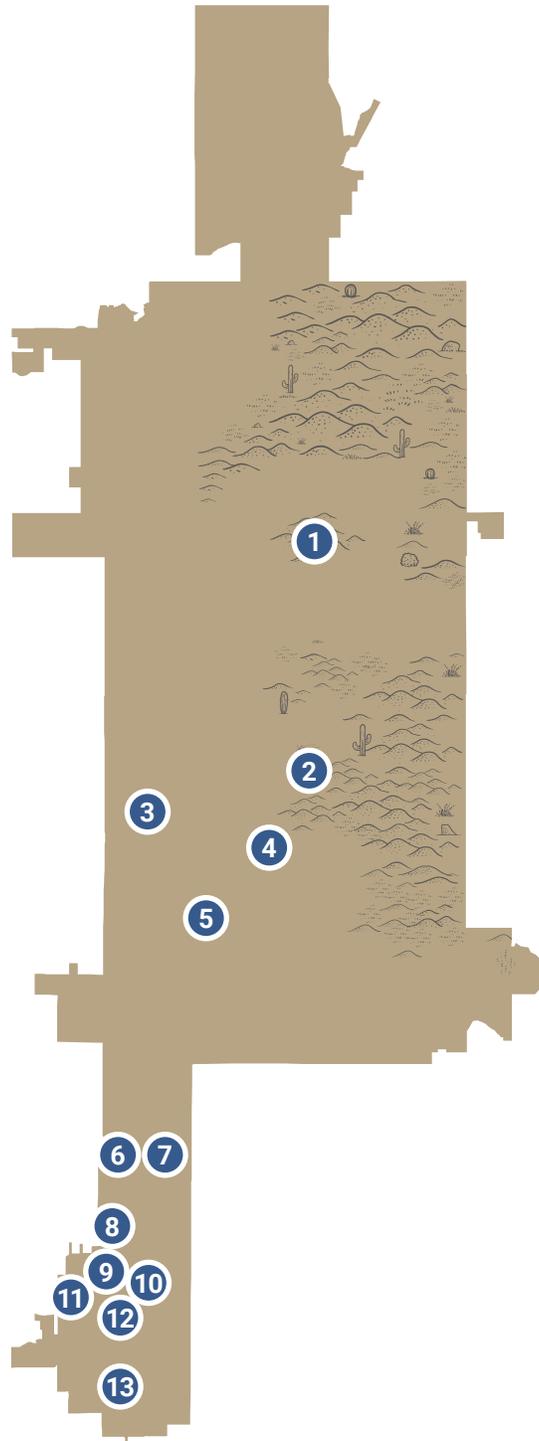
8. Scottsdale Fashion Square



10. Scottsdale Historical Museum



12. Scottsdale Stadium



5. Scottsdale Airport/Airpark



7. Indian Bend Wash Greenbelt



9. Old Town Scottsdale



11. Scottsdale's Museum of the West



13. SkySong



Scottsdale Stadium Gets a Giant Update

Nestled in the heart of Old Town Scottsdale, Scottsdale Stadium is home to the Cactus League Spring Training, Arizona Fall League, and a series of year-round meetings and events. This newly renovated 16-acre premier event venue – with a diverse mix of indoor and outdoor function space including the 42,000 square foot clubhouse and event center – sits in the same location as it did when originally built in 1956. These renovations are part of an agreement that guarantees Scottsdale Stadium will host San Francisco Giants Spring Training games through at least 2044. The Stadium was first rebuilt in 1992 and has undergone renovations in 2005 and most recently in 2019. Over the years, the city of Scottsdale has cultivated key partnerships with sports teams, nonprofit organizations, tourism boards and local businesses to help this space thrive.

The Spring Training home for the San Francisco Giants, Scottsdale Stadium is unique as the only Cactus League venue located in a downtown setting. Within walking distance of Old Town Scottsdale shops, hotels, restaurants and more, this renovated space is more than a stadium; it's a gathering place for fans, families, locals and visitors to celebrate, relax and cheer.

 [Learn more at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "stadium"](#)



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