

Whether a homeowner is just starting to imagine their dream house or searching for that fab finishing touch, the Valley turns to these top dogs in home & design...



Best Luxury Rentals

Desert Parks Vista at DC Ranch

The Desert Parks Vista Apartment Homes offer renters one-, two- and three-bedroom floor plans; casitas with private balconies and/or patios; fully equipped kitchens with granite countertops; a resort-inspired pool and spa; and a 24-hour fitness center. Bridges and creeks throughout the community make renters feel at peace. The complex is located in North Scottsdale's DC Ranch Preserve. www.desertparksvista.com.

Best Condo Development

The Landmark

If you've ever wanted to live in a resort, perhaps you should consider making your home at The Landmark Luxury Condominiums in North Scottsdale. The condos are located on the Westin Kierland Golf Course and within walking distance to the Scottsdale Quarter and Kierland Commons. Resort-style amenities include a full-time concierge; a private hosted gate; a 5,800-sq.-ft. clubhouse; two fitness pavilions with steam and massage rooms; a climate-controlled wine cellar; and a heated pool and spa, to name a few perks. www.landmarklifestyle.com.



Best Custom Homebuilder

Argue Custom Homes

Valley voters love Argue Custom Homes, owned by Tom Argue, for the company's two decades of experience turning dream homes into a reality. Argue Custom Homes guarantees the highest caliber of service, craftsmanship and professionalism in each one of its projects. The luxury homebuilder, which is currently working on nine new projects, is known for its work in Paradise Valley and the communities of Silverleaf, Verrado, Troon North and Fulton Ranch— as well as for constructing the largest home in Arizona. www.arguecustomhomes.com.

Best Architect

PHX Architecture

The talented professionals at PHX Architecture collaborate on site planning, construction administration and graphic renderings with a focus on custom residential, specialty commercial and hospitality design. The architects pride themselves on adapting, conforming and responding to each project's requirements with attention to detail and quality design. www.phxarch.com.

Best Landscaping

Berghoff Design Group

New homeowners love the Berghoff Design Group, based in Scottsdale, because the company tells a story with its designs and is committed to high-quality landscaping and construction. The firm designs and builds for residential estates, commercial properties and restoration projects. Before they even begin designing, the pros believe in understanding the site, the surroundings and their client's landscape needs. www.berghoffdesign.com.

Best Custom Cabinets

Goodall Wood Creations

Goodall Wood Creations offer clients countless color options, door styles, interior options and decorative elements. The company prides itself on building relationships with clients and making not just functional cabinets but wooden masterpieces. www.gwcreations.net.



Best Homebuilding Company

Rosewood Homes-2011 Winner

Rosewood Homes founder David Kitnick has been building impressive, custom-quality homes in the Valley since 1986. The company prides itself on constructing homes with the environment in mind while providing excellent customer service. www.rosewoodhomes.com.

Best Design Firm: Designer

Danielle Jacques Designs LLC

Scottsdale-based interior designer Danielle Jacques focuses on specifications for new home construction and remodeling and specializes in a variety of first and secondary home types—everything from cabins to beach houses (she works locally and out-of-state). The Arizona State University graduate loves creating a beautiful space for her clients and prides herself on being very versatile. www.daniellejacquesdesigns.com.

Best Design Firm: Store and Best Furniture/Home Store: National

Ethan Allen

Ethan Allen is a full-service design center that employs a staff of knowledgeable professionals and offers an array of services that make furnishing Valley homes a snap, including complimentary professional design service and complimentary local delivery. At its four statewide locations, Ethan Allen hosts a selection of sofas, beds, home accents and any other furnishing must-have. www.ethanallen.com.

Best Flooring Company

Craftsman Court Ceramics

The Craftsman Court Ceramics' showroom occupies 8,000 square feet of Old Town Scottsdale with its selection of natural stone, glass, cement, terra cotta, mosaics, ceramics and terrazzo. The flooring company has been in business for more than 15 years and prides itself on knowledge, service and thoughtful design. www.craftsmancourt.com.



Best Master-Planned Community/Development

Vistancia-2011 Winner

Regardless of age or lifestyle, Peoria's Vistancia has a spot to call home for everyone. The Vistancia Village is a community for all ages offering an energetic lifestyle and outdoor opportunities, while the Trilogy at Vistancia is an age-restricted active-adult neighborhood with plenty of leisurely pursuits and lush amenities. The Blackstone Country Club offers a private golf course and plush custom homes and is connected to the other villages via the Discovery Trail. www.vistancia.com.

Best Furniture/Home Store: Local

Parnian-2011 Winner

Family-owned Parnian has been manufacturing, designing and selling modern and contemporary furnishings and accessories in the Valley since 1977. The company has a reputation for quality design, which is on display at its Scottsdale and Phoenix showrooms. www.parnian.com.

Best Home Accessory Store

Domestic Bliss

Since 1999, Valley voters have visited Downtown Mesa's Domestic Bliss for one-of-a-kind gifts (think vintage aprons and handmade jewelry) and home accessories (including lovely linens and wall art). Many of the shop's décor items and furnishings were found at antique markets, furniture shows and gift shows. www.domesticblissdesign.com.

Best Pool Company

Mossman Brothers Pools, Inc.

The Mossman brothers have more than 50 years of combined experience building pools, but they have specialized in designing custom pools for more than 25 years. The company sees pools as an extension to the home and works hard to make their clients' aquatic dream a reality. www.mossmanbrotherspools.com.