

## Valley Restaurants to Try in October

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**Whether you're looking to dine nearby or venture to a restaurant a little out of the way, here are four top restaurants in various parts of the Valley.**



### [Coup Des Tartes](#)

Touted as one of Phoenix's most romantic dining experiences, this European-inspired eatery is Phoenix's longest-running B.Y.O.B. bistro. To take advantage of the amorous atmosphere, guests can enjoy the menu's all-natural, all-organic French fare while dining alfresco beneath a blanket of stars. What's more, the menu changes seasonally to reflect the finest and freshest ingredients.

*Don't Miss Dish:* Treat yourself to the Chilean sea bass encrusted with Arizona-grown toasted pistachios, served atop Dungeness crab salad with sea beans and a light coconut sauce.

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### [Meritage Steakhouse](#)

Meritage Steakhouse, at North Phoenix's JW Marriott Desert Ridge Resort & Spa, is a true paradise for those who love food as much as the fairways (the steakhouse offers views of the Wildfire Golf Club's greens). What's even more appetizing than its sleek country club setting is its tempting three-course sunset menu served daily from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

*Don't Miss Dish:* Try the house-smoked prime rib with au jus, horseradish cream, Yukon Gold mashed potatoes and sautéed asparagus.

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### [Taggia](#)

Old Town Scottsdale's Taggia, at FireSky Resort and Spa, not only boasts one of the top outdoor dining experiences in the Valley (diners get front row seats to FireSky's fire pits and lovely pools), it offers up incredible coastal Italian cuisine by chef James Siao.

*For Starters:* Taggia's burrata cheese plate, served with grilled bread and caponata, is an A-plus appetizer.

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### [Carefree Station](#)

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Each entrée's oh-so savory (and sometimes spicy) taste ushers in a one-two punch that's traditional of Southwestern cuisine. And like this Carefree neighborhood bar and grill's eclectic menu, its expansive wine, beer and spirits list makes this the town's "it" place for happy hour.

*Divine Dessert:* End your meal with the seasonal fruit cobbler covered with toasted oats, served warm and topped with vanilla ice cream.

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