

Best Places to Retire in Arizona

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Your days of hard work are over. It is now time to spend your days relaxing, enjoying afternoons on the golf course, wading in the pool and having fun with friends. But where should you call home? Here is a peek at a few of the state's top luxury retirement communities.



Robson Resort Communities

Robson Resort Communities offers six resort-style communities throughout Arizona, offering an active lifestyle and high-end amenities for those 55 and over. PebbleCreek, located in Goodyear, provides a country club setting to its residents, as well as a Creative Arts Center that hosts a variety of entertaining classes. In Casa Grande, Robson Ranch has homes that are sized up to 3,200 square feet and an active lifestyle that includes golf and tennis courts. In Tucson, Saddlebrooke and The Preserve offers residents access to country clubs and amenities include fitness centers, performance art theaters and amazing views of the Santa Catalina Mountains. Just south of Tucson, Quail Creek is perfect for social butterflies due to its selection of fun facilities that includes a restaurant and lounge, billiards, auditorium and more. Robson Communities' newest addition is SaddleBrooke Ranch in Oracle. SaddleBrooke Ranch has three distinctive home series featuring nine model homes. Plus, SaddleBrooke Ranch residents have access to the La Hacienda Club.

www.robson.com



Splendido

This close to high-end shopping and restaurants—and with plenty of desirable resort-like on-site amenities—Tucson's Splendido has the best that the retired life can offer. Splendido residents get to call a variety of lovely terrace and villa abodes home, each boasting lovely design and great attention to detail. When not enjoying their comfy residence, Splendido dwellers can indulge in cuisine at one of the community's selection of restaurants (including made-to-order eats at Café del Sol and elegant dining at Marbella).

www.matherlifeways.com



Vi

Vi offers two luxury communities in Scottsdale: Vi at Grayhawk and Vi at Silverstone. The Southwest-inspired Vi at Grayhawk spotlights award-winning architecture in its free-standing and apartment homes. In addition to access to the Grayhawk Country Club, Vi residents are close to an 18-hole professional putting green, a fitness center, heated indoor and outdoor pools, a variety of dining venues, library and a full-service spa. The newest of the Vi communities is Vi at Silverstone, where luxury villas and apartments are both available. Via at Silverstone

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exudes a formal elegance and endless amenities that range from an on-site putting green to a wellness center.

www.viliving.com



Senior Resource Group (SRG)

With seven luxury retirement communities in Arizona, Senior Resource Group (SRG) boasts homes with plenty of character and amenities that would rival those of high-end resorts. (Arizona's SRG high-end lineup: Amber Lights and Villa Hermosa in Tucson; Hawthorn Court at Ahwatukee and La Siena in Phoenix; Maravilla Scottsdale; Silver Springs in Green Valley; and The Village at Ocotillo in Chandler.) A typical day at an SRG community? Perhaps morning yoga, followed by a trip to the nearby hair salon. After lunch, an afternoon ballroom class. At night, a movie at the on-site cinema. Plus, SRG's award-winning InTouch Program allows the staff to tend to those with Alzheimer's and other memory-related conditions.

www.srgseniorliving.com



Trilogy at Vistancia

Offering the gorgeous housing that Vistancia is known for, Trilogy at Vistancia in Peoria is a top retirement destination in the Phoenix Metro area. Highlights of the Trilogy at Vistancia community include the Kiva Club where residents are invited to enjoy their days at the state-of-the-art athletic club, swimming in the indoor lap pool and outdoor resort-style pool, getting pampered in the Alvea Spa or taking a class or two at the Center for Higher Learning. Oh, and let's not forget the par-72 championship golf course.

www.vistancia.com/lifestyle_trilogy



Sierra Pointe

Scottsdale's Sierra Pointe offers its residents a life of luxury and enrichment thanks to its active game schedule (think bingo and blackjack) and jam-packed events calendar (yoga, happy hour, Wii bowling league, brunch and much more are on the February calendar). When it comes to housing, Sierra Pointe has a sumptuous selection of studio, one- and two-bedroom abodes that go up to 1,455 square feet. Sierra Pointe offers independent and assisted living.

www.sierrapointe.com



Sagewood

Life at Sagewood, a 278-residence Phoenix retirement community, features enjoying a leisurely hike and nights at the symphony, and an afternoon of Wii bowling and a morning of yoga. Most importantly, though, living at Sagewood means living with a focus on fitness, nutrition, active life and overall well-being. Independent living options includes detached casitas, villas, lofts and apartment homes.

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www.sagewoodLCS.com