

## Best Summer Courses in Arizona

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It's almost that time again. When the rising mercury dictates how early in the morning you'll walk the dog or how quickly you'll run from the car across steaming asphalt into an air conditioned building. However, for golfers (as crazy as we may be) the higher temps equal lower green fees as loads of sunscreen and bottled water become our best friends. It's widely known that golf is typically cheaper here in the Valley from June through August. Aside from the frugality of it, the affordable rates make it possible to play courses that are generally over-the-top pricey in the high season for 50 to 75 percent off in the summer. The following are some tremendous value-packed offerings at the courses everyone wants to play during a stay in Arizona.



While rates at TPC Scottsdale can go for upwards of \$215 in the high season, as the temperatures get gradually hotter, the green fees at the Tournament Players Club get gradually lower. From May 4th through May 21st, what the TPC calls their low shoulder season, 18 holes will run you \$157 with a further twilight discount of \$102 if your round is played during twilight hours. Prices are even further lessened come June 15th, when 18 holes go for \$73 and twilight rates are a steal at around \$48 to play the home course of the FBR Open.



Golf facilities operated by Troon Golf are also known to provide exceptional rates during the warmest time of the year. Several of these immaculately managed courses are scattered around the Valley, so there is sure to be one near any and every recreational golfer looking to tee up. Talking Stick Golf Club, a Troon-managed facility located at the 101 and Indian Bend in Scottsdale offers 18 holes on either of the club's Coore/Crenshaw-designed North and South Courses for \$60 from June 1 through September 10. Twilight rates kick in after 11 a.m. leading to \$35 rounds during the week and \$45 twilight golf Friday through Sunday. A little further north, the nationally ranked and critically acclaimed Troon North Golf Club offers \$75 rounds from June 1 through mid-September. A true savings when you consider standard rates at the club command \$220 in the high season.



Located near the bustling Kierland Commons shopping, dining and entertainment complex, Kierland Golf Club is a stellar 27-hole offering smack dab in the center of it all. One of the greatest appeals of Kierland is that fact that its three nines can be configured in different orders to structure a variety of golf experiences. The club's \$80 green fees from May 18 through September 13 are a far cry from the \$215 weekend rates at the club from January to April.

These examples provide a miniscule look into the world of discounted summer golf in Arizona. Practically every golf establishment offers summer discounts and if they don't, don't be afraid to request special rates. Courses take a huge hit in the summer months when their rounds per month drop significantly. The clubs around town appreciate almost any business they can get, making it more likely you'll be able to set your own price within reason.

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**Kierland Golf Club**, [www.kierlandgolf.com](http://www.kierlandgolf.com).

**Talking Stick Golf Club**, [www.talkingstickgolfclub.com](http://www.talkingstickgolfclub.com).

**TPC Scottsdale**, [www.tpc.com/scottsdale](http://www.tpc.com/scottsdale).

**Troon North Golf Club**, [www.troonnorthgolf.com](http://www.troonnorthgolf.com).