

Need a Vacay? Check out These Scottsdale Staycations

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Shopping, adventures, and spas, oh my! Summer has arrived and it's the perfect time for a much needed getaway from everyday life. The city of Scottsdale is full of different places and activities to keep you satisfied without having to go too far from home.



Vacations are always great, but we all know the only thing better is a convenient staycation. There's no need to worry about purchasing plane tickets, that I-know-I-forgot-something-but-just-can't-remember-what feeling, and being that clueless tourist in a new place. All you need to do is hop in the car and make your way to the perfect summer in Scottsdale.

Nicknamed the "desert version of Miami's South Beach" by *The New York Times*, Scottsdale has many amazing resorts that'll give any tourist destination a run for its money. This summer, some of the city's best resorts and spas have sizzlin' deals for a limited time.

For fun with the whole family, the Westin Kierland Resort and Spa wastes no time kicking off the excitement with a kid-friendly check-in area at Kierland Mining Co. for a piece of Arizona history. But the fun doesn't stop there: relay races, hula hoop contests, and Kierland Kampfires keep it going. Plus, families will receive a daily \$100 resort credit and connecting rooms or a suite for \$249 per night.

Another great summer stop for families is the Four Seasons Resort Scottsdale at Troon North where kids can get down at the Pajama Jam with pizza and a movie while Mom and Dad spend the evening wining and dining in one of the resort's restaurants. Summer rates at the Four Seasons start at \$129 per night.

Maybe a grown-up staycation is more your style. For rates starting at \$189, relax poolside at the W Scottsdale's sexy WET pool with mojitos and goodies provided by the hotel.

Scottsdale is also full of adventures for those of us who'd like to explore the city outside of (luxurious) resort walls. In this Sonoran Desert, there's so much to explore. Take a guided tour and experience the breathtaking natural treasures this desert oasis has to offer. Whether you take an expedition by boat, foot, or hot air balloon, you can't go wrong.

Go back into Arizona history with Across Arizona Tour's one-day Apache Trail and Dolly Steamboat tour for discounted rates from \$43.50 to \$87.00.

Soar across the desert in a hot air balloon and take your staycation to all new heights. For a special price of \$135 per person with Rainbow Ryders, Inc., take a sunrise ride and end the adventure with a champagne toast upon landing.

There's so much more to see and do this summer, and it's all right here in the Valley's backyard. Visit Scottsdale and put the "cool" back in summer with fabulous seasonal savings. Check out www.summerinScottsdale.com for more great deals and special packages, and make the most out of your staycation.