ADVENTURE TOURS

HORSEBACK RIDING
Experience the natural beauty of Arizona’s famous Sonoran Desert with a traditional cowboy trail ride. While on horseback, experienced wranglers point out the unique vegetation and wildlife. Get ready to saddle up for a great desert trail ride!

CITY SLICKERS CATTLE DRIVE
Experience an adventure as real cowboys teach you their skills, just like they did back in the 1800s. Travel on horseback while searching canyons and winding riverbeds for the evasive, long-horned stray cattle. Once gathered you’ll move them along to where they’ll unite with the main herd. The memories are guaranteed to last a lifetime!

DESERT HIKING
Uniquely situated in a beautiful desert valley, the Scottsdale area offers more opportunities in hiking than any other urban location. Under the guidance of an experienced Naturalist, you will have the opportunity to see and learn about the plants, animals, geology and natural history of this unique ecological niche.

MOUNTAIN RAPPELLING
This is the perfect adventure for groups looking for something a little more adventurous. After a short hike, you’ll arrive at the starting point where pre-selected routes are set with ropes by our professional instructors/guides, which allows you to meander between descends at your leisure. The day is spent enjoying the amazing views as you rappel from these desert cliffs and enjoy some free adrenaline.

MOUNTAIN BIKING & NEIGHBORHOOD BICYCLE TOUR
Venture out with experienced guides while cruising a quiet desert mountain trail on our top of the line mountain bikes. Whatever your ability, our educated guides not only teach you about the desert, but assist you in feeling at ease on this adventure.

Our Neighborhood Bicycle Tour is an easy, relaxing way for you to get a little exercise, enjoy the fresh air, and return to the resort property with a greater appreciation for the Valley of the Sun.
4-WHEELING DESERT TOUR

Our 4-Wheelin’ Desert Tour is a relaxing way to get away from civilization and to see how the "Real West" looks, sounds and smells. It is by far one of the best ways to experience the true Sonoran Desert. Our experienced guide leads you on an off-road tour of the rugged terrain of the Sonoran Desert, highlighting the various species of cacti and wildlife along the way in an open-air vehicle.

HUMMER TOUR

There’s nothing quite like experiencing the vast and rugged Sonoran Desert in America’s most advanced 4 x 4 vehicle, the H1 Hummer, in total comfort. Our expert driver/guide takes you on a thrill ride of a lifetime while providing a bit of desert education along the way.

TOMCAR TOUR

We’ve taken the traditional Jeep/Hummer tour and kicked it up a notch. During this tour you take control of your own exclusive Tomcar. Experience all of the unique flora, fauna, and wildlife the desert has to offer, including Saguaro cactus, bald eagles, herons, wild horses, and road runners. Unmatched for off-road drivability, safety, and performance, the Tomcar will give you the thrill of a lifetime!

ATV-QUAD TOURS

That’s right, you drive! Experience the thrill of navigating through seasonal creeks, sandy washes, rocky riverbeds, and rugged desert trails on a fully automatic ATV. Experienced guides immerse you in the history of the majestic Sonoran Desert and provide insight into the abundant flora and fauna which inhabit the Tonto National Forest.
Enjoy a gentle flat-water float while viewing the beautiful scenery of the desert. Abundant wildlife, a potpourri of desert colors, informative and experienced river guides all add up to a tour to be remembered. Consider incorporating a River Rally into your activity, where competition takes on the form of racing events such as Slalom Gates, The Sprint and the Tarzan Swing.

**KAYAK CRUISE**

You’ll pilot a tandem craft down the beginner friendly lower Salt River. The kayaks are stable and easy to maneuver, creating the perfect platform for splashing, relaxing and wildlife viewing. You’ll have plenty of time to appreciate the surrounding mountain peaks, giant saguaro cactus and may even spot wild horses or bald eagles during the tour!

**STAND UP PADDLEBOARDING**

Enjoy this scenic and challenging adventure on the lower Salt River. You’ll learn how to successfully launch a SUP while kneeling, navigate and get comfortable paddling and steering. When you’re ready, we’ll proceed out into the river corridor to explore the riparian habitat, take in the views of distant mountain ranges and refine the art and sport of stand up paddle boarding.

**BASS FISHING TOURNAMENT**

Come enjoy the fun and excitement of tournament bass fishing on one of the Southwest’s premier bass fisheries, Lake Pleasant. Bass fishing on a desert lake is an experience unparalleled anywhere on earth. From the exhilaration of high speed travel on the boats, to the breathtaking scenery of the Sonoran Desert’s waterways, and the adrenaline rush of fighting that perfect fish, nothing compares to a desert fishing adventure!
SPORTING CLAY SHOOTING

This activity has been described as “golf with a shotgun!” Targets are presented in many different directions and sizes to simulate different game birds. Courses have between 10 and 12 stations ranging from one-half mile to just under a one-mile path. The course layouts are great for beginner to advanced shooters. Granite pathways take you for an easy stroll through the Sonoran desert landscape for an unforgettable shooting experience.

FIREARMS SHOOTING EXPERIENCE

Learn basic shooting skills from experienced range masters at the Scottsdale Gun Club. Everything is provided for a safe and exciting shooting activity. The experience begins with an in-depth firearm safety briefing. Next, each shooter fires a full magazine from 9mm submachine gun, 5.56 machine gun and a 9mm handgun. To top off the experience each shooter fires one 20 round magazine from a 5.56 belt fed machine gun (also known as a SAW – squad automatic weapon).

ARCHERY

Satisfy your desire to shoot a bow and arrow with this fun-in-the-sun activity. Archery is more popular than ever, with movies like The Hunger Games bringing this sport to the big screen. A U.S. Champion archery instructor provides easy to follow instruction so that by end of the afternoon you and your cohorts can compete for the best shot of the day. Competition can be individual or team based.

INDOOR KART RACING

Suit up, strap in and hold on! Get ready to feel the ultimate adrenaline rush of real wheel to wheel racing action as you test your limits in a professionally prepared and maintained European-style race kart. Drop the hammer and feel the power as you race at speeds up to 40 mph on one of the two challenging quarter mile tracks. After a brief orientation, you are off to the races!
ADVENTURE TOURS continued

HOT AIR BALLOONING

Gliding gracefully over the spectacular, rugged landscape of the Sonoran Desert, experience limitless panoramas of the desert, vegetation and wildlife. With no perceivable sensation of movement and only the wind to propel the balloon, the flight is enjoyed by all.

CURLING

No one at home will believe that you spent time in Arizona “Curling” on the ice! Curling is a great way to get out of the heat and have some friendly competition. Curling is a sport in which players, using a broom, slide polished granite stones on a sheet of ice towards a target. Sweepers provide assistance by melting the ice through modest friction that can both straighten and lengthen each shot. The team with the highest score wins!

INDOOR SKYDIVING

Indoor Skydiving gives you the opportunity to experience the freedom of flight with no parachute or experience needed. Find out why birds sing without having to actually jump from an airplane. Anyone, 3 years old and up can enjoy simulated freefall at thrilling speeds of 120 mph in a vertical column of air just like a real skydiver! Each one minute flight is the equivalent of 1.5 skydives.

SEGWAY TOUR

Glide through your resort’s neighborhood, Old Town Scottsdale or even the desert grounds on one of the latest and greatest personal transporters of the century, The Segway PT. Once your guide helps you master the motion of these easy-to-use machines, you’ll see the sites and learn the history from the comfort of these cool contraptions.
MUSICAL INSTRUMENT MUSEUM

The world’s first global instrument museum, Musical Instrument Museum, welcomes you to explore and experience the rich diversity of the world’s music and musical instruments. Through state-of-the-art wireless headsets, you experience sounds of unique instruments from around the world. This world-class institution was recently named prestigiously as a Smithsonian Institute Affiliate.

TALIESIN WEST

Designed by architectural genius Frank Lloyd Wright, Taliesin West was designed to be a bold new architectural experiment. Your personalized tour of the facility takes you along the courtyards and terraces, garden paths and reflecting pool area, past a bearing citrus grove and beside the working drafting studio of the Taliesin Architectural Group, current guardians of Frank’s dream. You may even get a chance to sit in Wright’s designed furniture and experience firsthand the drama of being a guest in Wright’s famous living room.

HEARD MUSEUM

The Heard Museum is considered by most authorities to be the premiere historical center focusing on the native people of the Southwest. During the docent guided tour, you visit the exhibit galleries featuring more than 75,000 artifacts and an outstanding contemporary collection of paintings, graphics and sculptures, providing an intimate perspective on Native Americans art, cultures and way of life.

DESERT BOTANICAL GARDEN

Discover the incredible display of a remarkable collection of desert plants from around the world. Beautiful at every season of the year, the Desert Botanical Garden allows you the opportunity to explore the great diversity, form, texture and color found in this wondrous array of cacti and succulents and to learn how desert plants are uniquely adapted to survive and thrive in their environment! Birdwatchers are in for a treat; there are dozens of species of native and migratory birds, from darting, jewel-like hummingbirds to the majestic desert hawks that circle gracefully overhead.
CULTURAL TOURS continued

BEHIND THE SCENES DESERT ARTIST STUDIO TOUR
A close-up and personal look at some of our highly regarded artists that have made Arizona’s Sonoran Desert their home. Visit the intriguing studio spaces of a prominent sculptor, a landscape painter, or a texture artist. Check out the avant-garde studios of an internationally collected glass artist, stone and water sculptor, or an abstract art painter and print maker. A personal tour of their homes, informal discussions and a demonstration of their talents are all included. Hands on workshops are available at some studios, where you have the opportunity to create your own masterpiece!

ARABIAN HORSE RANCH TOUR
A quality Arabian horse can be acquired for millions of dollars, and some of the finest Arabians come from ranches right here in Scottsdale. Docents provide an exclusive look at a beautifully constructed Moroccan citadel in North Scottsdale that houses national championship horses from around the world.

WESTERN SPIRIT: SCOTTSDALE’S MUSEUM OF THE WEST
Explore the rich history, art and cultural heritage of the West at Scottsdale’s highly rated Museum of the West. From exhibits of Hopi pottery masterworks to rare posters starring silver screen cowboys and Indians, you’ll discover the unique stories of the people, places and events of the 19 states of the American West, and the bordering Canadian provinces and Mexican states.

ARCHITECT’S DREAM TOUR
This exclusive combo tour offers an inside look at two of Frank Lloyd Wright’s incredible works: Taliesin West and The Prices House.

Begin at his working school of architecture, Taliesin West, originally a desert winter camp for Wright and his followers designed to reflect the unique character of its natural environment. Following the tour of the grounds and living room, sit in the Wright’s designed furniture and experience firsthand the drama of being a guest in Wright’s famous living room.

After Taliesin West, continue your tour at another architectural wonder in Paradise Valley, The Price House. The house was designed and built by Frank Lloyd Wright from 1953-1955. He considered the Price House his masterpiece of giving form to his desert architectural credo. Known for his belief in investing in beauty, Frank Lloyd Wright designed the house to be simple in its outline in order to accentuate the natural beauty it sits among. Gorgeous deep red bricks line the pathways of this magnificent house and a vibrant teal tones liven up the inside of the house.
FARM TO TABLE

Come along on the journey to live a simple and sustainable life in the middle of the city through design, gardening, cooking, repurposing, creating and enjoying the beauty of an urban garden. Dig into topics such as current sustainable food trends and what it means to be a “locavore.”

SCOTTSDALE WALKING FOOD TOUR

Get an insider’s look at the can’t-miss eateries and restaurants that only the locals are lucky enough to know about...until now. Sample great food and sip fine wine as you walk on some of the same streets that have been stomped on by cowboys since the early 1900s. Explore winding side streets, old saloons, high end shopping districts and great restaurants all set within a beautiful Arizona desert backdrop.

WINE BOTTLING 101

Su Vino Winery offers a one of a kind experience that will make your trip to Arizona unforgettable. Su Vino means “Your Wine” and the name is embodied in their practice of specializing in wine customization including unique and interesting varietals for even the most discriminating palate. Su Vino Winery is a family owned and operated winery located in the Arts District of Downtown Scottsdale. This award winning winery has a twist; it is the first and only winery in the Scottsdale area to offer guests the opportunity to participate in the wine bottling process! Whether you choose to create a unique wine blend for your group or utilize an existing one, guests can bottle, cork, and adhere your custom label to the wine.

ARIZONA CRAFT BREWERY TOUR

Experience Downtown Scottsdale in a different light by visiting four fun-loving, beer-centric establishments. Guests will sample some of the Valley’s finest craft brews as they listen to local “brew masters” speak about their passion and the art of the trade. Lite bites are available throughout the tour to accompany the savory suds!
**HANDS-ON MOSAIC (MIXED MEDIA) WORKSHOP**

Open the front door of this contemporary, territorial home, built in the late 1950s, and enter an extraordinary world of contemporary fine art and craft as well as an amazing collection of old-world textiles and antiques. Spend your time learning the techniques of mosaic art from a multi-talented mosaic artist and make your own one-of-a-kind piece using a combination of ceramic tiles and old and found objects.

**CAVE CREEK & CAREFREE, ARIZONA**

At an elevation of 2,500 feet, the air is clean and the desert is lush. The many beautiful homes in Carefree seem to spring from the desert, and mingle comfortably with the giant saguaros and granite boulders that dominate the area. It’s no wonder that Carefree harbors such a flourishing artistic community. After a quick look at the world’s largest sundial, there will be plenty of time for shopping and browsing in the many unique shops located in this area.

**RETAIL THERAPY**

While traveling in a luxury vehicle, you will visit one amazing boutique after another with a dedicated shopping expert as your guide. We hand pick the most unique boutiques and shops tailored to your style, taste and budget. Then you’ll be treated like the star that you are with VIP in-store receptions while store owners or managers roll out the red carpet showing you the latest in clothing, jewelry, shoes, home décor, art, and gifts. Indulge your inner fashion diva with this one-of-a-kind experience.

**SOUTHWEST COOKING DEMO AT THE GARDENS**

Enjoy a Southwest Cooking demonstration featuring a Scottsdale chef at Desert Botanical Gardens. Learn how the food is prepared and then savor every bite with a lunch following. Your personal guide will then pick you up for a one hour guided tour of the Garden to discover the incredible display of a remarkable collection of desert plants.
CREATE A SUCCULENT MINI GARDEN

Cactus building is an event that is unique to the Southwest yet is an activity that appeals to anyone from any part of the country. This presentation is guided by a local desert expert who explains the significance of cacti and succulents in this unique ecosystem. When finished, your garden will provide a beautiful, living reminder of your desert experience.

DREAMCATCHER WORKSHOP

Dreamcatchers are one of the most fascinating traditions of Native Americans. The traditional dreamcatcher was intended to protect the sleeping individual from negative dreams, while allowing positive dreams to pass through. In this activity each guest will make their own dreamcatcher to take home.

LIVE NATIVE ANIMALS

MC&A brings a part of the living Southwest to you. We will provide an entertaining live animal presentation with reptiles and/or birds of the Southwest. The presentations work well as “perimeter” entertainment and guests can casually approach the stations, learn more about these fascinating native animals and ask questions as they please. The organizations that offer these exclusive exhibits are volunteer based and are dedicated to the conservation and preservation of Arizona’s native wildlife.

NATIVE JEWELRY AND ART EXPERT

Andrea worked at the world renowned Heard Museum as a jewelry and fine art buyer. She will educate your group on the history of Native American art emphasizing the spiritual component of this culturally significant art movement. During the lecture Andrea will provide helpful shopping tips including how to spot fakes, how to find a reputable dealer and help you distinguish the difference between an inexpensive piece of folk art from an authentic native piece.
PAINT YOUR OWN MASTERPIECE

This workshop is designed to provide an opportunity for individuals to bring out their inner artist in a fun and relaxing atmosphere. An artist will guide you through replicating the featured class painting through a seamlessly easy step by step process. Whether you are an aspiring Van Gogh or just looking to explore your creative side, you are sure to go home with a painting that is just as uniquely yours as it is a masterpiece.

LIVING JEWELRY DESIGN WORKSHOP

Desert landscape is a unique and beautiful part of what Arizona has to offer. In our Living Jewelry Design Workshop your guests can design their own piece of living jewelry. Guests create a beautiful cuff, ring, or necklace utilizing desert succulents, moss and long lasting desert plants. This living jewelry can be worn for days. Get creative and take a piece of the desert home with you!

BLEND YOUR OWN FRAGRANCE

Every celebrity has one, now your guests can too! This sensory session begins by sniffing an array of ten delightful fine fragrance blends, ranging from Woody Amber & Patchouli to Cacao Flower to Asian Pear & Freesia. With the guidance of the blending experts, you will select your preferred base and then add your favorite “toppings”, just like creating a personalized ice cream sundae! Once you’ve settled on the perfect signature scent, the experts will blend it on the spot so you can walk away with a fragrance that is fresh and totally you!
ON-PROPERTY ACTIVITIES continued

Recycled wine bottle workshop

Join two nationally award-winning event designers in this interactive and exciting session. In a rare appearance together, they will show the audience how “high style” doesn’t have to cost high dollars. Whether you’re involved in Black Tie charity galas or love to entertain at your home, you’ll walk away with new ideas and innovative resources that range from simple to simply outrageous. These design magicians will create displays LIVE during the show, culminating in a grand reveal of a penny-wise and budget busting tabletop presentation that will “wow” everyone.

Design on a Dime

Turquoise, lunch and loot

“Funny Money” can buy a whole lotta “Loot.” Everyone will receive their “funny money” and during the lunch, our speaker instructs the group about jewelry, specifically on turquoise. From the beginning there have been imitators as well as innovators. Included in the lecture are helpful shopping tips including: spotting fakes, finding a reputable dealer and what makes a great piece. The event is set up as a “trunk show.” After lunch, you’ll get your chance to spend your “funny money” with guidance from an expert.

Recycled wine bottle workshop

Learn how to turn an empty wine bottle into a drinking glass or candle holder with this unique eco-friendly activity! Engineer, artist, and entrepreneur, Ray DelMuro, ditched his gig at an aerospace company to travel the world and ultimately pursue his passion for art and community by starting his own company, Refresh Glass, out of his own garage. Ray began collecting empty wine bottles from local restaurants in his truck and developed techniques to transform them into functional products. Now, he and his team are on their way to rescuing their first million bottles in pursuit of their 10 Million Bottle Rescue Mission. Refresh Glass collects over 20,000 bottles a month and their transformed products have been featured in SkyMall, Wolfgang Puck, Four Seasons Resorts, and Francis Ford Coppola Winery.
DESIGN YOUR OWN HANDBAG (OR LEATHER GOOD)

Design your own beautiful, leather handbag from a versatile collection of 21 (and growing) timeless styles! Through our easy design tool, you will select a style and then customizes it with sumptuous leathers, 100% cotton linings, and hand-brushed gold or silver hardware. Handbag experts are available for consultation, advice and tips throughout the experience. After the event, you’ll receive the bag you’ve always dreamed of!

ACCESSORIZE WITH STYLE

Enjoy learning “What not to Wear” in this seminar led by a renowned stylist, makeup artist and boutique owner from Scottsdale. Learn the "5-minute face" the right way using the Earth and Sky concept and hands-on demonstrations. Update your style utilizing current trends and wardrobe ideas with broad appeal. This intimate workshop can be tailored to the specific interests of the group. All accessorizing and makeup products featured will be available for purchase following the seminar in an on-site boutique.

BOUTIQUE TO YOU

We bring great shopping to you! Browse and shop from a variety of unique boutiques from the convenience of your resort. Designers and boutiques are assembled with the tastes and demographics of the group in mind ranging from giftware, jewelry, resort and casual clothing, designer handbags, and much more. You will be encouraged to meet the owners and designers personally to learn about their inspiration and get the hottest new looks. Don’t miss out on this great “shoppertunity!”