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The West Valley Golf Guide

39 courses across Goodyear, Litchfield Park, Buckeye, Surprise, Sun City West, and Peoria — who can play, what each course is like, and what it costs.





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How to use this guide

Courses are grouped by city. Each entry lists who can play, holes and par, the designer and opening year, the style of course, a price tier, and who it suits. Confirm details with each course before making a housing decision.

The six cities at a glance

CITY	COURSES	PUBLIC, ALL AGES	IN 55+ COMMUNITIES	PRIVATE CLUBS
Goodyear	6	Estrella, Palm Valley, Junior National	PebbleCreek (3)	None
Litchfield Park	4	Wigwam (3), Falcon	None	None (Wigwam sells memberships)
Buckeye	4	Verrado (2), Sundance	Copper Canyon	None
Surprise	9	Coyote Lakes	Sun City Grand (4), Arizona Traditions, Great Eagle, Sun Village	Sterling Grove
Sun City West	10	Pebblebrook and Hillcrest sell public times	RCSCW (8), Corte Bella	Briarwood
Peoria	6	Trilogy, Quintero, Peoria Pines	Westbrook Village (2)	Blackstone

Access terms

Public — anyone can book a tee time.

Semi-private — sells memberships but also public tee times, often with resident or member priority.

Private — members and guests only; expect an initiation fee plus monthly dues.

55+ — the surrounding community is age-restricted; at least one resident must usually be 55 or older to buy. The course itself may still be open to the public.

Price tiers

Approximate peak-season (January–April) rate for 18 holes with cart. Summer rates commonly run 40–60% lower.

TIER	PEAK RATE (USD)
Budget	Under 50
Mid	50–100
Upper	100–175
Premium	Over 175
Initiation + dues	Private club; no walk-up rate

Goodyear

Six courses: the widest spread of the six cities, from a top-tier daily-fee desert course to two budget public options and a 54-hole 55+ resort community.

Golf Club of Estrella

Semi-private, Troon-managed · 18 / par 72, about 7,100 yd · Jack Nicklaus II, 1999 · Upper

Desert target golf in Estrella Mountain Ranch, with elevation changes and more than 80 deep bunkers. Consistently among the best-conditioned public courses in the West Valley.

Good for: serious golfers who want a championship course near home; memberships available.

Palm Valley Golf Club

Public · Palms 18 / par 72; Lakes 18-hole executive · Arthur Hills, 1993 · Mid

Goodyear's oldest course. The Palms is a parkland layout with wide fairways and lakes; the Lakes course is a shorter executive track for quick rounds.

Good for: beginners, leagues, and fast rounds.

Junior National Golf Club

Public · 18 / par 71, about 6,900 yd · rebuilt 2020 · Budget

Formerly Tres Rios, rebuilt along the Gila River. Home base for youth golf programs, with conditions much improved and prices to match.

Good for: families and junior golfers.

PebbleCreek: Eagle's Nest

Resident-priority, some public times · 55+ (Robson) · 18 / par 72, about 6,800 yd · Mid

Lush traditional layout with gentle terrain and water. The anchor course of a 54-hole resort community with an active club social scene.

Good for: residents wanting golf out the back door.

PebbleCreek: Tuscany Falls East

Resident-priority, some public times · 55+ · 18 / par 72 · opened 1999 · Mid

Generous fairways and the most forgiving of PebbleCreek's three courses.

Good for: higher-handicap residents.

PebbleCreek: Tuscany Falls West

Resident-priority, some public times · 55+ · 18 / par 72 · Mid

Elevation and water hazards make this the hardest of the three PebbleCreek courses.

Good for: residents who want a challenge without leaving the community.

PebbleCreek residents pay an annual golf membership on top of HOA dues. Confirm current membership pricing with the PebbleCreek HOA before buying.

Litchfield Park & Buckeye

Litchfield Park is the West Valley's traditional-golf pocket; Buckeye is its value end.

Litchfield Park · 4 courses

Wigwam Gold

Resort, public play; memberships · 18 / par 72, 7,430 yd · Robert Trent Jones Sr., 1965 · Upper–Premium

Long, tree-lined, with big greens — nicknamed “Arizona's Monster.” The area's signature round.

Good for: low handicappers and anyone who wants a classic course.

Wigwam Blue

Resort, public play; memberships · 18 / par 70, about 6,000 yd · Robert Trent Jones Sr., 1960s · Mid–Upper

Shorter and more relaxed, with small crowned greens; the easiest walk of the three.

Good for: seniors and mid-handicappers.

Wigwam Red

Resort, public play; memberships · 18 / par 72, about 6,850 yd · Red Lawrence, 1970s · Mid–Upper

Forgiving parkland with a tough three-hole finish.

Good for: casual rounds and outings.

Falcon Golf Club

Public · 18 / par 71, about 6,600 yd · Budget

Flat, open, and easy, with little trouble off the tee.

Good for: walkers, beginners, and fast weekday rounds.

Buckeye · 4 courses

Verrado Founders

Public daily-fee · 18 / par 72, about 7,250 yd · Tom Lehman and John Fought, 2004 · Upper

Parkland-desert blend at the base of the White Tank Mountains; flagship of the Verrado master-planned community.

Good for: golfers of all levels.

Verrado Victory

Public daily-fee; in Verrado's 55+ Victory district · 18 / par 72, about 7,000 yd · Lehman and Fought, 2017 · Upper

Rockier terrain, more elevation, and a dramatic 18th hole.

Good for: players wanting a second, harder course on a Verrado membership.

Sundance Golf Club

Public · 18 / par 72, 6,944 yd · Greg Nash, early 2000s · Budget

Open desert layout that gets a lot of wind. One of the cheapest regulation courses in the area.

Good for: budget-conscious golfers.

Copper Canyon Golf Club

Public play welcome; Troon-managed · 55+ (Sun City Festival) · 27 holes (Lakes, Mountain, Valley nines) · Nash and Casper, 2006 · Mid

Three distinct nines with mountain views on the far northwest edge of Buckeye.

Good for: Sun City Festival residents and value seekers.

The Wigwam is the only Arizona resort with 54 championship holes, so one club membership covers all three courses. Verrado has both an all-ages section and the 55+ Victory section.

Surprise

Nine courses: the most of the six cities and the widest range, from a Nicklaus country club to an 18-hole par-3.

Sterling Grove Golf & Country Club

Private with limited semi-private play · gated, all ages · 18 / par 72, about 7,200 yd · Nicklaus Design, 2021 · Premium

Wide fairways, large contoured greens, and full club amenities: pool, spa, tennis, pickleball, dining.

Good for: buyers wanting a new country-club lifestyle without an age restriction.

Coyote Lakes Golf Club

Public · 18 / par 71, about 6,200 yd · Arthur Hills and Forrest Richardson, 1992 · Mid

Water on many holes at a playable length. Not age-restricted.

Good for: mid-handicappers.

Arizona Traditions Golf Club

Public · 55+ community · 18 / par 70, about 6,000 yd · Budget

Short, flat, and easy walking; conditions get mixed reviews.

Good for: seniors and beginners.

Great Eagle Golf Club

Semi-private · Happy Trails Resort, 55+ · 18 / par 72, about 6,800 yd · Budget

Straightforward older layout tied to an RV resort.

Good for: snowbirds and RV-resort residents.

Sun Village Golf Course

Public · 55+ community · 18-hole par-3 · Budget

Short holes with the back nine over water.

Good for: short-game practice and quick evening rounds.

The Grand: Cimarron

Semi-private; resident rates · 55+ (Del Webb) · 18 / par 72, about 6,800 yd · Greg Nash, 2003 · Mid

Desert-parkland blend; the newest of the four Grand courses.

Good for: residents.

The Grand: Desert Springs

Semi-private; resident rates · 55+ · 18 / par 72, about 6,700 yd · Casper and Nash, 1997 · Mid

The friendliest of the four, with wide landing areas.

Good for: higher handicaps and social play.

The Grand: Granite Falls North

Semi-private; resident rates · 55+ · 18 / par 72, 6,720 yd · Casper and Nash, 1996 · Mid

Rolling fairways and large undulating greens; the toughest of the four.

Good for: better players in the community.

The Grand: Granite Falls South

Semi-private; resident rates · 55+ · 18 / par 72, 6,839 yd · Casper and Nash, 1999 · Mid

Midwestern feel and the longest of the four.

Good for: residents wanting variety on one membership.

The Grand (Sun City Grand) residents get preferred rates across all four of its courses under one structure.

Sun City West

Ten courses: eight run by the Recreation Centers of Sun City West (RCSCW) on one resident play package, plus a private country club and a semi-private gated club. The best golf value in the West Valley for a 55+ buyer.

Corte Bella Golf Club

Semi-private · gated Del Webb 55+ · 18 / par 72, about 6,900 yd · Greg Nash, 2004 · Mid–Upper

Upscale desert-parkland in a newer gated community with its own course.

Good for: residents wanting a newer gated community.

Briarwood Country Club

Private · 18 / par 72, about 6,600 yd · Greg Nash, 1979 · Initiation + dues

Elevated tees, narrow fairways, water on eight holes. About 36,000 rounds a year versus 70,000–90,000 at nearby clubs.

Good for: buyers who want uncrowded country-club golf.

Deer Valley (RCSCW)

Resident cardholders; limited public times · 18 / par 72 · Nash and Casper, 1994 · Budget (resident)

Water and rolling fairways; home of the community's largest men's and women's golf clubs.

Good for: residents.

Grandview (RCSCW)

Resident cardholders; limited public times · 18 / par 72, about 6,800 yd · Greg Nash, 1984 · Budget (resident)

The longest and hardest of the RCSCW courses.

Good for: better players.

Hillcrest (RCSCW)

Resident cardholders; public times · 18 / par 72, 6,750 yd · Nash and Hardin, 1978 · Budget–Mid

Tree-lined classic that has hosted senior tour events; the community's original course.

Good for: everyone.

Pebblebrook (RCSCW)

Resident cardholders; most public-accessible · 18 / par 72, about 6,100 yd · Greg Nash, 1980 · Budget

Traditional, flat, with water.

Good for: newcomers sampling the community before buying.

Trail Ridge (RCSCW)

Resident cardholders; limited public times · 18 / par 72, about 6,600 yd · Nash and Casper, 1990 · Budget (resident)

Wider fairways and a more modern feel.

Good for: mid-handicappers.

Desert Trails (RCSCW)

Resident cardholders · 18-hole executive, par 61, 4,027 yd · Casper and Nash, 1995 · Budget

Short holes and quick rounds.

Good for: beginners and evening play.

Echo Mesa (RCSCW)

Resident cardholders · 18-hole executive, par 60, 4,157 yd · Greg Nash, 1985 · Budget

Executive course with small greens.

Good for: short-game work.

Stardust (RCSCW)

Resident cardholders · 18-hole executive, par 60, 4,267 yd · Greg Nash, 1980s · Budget

Executive and walkable.

Good for: seniors who want a 2.5-hour round.

RCSCW play is tied to a resident rec card (property owners 55+); annual and punch-card packages price out to some of the lowest per-round costs in Arizona.

Peoria

Six courses: the area's two headline public courses, Quintero and Trilogy at Vistancia, a private Jim Engh club, a 36-hole 55+ community, and the cheapest executive course in this guide.

Trilogy Golf Club at Vistancia

Public daily-fee; in Trilogy's 55+ neighborhood but open to all · 18 / par 72, 7,259 yd · Gary Panks, 2004 · Upper

Desert course with wide corridors and views of the Bradshaw foothills; regularly ranked among the best public courses in metro Phoenix.

Good for: everyone.

Quintero Golf Club

Public, Troon-managed · 18 / par 72, 7,190 yd; rating 75.1, slope 145 · Rees Jones, 2000 · Premium

Remote, dramatic desert course off SR-74. A second Charter course has been listed in some directories; confirm with the club.

Good for: bucket-list rounds and low handicappers; too hard for most beginners.

Blackstone Country Club

Private · gated Blackstone at Vistancia, all ages · 18 / par 72, about 7,100 yd · Jim Engh, 2005 · Initiation + dues

Bold bowls and bunkering unlike anything else nearby.

Good for: buyers wanting a private club in a newer all-ages gated community.

Westbrook Village: Lakes

Semi-private; resident priority · 55+ · 18 / par 71, 6,016 yd · Ted Robinson · Mid

Water-heavy, mid-length, and easy walking.

Good for: residents; a second course on the same membership.

Westbrook Village: Vistas

Semi-private; resident priority · 55+ · 18 / par 72, about 6,400 yd · Ted Robinson · Mid

The slightly longer sibling of the Lakes.

Good for: residents.

Peoria Pines (Country Meadows)

Public · 18-hole executive, par 63, 4,292 yd · Greg Nash, 1978 · Budget

Short, flat, with a restaurant on site. One of the cheapest rounds in the Valley.

Good for: fast rounds and beginners.

What else a golfer should check

These vary course by course and often matter more than the design or the price.

ITEM	WHY IT MATTERS IN THE WEST VALLEY	WHAT TO ASK
Overseeding and closures	Most courses close 2–4 weeks in October to seed winter rye, then run cart-path-only for several more weeks; some budget courses skip it and go dormant in winter.	Overseed dates, cart-path-only period, whether the course overseeds at all.
Grass and greens	Bermuda in summer, rye in winter where overseeded; greens are mostly Bermuda, occasionally bentgrass.	Green type and typical summer green speed.
Walkability	Desert layouts (Quintero, Estrella, Blackstone) have long green-to-tee transfers; traditional layouts (Wigwam, Palm Valley, Sun City West) walk easily.	Whether walking is allowed, and any walking rate.
Seasonal play rules	Frost delays are common December–February and can push first tee times past 8:30; summer brings early twilight rates and 9-hole afternoons.	Frost policy, twilight and super-twilight start times.
Practice facilities	Ranges vary from full grass tees to mats or nets; several 55+ community courses have limited ranges.	Grass or mat range, short-game area, whether range balls are included.
Rating and slope	The spread is wide: slope 145 at Quintero versus about 115 at Pebblebrook.	Rating and slope from the tees you will actually play.
Rate structure	Troon-managed and newer clubs use dynamic pricing; many courses sell annual or punch-card passes and offer local discounts with ID.	Booking window (7 or 14 days), pass options, resident or local rates.
Clubs and leagues	A regular game usually comes from a men's or women's club and weekly leagues, not the course itself.	Active clubs, GHIN handicap posting, league days.
Pace and crowding	January–March rounds in the Sun Cities can run 4.5–5 hours with snowbirds; summer rounds often finish in 3.5.	Peak-season pace, resident-only tee windows.
Multi-course access	One membership can cover several courses: RCSCW (8), Sun City Grand (4), Wigwam (3), Verrado (2); some private clubs have summer reciprocal play.	What a membership includes, reciprocal arrangements.
Drive time	The six cities span about 35 miles north to south; Sun City West to Estrella is roughly 40 minutes.	Which courses are realistically within 20 minutes of the home.
Amenities for non-golfers	Some memberships include pool, fitness, dining, and pickleball; others cover golf only.	What a spouse or partner gets from a golf membership.

Course directory: Goodyear to Surprise

Addresses, pro-shop numbers, and websites, grouped by city. Courses that share a clubhouse are listed together.

Goodyear

Golf Club of Estrella
11800 S Golf Club Dr, Goodyear 85338
(623) 386-2600 · estrellagolf.com

Palm Valley Golf Club
2211 N Litchfield Rd, Goodyear 85395
(623) 935-2500 · arcisgolf.com/clubs/palm-valley-golf-club

Junior National Golf Club
15205 W Vineyard Ave, Goodyear 85338
(833) 873-7746 · juniornational.org

PebbleCreek: Eagle's Nest
3645 Clubhouse Dr, Goodyear 85395
(623) 935-6761 pro shop · (623) 935-6700 main · pebblecreekhoa.org

PebbleCreek: Tuscany Falls East & West
16262 Clubhouse Dr, Goodyear 85395
(623) 935-6757 · pebblecreekhoa.org

Litchfield Park

The Wigwam: Gold, Blue & Red
451 N Old Litchfield Rd, Litchfield Park 85340
(623) 935-9414 golf shop · (866) 976-6894 resort · wigwamarizona.com

Falcon Golf Club
15152 W Camelback Rd, Litchfield Park 85340
(623) 935-7800 (closed) · Permanently closed 2020; site redeveloped

Buckeye

Verrado Golf Club: Founders
4242 N Golf Dr, Buckeye 85396
(623) 388-3000 · verradogolfclub.com

Verrado Golf Club: Victory
20855 W Tiger Mountain Dr, Buckeye 85396
(623) 388-3000 · verradogolfclub.com

Sundance Golf Club
900 S Sundance Pkwy, Buckeye 85326
(623) 328-0400 · sundancegolfclub.com

Copper Canyon Golf Club
26577 W Desert Vista Blvd, Buckeye 85396
(928) 252-6783 · coppercanyongolfclub.com

Surprise

Sterling Grove Golf & Country Club
11440 N Greenwich Blvd, Surprise 85388
(623) 213-7000 · sterlinggroveclub.com

Coyote Lakes Golf Club
18800 N Coyote Lakes Pkwy, Surprise 85374
(623) 566-2323 · coyotelakesgolfclub.com

The Grand: Cimarron
17100 W Clearview Blvd, Surprise 85387
(623) 975-5654 · livegrandaz.com/golf

The Grand: Desert Springs
19900 N Remington Dr, Surprise 85374
(623) 546-7500 · livegrandaz.com/golf

The Grand: Granite Falls North & South
15949 W Clearview Blvd, Surprise 85374
(623) 546-7580 · livegrandaz.com/golf

Arizona Traditions Golf Club
17225 N Citrus Rd, Surprise 85374
(623) 584-4000 · aztraditions.com

Great Eagle Golf Club
17200 W Bell Rd, Surprise 85374
(623) 584-6000 · greateaglegolfclub.com

Sun Village Golf Course
14300 W Bell Rd, Surprise 85374
(623) 584-5774 · No website found

Falcon Golf Club closed permanently in 2020. Websites verified September 2026 from each club's own site or its management company; phone numbers from course websites and golf directories.

Course directory: Sun City West & Peoria

Addresses, pro-shop numbers, and websites, grouped by city.

Sun City West

Corte Bella Golf Club
22129 N Mission Dr, Sun City West 85375
(623) 556-8951 · cortebellagolfclub.com

Briarwood Country Club
20800 N 135th Ave, Sun City West 85375
(623) 584-5600 · briarwoodcc.com

Deer Valley (RCSCW)
13975 W Deer Valley Dr, Sun City West 85375
(623) 544-6016 · suncitywest.com/golf

Grandview (RCSCW)
14260 W Meeker Blvd, Sun City West 85375
(623) 544-6013 · suncitywest.com/golf

Hillcrest Golf Club (public, not RCSCW)
20002 N Star Ridge Dr, Sun City West 85375
(623) 584-1500 · hillcrestgolfclub.com

Pebblebrook (RCSCW)
18836 N 128th Ave, Sun City West 85375
(623) 544-6010 · suncitywest.com/golf

Trail Ridge (RCSCW)
21021 N 151st Ave, Sun City West 85375
(623) 544-6015 · suncitywest.com/golf

Desert Trails (RCSCW)
22525 N Executive Way, Sun City West 85375
(623) 544-6017 · suncitywest.com/golf

Echo Mesa (RCSCW)
20349 N Echo Mesa Dr, Sun City West 85375
(623) 544-6014 · suncitywest.com/golf

Stardust (RCSCW)
12702 W Stardust Blvd, Sun City West 85375
(623) 544-6012 · suncitywest.com/golf

Peoria

Trilogy Golf Club at Vistancia
12575 W Golf Club Dr, Peoria 85383
(623) 328-5100 · mytrilogylife.com/vistancia/golf

Quintero Golf Club
16752 W State Route 74, Peoria 85383
(928) 501-1500 · quinterogolf.com

Blackstone Country Club
12101 W Blackstone Dr, Peoria 85383
(623) 707-8700 · blackstonecountryclub.com

Westbrook Village: Lakes
19260 N Westbrook Pkwy, Peoria 85382
(623) 566-4548 · westbrookvillagegolf.com

Westbrook Village: Vistas
18823 N Country Club Pkwy, Peoria 85382
(623) 566-4548 · westbrookvillagegolf.com

Peoria Pines (Country Meadows)
8411 N 107th Ave, Peoria 85345
(623) 972-1364 · peoriapines.com

The Recreation Centers of Sun City West (RCSCW) operate seven courses; Hillcrest is a separate public course inside the community. RCSCW numbers are from suncitywest.com. Websites verified September 2026; phone numbers from course websites and golf directories.

Before you buy

Six things to settle before signing on a home near any of these courses.

- [ ] Confirm the age restriction on any 55+ community and whether it applies to all occupants or one owner.
- [ ] Get current resident golf package prices (RCSCW, Sun City Grand, PebbleCreek, Westbrook Village, Copper Canyon) in writing; these change annually.
- [ ] For private clubs (Briarwood, Blackstone, Sterling Grove), ask for initiation fee, monthly dues, food-and-beverage minimums, and whether membership transfers with the home.
- [ ] Check whether golf membership is bundled into the HOA or optional.
- [ ] Play the course in the season you will use it most; summer conditions and overseeding closures (typically October) differ a lot from peak season.
- [ ] Ask about tee-time access for residents versus the public during January–April, when courses are busiest.

Notes

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