



Welcome to Carefree, Arizona

County: Maricopa
Population: 3,724
Founded: 1950's
Square Miles: 9
Distance from
Sky Harbor Airport: 36 Miles
Approx. Drive Time: 40 Minutes
City Sales Tax: 3.0%
State Sales Tax: 5.6%
Average Sales Price: \$754,800



Carefree Sundial

Carefree recreational-resort communities, offer a pleasant blend of older historical theme. Carefree is nestled in the Arizona foothills, directly north of Scottsdale and approximately 15 miles northeast of Phoenix. Carefree was established in the late 1950s as a planned community. The surrounding natural scenery is spectacular, with massive piles of granite boulders, sharp mountains and an abundance of desert growth that thrives at the 2,300 foot altitude.

Carefree is a community embroidered into the surrounding landscape. Because of the low-density development, residents share the area with deer, bobcats, cardinals, coyotes, javelinas, coveys of quail and an occasional mountain lion.

The area's man-made attractions include many unique homes perched on the mountains; Carefree Conference Resort, renowned for its facilities; Carefree Sundial, the largest and most accurate in the Western Hemisphere; the huge Kachina doll at Tonto Hills; Frontier Town, a recreation of an Old West town; and Cave Creek Museum, one of the best in Arizona.

Carefree, AZ History

The Town of Carefree was the vision of KT Palmer and Tom Darlington in the early 1950's. Carefree featured Arizona's first fly-in residences at the Sky Ranch Airport, who would travel from all over the country to experience the Sonoran Desert and buy land from the Carefree Development Corporation.