



THINGS TO DO IN SCOTTSDALE BEFORE/AFTER IPRO TECH SHOW

RESTAURANTS

With more than 600 restaurants serving up regional and global specialties, Scottsdale is a foodie's paradise. No matter what type of cuisine you're craving, you'll find plenty of flavors to savor in Scottsdale. With picture perfect patios and great weather, you'll love these culinary treats: [Tap House Kitchen](#), [Blanco Tequila & Tacos](#), [Houston's Steakhouse](#), [Humble Pie Pizza](#).

In Old Town Scottsdale, the vibrant heart of the city with walkable neighborhoods brimming with eclectic shops, fine art galleries and stellar museums, you'll find unique restaurants such as [The Montauk](#) that serve new American cuisine, while [Olive & Ivy](#) is a great place for Mediterranean food. [Cien Agaves Tacos & Tequila](#) and [RA Sushi Bar](#) are also excellent choices.

NIGHTLIFE

When the sun goes down, Scottsdale sizzles with late-night diversions, including more than 80 wine bars, lounges and dance clubs right in downtown. Here are some of our favorite hot spots: [Giligins](#), [Kelly's at Southbridge](#), [Dierks Bentley's Whiskey Row](#), [Dakota](#) and [Bottled Blonde](#).

MILL AVE.

Just steps from the Ipro office is historic Mill Avenue in downtown Tempe. Mill Ave. is a city street reminiscent of an East coast city. It features boutique shopping, restaurants and bars. If you're trying to relax and have some fun after the conference, then Mill Ave. is the place to be!

DESERT EXPLORATION

Arizona is well known for its bounty of mountains and hiking trails. Be sure to check out Scottsdale's [McDowell Sonoran Preserve](#), [Camelback Mountain](#), [South Mountain Park](#) or [Papago Park](#), and you might find one of those famous Arizona sunsets. Just be sure to bring enough water.

GOLF

Due to the year-round sunny days, Arizona is also home to some of the country's best golf courses, so bring the clubs and play a few rounds while you're out here. After all, what better place is there to get some fun and networking in at the same time? Check out these great courses: [Troon North](#), [Wee-Ko-Pa Golf Club](#), [Southern Dunes](#), [The Boulders](#), and [Grayhawk Golf Club](#).

CULTURE

Get a taste of the Southwest's history at the [Heard Museum](#) which showcases Native American culture and emphasizes American Indian tribes and other cultures of the Southwest. Looking for something a little more modern? Check out the [Phoenix Art Museum](#), the largest art museum in the southwestern United States. If your family is enjoying the time with you, this museum also offers PhxArtKids for an interactive space for children.

SHOPPING

East or West, there are two great outlet mall offerings if you like to shop until you drop. [Tanger Outlets](#) have the west side covered while [Phoenix Premium Outlets](#) rule the east side of the Valley. Want a more traditional mall experience? You'll get more steps on your fitness band than some of those going for hikes in the valley when you hit all the stops at [Scottsdale Fashion Square](#).

DAY TRIPS

Arizona offers a large wine-grape growing region in the [Willcox](#) area. Check out the wineries & Vineyards by taking a drive east. The area offers shops, art galleries and of course, lots of wine!

Want to leave your adventure in the hands of a guide? Check out the guided ATV tours offered by [Phoenix Outdoor Adventures](#) that go through ghost towns and mines.

[Colossal Cave](#) is a bit of a drive (22 miles SE of Tucson), but you can choose a walking tour or a ladder tour for those looking for more of a challenge. This is well outside the city and the temperature is comfortable regardless of the heat outside!

You don't have to go to Tombstone to get the Wild West experience when you visit [Pioneer Living History Village](#). This stop is great for families and isn't even a full day's drive away from Phoenix.

The [Grand Canyon](#) is easily Arizona's most distinguishable landmark – and a natural wonder that you simply have to see to believe. Driving to the Grand Canyon is an enjoyable experience filled with many scenic detours or quick direct routes. To reach the South Rim, drive to Flagstaff and from there you can take Highway 180 to Highway 64.