HAGERTY PLUS' GUIDE TO SCOTTSDELE

WHERE TO STAY



ARIZONA BILTMORE \$\$\$

2400 East Missouri Avenue, Phoenix (800) 950-0086; www.arizonabiltmore.com

Established in 1929, the Biltmore was designed by Albert Chase McArthur, a student of Frank Lloyd Wright. This is RM Auctions' venue. It also has its own golf course.

RESORT SUITES SCOTTSDALE \$\$

7677 East Princess Boulevard, Scottsdale (888) 222-1059; www.resortsuites.com

Resort Suites is Hagerty's base camp in Scottsdale. Offering 1-room, 2-room and 4-room condo-style suites, Resort Suites is less than 5 minutes from WestWorld and the perfect homeaway-from-home after long days spent at the auctions.

THE FAIRMONT SCOTTSDALE PRINCESS \$\$\$\$

7575 East Princess Drive, Scottsdale (480) 585-4848; www.fairmont.com/scottsdale

A five-diamond hotel, the Princess offers luxury accommodation and close proximity to WestWorld, not to mention two 18-hole championship golf courses.

SAGUARO LAKE RANCH \$\$

13020 Bush Highway, Mesa; (480) 984-2194; www.saguarolakeranch.com

Nestled on the banks of the Salt River, this ranchettestyle resort offers an "easy living" vacation and activities such as horseback riding, mountain biking, fishing, boating and kayaking.

FIRESKY RESORT AND SPA \$\$\$

4925 North Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale (800) 528-7867; www.fireskyresort.com

This pet-friendly resort offers free 24-hour yoga instruction on TV, a hosted wine-of-the-month every evening from 5:00 to 6:00, and a forest-like central courtyard complete with pools, fire pits, secluded benches and a small sand-filled beach.

BEST WESTERN PAPAGO INN AND RESORT \$

7017 East McDowell Road, Scottsdale; (480) 947-7335

COMFORT INN SCOTTSDALE \$

7350 East Gold Dust, Scottsdale; (480) 596-6559

DAYS INN SCOTTSDALE \$

4710 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale; (480) 947-5411 http://scottsdaledi.homestead.com/Hotel.html

THE INSIDE TRACK

WEATHER

Scottsdale is usually warm – about 60 to 70 degrees in January – and sunny. However, you should be prepared for all weather – it snowed in 2006.

ATTIRE

Like most large-scale events, comfortable shoes are a must. Make sure you have sunscreen, even if the weather is cool. Other things to bring: a camera, cash and as much patience as you can muster. The Scottsdale auctions are traditionally busy events, so lines can be long at food and drink stations.

PARKING/DRIVING TIPS

Arrive early. Buy a bidder's pass, a catalog or a ticket in advance to cut down on wait time. Expect a hike, especially at Barrett-Jackson.

DO'S & DON'TS

Do get organized. Research each car you are interested in, take copious notes and establish your own personal grading system.

Do bring along a good price guide, like *Hagerty's* Cars That Matter, to help you to know what prices are appropriate for the cars you're stalking. See www.carsthatmatter.com

Do decide the highest price you are willing to bid and stick to it.

Do make sure a bidder's assistant is aware that you intend to bid on a vehicle.

Do pace yourself. Many of the best deals happen very late. However ...

Don't pass up an opportunity when it presents itself. Many of the best deals also happen very early.

Don't overindulge at the bidder's bar. Many a bidder gets caught up in auction excitement, and a few adult beverages can enhance the phenomena.

WHERE TO EAT



FOR BREAKFAST

THE GOOD EGG

6149 N. Scottsdale Road #111, Scottsdale; (480) 991-5416

ORIGINAL PANCAKE HOUSE

6840 East Camelback Road, Scottsdale; (480) 946-4902

Try the the Apple Pancake, a single large pancake smothered with sautéed apples and cinnamon sugar, baked to perfection.

FOR FUN

FOX SPORTS GRILL (AMERICAN)

16023 North Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale; (480) 368-0369

This is an excellent place to unwind after a long day of looking at cars and hiking the auctions. Cozy private booths, a Jumbotron TV and good food and drinks make for a relaxing time. Another Hagerty travel group favorite.

DAVE AND BUSTER'S (AMERICAN)

21001 North Tatum Boulevard, Suites 44-1400, Phoenix; (480) 538-8957

With two restaurants, three bars, 12 bowling lanes, billiards and a 17,000 sq. ft. game room, Dave and Buster's is more than a place to dine – it is an entertainment destination.

RAWHIDE

23023 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale (480) 502-5600; www.rawhide.com

Rawhide is more than a Western-style steakhouse; it's a Wild West theme town. If ribs and steaks aren't enough, stick around for gunfights, stunt shows, shooting gallery or to shop for all kinds of western wear. Great for kids and adults.

MAJERLE'S

24 N. Second Street, Phoenix (620) 253-0118; www.majerles.com

This popular sports bar is owned by former Phoenix Suns all-star Dan Majerle, who grew up in Traverse City, Mich. – just a few blocks from Hagerty's headquarters. Majerle's is near the U.S. Airways Center, home to the NBA's Suns and players often stop in for a beverage and a bite.

FOR SPEED

IN-N-OUT BURGER

7467 East Frank Lloyd Wright, Scottsdale

Just five minutes from WestWorld, In-n-Out will change your world if you're from east of Arizona.

BAJA FRESH

4032 N. Scottsdale Rd. #1, Scottsdale; (480) 429-8270

PANDA EXPRESS

7014 East Camelback Road, Suite 569, Scottsdale

FOR A CULINARY EXPERIENCE

COWBOY CIAO

7133 East Stetson Drive, Scottsdale; (480) 946-3111

Southwest meets Italian, with over 3,000 wines to choose from.

LA HACIENDA

7575 East Princess Drive, Scottsdale; (480) 585-4848

Four-diamond, gourmet Mexican fare

SEA SAW

7133 East Stetson Drive, Scottsdale; (480) 481-9463

Thrilling Japanese cuisine

SOL Y SOMBRA

20707 North Pima Road, Suite L 200, Scottsdale (480) 443-5399

An exciting tapas menu that changes regularly and features contemporary Spanish cuisine

WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU'RE SICK OF CARS ... IF THAT'S POSSIBLE

CASINO ARIZONA

Two Scottsdale Locations: 524 North 92nd Street, 9700 East Indian Bend; www.casinoaz.com

THE PHOENIX ZOO

455 North Galvin Parkway, Phoenix; www.phoenixzoo.org

SCOTTSDALE FASHION SQUARE

7014 East Camelback Road # 590, Scottsdale (480) 990-7800; www.fasionsquare.com

THE HEARD MUSEUM

2301 North Central Avenue, Phoenix; (602) 252-8848

This private museum houses one of the best collections of Native American art in the country.

THE PHOENIX ART MUSEUM

1625 N. Central Ave., Phoenix; (602) 257-1222; www.phxart.org

The Phoenix Art Museum mixes permanent exhibits — American, Asian, European and Latin American art, fashion design and furnishings — with a variety of fine rotating exhibits.

TALIESIN WEST

12621 Frank Lloyd Wright Boulevard, North Scottsdale

Frank Lloyd Wright's residence, studio and school.

WILD WEST JEEP TOURS

P.O. Box 15038, Scottsdale; (480) 922-0144 http://www.wildwestjeeptours.com

There are few better ways to see the wonders of the Arizona desert than going off road in a four-wheel-drive Jeep with a skilled guide. Be sure to call at least 24 hours in advance to make reservations.

THE AUCTIONS



BARRETT-JACKSON COLLECTOR CAR AUCTION

WHERE: WestWorld, 3020 North Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale

WHEN: January 11-18, 2009

1/13 Tuesday – Auto auction starts at 2 p.m.

1/14 Wednesday-1/18 Sunday – Auction starts at 11 a.m.

MORE INFO: (480) 421-6694; www.barrett-jackson.com

GOOD TO KNOW:

Barrett-Jackson is the granddaddy of the Scottsdale events, and 2009 marks its 38th year. More than just an auction, it's a weeklong event, complete with a charity gala, fashion shows, automobilia auctions, hundreds of vendors, major manufacturer support and attendance by many of the "stars" of car-collecting. With over 1,000 consignments, you'll see a little of everything at Barrett-Jackson.

Can't make it to Scottsdale? No worries, you can catch the high-energy and aggressive bidding live on SPEED TV.

RUSSO AND STEELE COLLECTOR AUTOMOBILE AUCTION

WHERE: 18601 North Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale WHEN: January 14-18, 2009; Auction starts at noon MORE INFO: (602) 252-2697; www.russoandsteele.com

GOOD TO KNOW:

Russo and Steele combines very good cars with very good entertainment. Fueled by flashing lights and loud music, the stands surround the stage – this is the only auction where spectators look down on the action. It's all designed to face the bidders off against each other and involve the crowd. High-performance Fords, Mustangs, Shelbys, Cobras, rods and high-end sports cars are the specialties.

SILVER AUCTIONS

WHERE: Fort McDowell Resort Casino, 10424 North Fort McDowell Road, Fort McDowell

WHEN: January 16-19, 2009

1/16 Friday - Preview at 8 a.m.; Auction starts at noon

1/17 Saturday - 10 a.m.; 1/18 Sunday - 11 a.m.;

1/19 Monday - 10 a.m.

MORE INFO: (800) 255-4485; www.silverauctions.com

GOOD TO KNOW:

Silver Auctions has a relaxed atmosphere with about 500 vehicles in all price ranges – the focus is generally on lowand mid-range post-war American cars. If you're new to collecting or don't have big dollars, Silver may be for you.

GOODING & COMPANY AUCTION

WHERE: 68th Street & East Camelback Road, Scottsdale WHEN: January 17, 2009; Auction starts at 11 a.m. MORE INFO: (310) 899-1960; www.goodingco.com

GOOD TO KNOW:

Gooding & Company's inaugural Scottsdale event last year was a resounding success, with a sale total of \$21,029,700. Although the number sounds lower than for Barrett-Jackson, the total number of cars sold is much smaller and the average cost per car is substantially higher. Like RM, Gooding & Company caters to the wealthier collectors who come to buy marques such as Talbot-Lago, Ferrari, Alfa Romeo and Packard.

RM AUCTIONS' VINTAGE MOTOR CARS IN ARIZONA

WHERE: Arizona Biltmore Resort & Spa, 24th Street & Missouri, Phoenix

WHEN: January 16, 2009; Auction starts at 10 a.m. Preview Tuesday, January 15

MORE INFO: (800) 211-4371; www.rmauctions.com

GOOD TO KNOW:

RM is a premium auction, and so are the bidders. Referred to as a "boutique sale," this is the smallest of the Scottsdale auctions, with only 100 consignments. The cars are fine examples of rare marques – Bugatti, Duesenberg, Ruxton, Ferrari, Mercedes-Benz, Pierce-Arrow and Rolls-Royce. The audience includes some of the world's most serious collectors, restorers, curators and auto journalists.

KRUSE INTERNATIONAL COLLECTOR CAR AUCTION & SHOW

WHERE: Arizona State Fairgrounds 1826 West McDowell Road, Phoenix

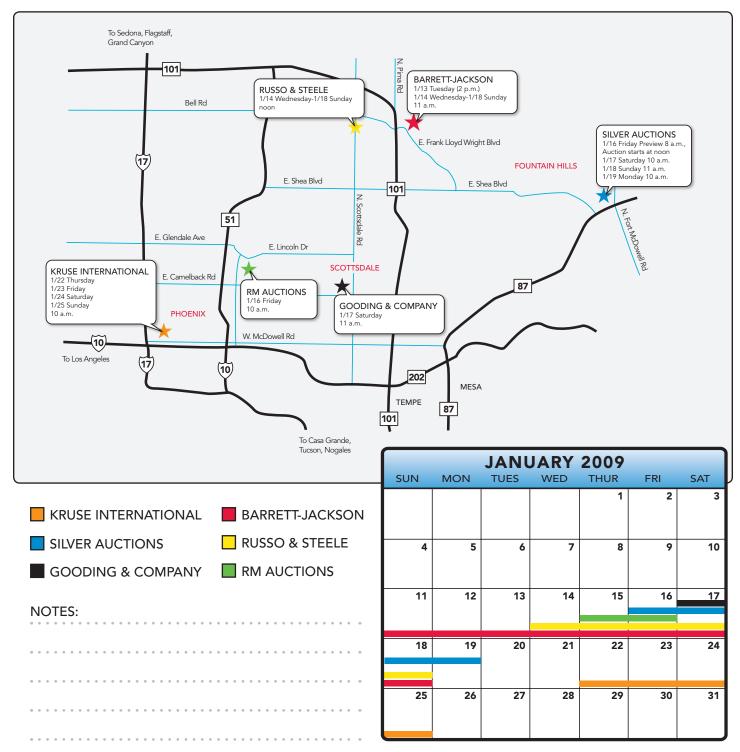
WHEN: January 22-25, 2009 Auction starts at 10 a.m. each day

MORE INFO: (800) 968-4444; www.kruse.com

GOOD TO KNOW:

Kruse International is among the world's largest collector car auctioneers. Kruse has been holding an auction in Scottsdale for over 35 years. All types and price ranges of vehicles are represented.





IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

SCOTTSDALE URGENT CARE 7350 East Stetson Drive, Suite 120, Scottsdale (480) 423-077 SCOTTSDALE HEALTHCARE AT SHEA (HOSPITAL) 9003 E. Shea Blvd., Scottsdale; (480) 323-3000 SCOTTSDALE HEALTHCARE THOMPSON PEAK (HOSPITAL) 7400 E. Thompson Peak Parkway, Scottsdale (480) 324-7000