

**THE WESTIN**  
**KIERLAND**  
RESORT & SPA  
PHOENIX-SCOTTSDALE

**ACCOLADES**  
(as of July 2010)

**Resort Overall**

- AAA 4-Diamond
- “Arizona Preservation Award for the Arizona Culturekeepers Induction,” Arizona Office of Tourism’s Governor’s Tourism Awards, 2010
- “Haute 5 Family-Friendly Venues in Phoenix,” *Hauteliving.com*, June, 24 2010
- “Top 10 U.S Business: Hotels” *Celebrated Living Magazine*, 2010
- “Premier Resort Award: Silver Medal,” *Golf Magazine*, 2010
- “The Paragon Award,” *Corporate Meetings & Incentives*, 2010
- “Premium Circle,” *Financial & Insurance Meetings*, 2009
- “Platinum Choice Award,” *Smart Meetings Magazine*, 2009
- “Gold Platter Award,” *Meeting and Conventions Magazine*, 2009
- “Gold Tee Award,” *Meetings & Conventions Magazine*, 2009
- “Top 10 U.S Business: Hotels” *Celebrated Living Magazine*, 2009
- “2009 Silver Magellan Award Winners in the Hotels and Resorts / Family Resort and Hotel category for the Family FUN Program,” *Travel Weekly*, 2009
- “Best of the West,” *Meetings West Magazine*, 2009
- “500 World’s Best Hotels,” *Travel & Leisure Magazine*, 2009
- “Connoisseur’s Collection” *Resort & Great Hotels Magazine*, 2009
- “Top Incentive and Meeting Property in North America.” *Elite Meetings*, 2009
- “Top 10 Best Places to Work in the Valley,” *Phoenix Business Journal*, 2008
- “Stars of the Industry Award for Scottish Traditions,” Arizona Hotel and Lodging Association, 2008
- “Stars of the Industry Award for FUN Passport Program,” Arizona Hotel and Lodging Association, 2008
- “2008 Gold Magellan Award Winner in the Hotels and Resorts / Family Resort and Hotel category for the Family FUN Program,” *Travel Weekly*, 2008
- “Platinum Choice Award,” *Smart Meetings Magazine*, 2008
- “Gold Key Award,” *Meetings & Conventions Magazine*, 2008
- “One of the world’s top 1% of hotels,” Expedia Insiders’ Select, 2008
- “Top 100 Golf Resort,” *Condé Nast Traveler*, 2008
- “Top 10 Hotels: U.S. Business,” *Celebrated Living*, 2008
- “Best of Tourism,” Best of the Best Awards, *Ranking Arizona*, 2008
- “Number One Resort and Hotel”(350 Rooms or More category), *Ranking Arizona: The Best of Arizona Business*, 2008
- “Number One Meeting/Convention Facility” (50,000 Square Feet or More Category), *Ranking Arizona: The Best of Arizona Business*, 2008

- “Stars of the Industry Award for FUN Family Program” American Hospitality & Lodging Association, June 2008
- “Best for Families with Teens,” *Chicago Tribune*, February 2008
- “Best if you must bring your Dog,” *Chicago Tribune*, February 2008
- “Hot List: Luxury Resorts,” *Arizona Foothills Magazine*, 2008
- “Top In Business,” (Convention & Meeting Sites category), *Arizona Woman's Magazine: Annual Who's Who in Business Edition*, 2008
- “Medical Meetings Merit & Distinction Award,” *MeetingsNet*, 2007
- “Association Meetings Inner Circle Award,” *MeetingsNet*, 2007
- “Platinum Choice Award,” *Smart Meetings Magazine*, 2007
- “Award of Excellence,” *Corporate & Incentive Travel Magazine*, 2007
- “Most Kid-Friendly Resort,” *Los Angeles Times*, June 2007
- “Hippest Resort 2007,” Hospitality Industry Professionals, Ltd., Summer 2007
- “Readers’ Choice Platinum List”—Top 20 US Business Hotels, *Celebrated Living*, Summer 2007
- “Top 20 Luxury Pet-Friendly Hotels and Spas,” *Doggie Aficionado*, May 2007
- “Greens of Distinction Award,” *Corporate & Incentive Travel Magazine*, 2007
- “Greens of Distinction Award,” *Corporate & Incentive Travel Magazine*, 2006
- “Award of Excellence,” *Corporate & Incentive Travel Magazine*, 2006
- “Gold Tee Award,” *Meetings & Conventions Magazine*, 2006
- “Readers’ Choice Platinum List”—Top 10 US Business Hotels, *Celebrated Living*, Summer 2006
- “Spirit of Excellence Award,” Carlson Marketing Group, 2005
- *Celebrated Living* “Readers’ Choice Platinum List”—Top 10 US Business Hotels, Summer, 2005
- “Gold Tee Award,” *Meetings & Conventions Magazine*, 2005
- “World’s Best Awards”—Best Business Hotel in Phoenix/Scottsdale, *Travel + Leisure Magazine*, 2004
- “Platinum Choice Award” 2004, *Smart Meetings Magazine*, December 2004
- “Pinnacle Awards” *Successful Meetings Magazine*, 2004
- “Gold Key Award,” *Meetings & Conventions Magazine*, 2004
- “Award of Excellence” Winner, *Corporate & Incentive Travel Magazine*, November 2004
- “Spirit of Excellence Award,” Carlson Marketing Group, 2004
- Nominated “Upcoming Concierge” in *WHERE Magazine*’s Silver Plume Awards 2003
- Chief Concierge nominated for “Concierge of the Year” 2003

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- AAA 4-Diamond
- “Top 5 Dining Picks this Weekend,” *The Arizona Republic*, July 16, 2010
- “Top 10 Resort and Hotel Restaurants,” *The Arizona Republic*, July 12, 2010
- “Award of Excellence,” *Wine Spectator Magazine*, 2009
- “Best Ceviche,” *Phoenix New Times*, 2009
- “Top Ten” (Regional Restaurants Category), *Ranking Arizona: The Best of Arizona Business*, 2008
- “Award of Excellence,” *Wine Spectator Magazine*, 2008
- “Award of Excellence,” *Wine Spectator Magazine*, 2007
- “Best Date Place” by *Latino Perspectives*, July 2007

- 4 ½ stars by the *Arizona Republic*, July 18, 2006
- “One of 25 Restaurants We Love,” by *Desert Living Magazine*, November 2006
- “Award of Excellence,” *Wine Spectator Magazine*, 2006
- “Award of Excellence,” *Wine Spectator Magazine*, 2005
- “Best Ceviche,” *Phoenix Magazine*, August 2005
- “Best North Side Dining Spot,” *Valley Guide*, Summer 2005
- Nominated for “America’s Best New Restaurant” by *James Beard Foundation*, 2004
- “One of 10 Underrated Spots in the U.S.” by *The Wall Street Journal*, December 5, 2003
- “Best New Restaurants” in Phoenix, *Food & Wine*, February 2004
- Golden Plate Award, “Best Appetizers,” *AZ Food & Lifestyles* May/June 2004
- Chef de Cuisine Mark Dow –Golden Plate Award, “Best Chefs,” *AZ Food & Lifestyles* March/April 2004
- Named #36 of “101 Things We Love,” *Arizona Foothills*, April 2004
- “118 of the Valley’s Best Restaurants,” *Phoenix Magazine*, January 2005
- “112 of the Valley’s Best Restaurants,” *Phoenix Magazine*, January 2004
- Chef de Cuisine Mark Dow – “Young Guns,” *Phoenix Magazine*, January 2004
- “Best New Restaurant,” *Switch Magazine*, August 2003
- “Best Place to Eat at the Bar,” *Arizona Republic*, September 14, 2003
- “Best New Restaurants of 2003,” *Phoenix Magazine*, October 2003
- “The 25 Most Important Restaurants,” *Arizona Foothills*, December 2003
- “Best Non-Liquor Bar,” *WHERE Magazine*, March 2003
- “Best Foreplay” (appetizers, drinks), *Phoenix Magazine*, August 2003

### **Kierland Golf Club**

- Sandy LaBauve, “America’s 50 Best Women Teachers,” *Golf Digest Magazine*, June 2010
- "100 Best Golf Shops," *Golf World*, 2010
- “Readers Choice,” *Golf World Magazine*, October 2009
- “2009 Silver Magellan Award Winners in the Hotels and Resorts / Golf Resort and Hotel category for the Kierland Golf Program,” *Travel Weekly*, 2009
- “Top 75 Golf Resorts in North America,” *Golf Digest Magazine*, October 2009
- “Best Places to Play,” *Golf Digest Magazine*, 2008-2009
- "100 Best Golf Shops," *Golf World*, 2009
- “Gold Tee Award,” *Meetings & Conventions Magazine*, 2008
- Sandy LaBauve, “Rolex For the Love of the Game Award,” Rolex and Ladies Professional Golf Association, 2008
- “Top Ten” (Arizona Public Golf Courses Category), *Ranking Arizona: The Best of Arizona Business*, 2008
- Mike LaBauve, “America’s 50 Greatest Teachers,” *Golf Digest Magazine*, March 2008.
- Mike and Sandy LaBauve, “Top 100 Instructors in the Country,” *Golf Magazine*, March 2008
- "100 Best Golf Shops," *Golf World*, 2008
- “Top 10 Places to Play,” *Golf Tips Magazine*, 2007
- “Greens of Distinction,” *Corporate and Incentive Travel*, 2007
- Mike LaBauve, “Best Teachers in Your State,” *Golf Digest*, August 2007
- Mike LaBauve, “America’s 50 Greatest Teachers,” *Golf Digest*, August 2007
- “Top 100 Golf Resorts,” *Condé Nast Traveler*, August 2007
- “Top 100 Golf Resorts in North America,” *Condé Nast Traveler*, June 2007

- “25 Best Family Golf Resorts in the United States,” *Golf for Women*, Summer 2007
- “Women-Friendly Golf Facility,” Executive Women’s Golf Association, 2007
- “Top 75 Golf Resorts in the United States,” *Golf Digest*, December 2006
- Mike LaBauve, “Top 50 Instructors in the Country,” *Golf Digest*, 2003-2005
- Sandy LaBauve, “Top 50 Female Instructors in the Country,” *Golf for Women*, March/April 2005
- “100 Best Golf Shops in America, Public,” *Golf World*, February 11, 2005
- LaBauve Golf Academy and Junior Golf program named #55 of “101 Things We Love,” *Arizona Foothills*, April 2004
- “Top 100 Golf Shops in the United States,” *Golf Shop Operations Magazine*, 2001
- “Most Improved Facility,” Troon Golf, 2000
- “Best New Daily Fee Clubhouse,” *Golf Inc.*, December 2002
- Mike and Sandy LaBauve, “Top 100 Instructors in the Country,” *Golf Magazine*, 1991-2005
- “Best New Clubhouse, Public,” *Golf Inc.*, December 2002
- “Top 100 Women-Friendly Golf Courses,” *Golf Magazine*, 2002
- “Newcomer of the Year,” Troon Golf, 1999
- “Best New Public Golf Course,” *Golf Digest*, 1996

#### **Agave-The Arizona Spa**

- “Top Ten” (Resort Day Spas with 100 Staff or More Category), *Ranking Arizona: The Best of Arizona Business*, 2008
- “Hot List” (Relax! Soothing Spas Category), *Arizona Foothills Magazine*, 2008
- “Planners’ Best Bets,” *Meetings West Magazine*, January 2006
- “The 100 Best Spas,” *Harpers Spas*, January 2004
- “Top 25 Spas,” *Phoenix Business Journal*, 2004
- “Editor’s Choice,” *WHERE Magazine*, October 2003
- “Best Boutique” *Arizona Foothills Magazine*, January 2004
- “Best Waiting Room Beverage of Choice: The Agave Limeade,” *Arizona Foothills Magazine*, January 2004
- Named 10<sup>th</sup> best spa in Phoenix by Citysearch.com (2003 Audience Winners)

#### **The Brittlebush Bar & Grill**

- “Favorite 19<sup>th</sup> Hole,”: *Scottsdale Airpark News Magazine*, 2007
- Golden Plate Award, “Best Entrées,” *AZ Food & Lifestyles* September/October 2004
- Certificate of Achievement in Spirit Hospitality—Hotel and Resort from *Santé*, 2003