



Business

## Ritzy retirement communities

55-and-over club can now live in settings most Americans would envy



### PebbleCreek

Location: Goodyear, AZ  
 Size: about 3,200 homes  
 Cost: \$340,000 to about \$600,000

Year Opened: 1993

PebbleCreek, an active adult community located about 15 miles from Phoenix, offers homes with high-end features such as granite kitchen countertops, tile floors and energy-efficient walls. Built by Robson Communities, they range from about 1,500 square feet to about 3,400 square feet, and in the more expensive versions, buyers can opt for wet bars, butler's pantries and guest casitas. The palm tree-surrounded clubhouse features a billiards room, banquet room, library, two restaurants and swimming pools. There is a performing arts center with a stadium-style theater, a tennis center and a fitness center.



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To give our readers a taste of what's available, Forbes.com has selected ten high-end properties in various parts of the United States. Some opened more than a decade ago; others will be ready for occupancy this year. They don't all come with stretch limousines (though one does), but each boasts special facilities, finishes or services. So, if you're willing to pay the price, you can do the golden years in style.

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#### Community

- [PebbleCreek](#)
- [Classic Residences by Hyatt](#)
- [Valencia Shores](#)
- [La Posada](#)
- [The Clare at Water Tower](#)
- [Cedars at Chapel Hill](#)
- [The Gatesworth](#)
- [Sterling Glen of Rye Brook](#)
- [The Marque at Heritage Hunt](#)
- [Trilogy at Redmond Ridge](#)

#### Location

- Goodyear, AZ
- Palo Alto, CA
- Lake Worth, FL
- Palm Beach Gardens, FL
- Chicago, IL
- Chapel Hill, NC
- St. Louis, MO
- Rye Brook, NY
- Gainesville, VA
- Redmond, WA

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