

RESORT ECO-INITIATIVES AND SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICES



At JW Marriott Phoenix Desert Ridge Resort & Spa, we are committed to reducing our environmental impacts, practicing responsible hospitality management, and integrating sustainability throughout our property.

We want to be part of the solution in tackling climate change and building a healthier and more sustainable world. While we are always looking for new ways to minimize our footprint, below is a list of what we've achieved so far.

FOOD & BEVERAGE

- Recycling of discarded glass and cardboard throughout the resort
- Partnering with [Chefs to End Hunger](#) to deliver food waste safe for consumption to the [United Foodbank of Mesa](#), and with [Recycled City](#) to deliver food waste to compost
- Recycling fryer oil that is no longer good for consumption to create biofuel
- On-property 1.5 acre garden utilized to supply herbs, vegetables, and fruit to resort restaurants
- QR codes utilized for menus in restaurants, reducing printing and paper use by 80%
- JW Marriott Desert Ridge logo water bottles are BPA free and 100% recycled plastic that can be refilled and reused
- Tía Carmen restaurant partners with Danzeisen Dairy, using glass milk bottles which are returned and reused
- All boxed meal recyclable containers are made from 97% renewable sources

SPA

- Partnering with sustainable skin care lines such as Eminence and Kerstin Florian
- Spa pool uses non-chlorinated salt water
- Use of online spa brochures to reduce paper waste

EVENTS

- Notepads and pens in meeting rooms are made from 100% recycled materials
- Purified water stations in meeting spaces, instead of single-use water bottles
- Use of online event menus and paperless billing to reduce paper waste
- Escalators to meeting space are turned off when not in use to conserve energy
- All meeting spaces feature fluorescent LED lighting
- Partnership with local produce, dairy, bakery and meat vendors for event catering menus

GOLF

- Wildfire Golf Club is a [Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary](#)
- Heat and drought tolerant turf implemented to conserve water
- Reduced overseed turf grass by 60 acres
- 50 acres of naturalized desert space established as wildlife corridors throughout golf courses
- Water quality is monitored regularly through testing and maintaining a no spray zone around irrigation lakes

GUESTROOMS

- All guestrooms feature new networked thermostats with occupancy sensors, and automatic shutdown of AC units when sliding doors are open
- LED lighting and timed/motion sensor light switches in all guestrooms
- Recycling of paper, plastic and glass in guestrooms
- Optional guestroom linen and terry reuse program in place to reduce water consumption

OVERALL RESORT

- Electric vehicle charging stations have been installed
- Efficiency and sustainability retrofits have been installed for faucets, toilets, showers, chillers, air handlers, hot water pumps and landscaping irrigation
- All exterior and back of house lighting replaced with LED
- Sensor and water conserving faucets have been installed in all public restrooms
- Timed light switches have been installed in storage rooms
- 24-hour lobby lights are high efficiency LED
- Procedures are in place to adjust temperatures throughout the resort, turning off AC units as appropriate to conserve energy
- 4.8 M gallons of water conservation annually by installing 96,740 sq.ft. of synthetic turf throughout the resort grounds
- Hotel has a modern building automation system