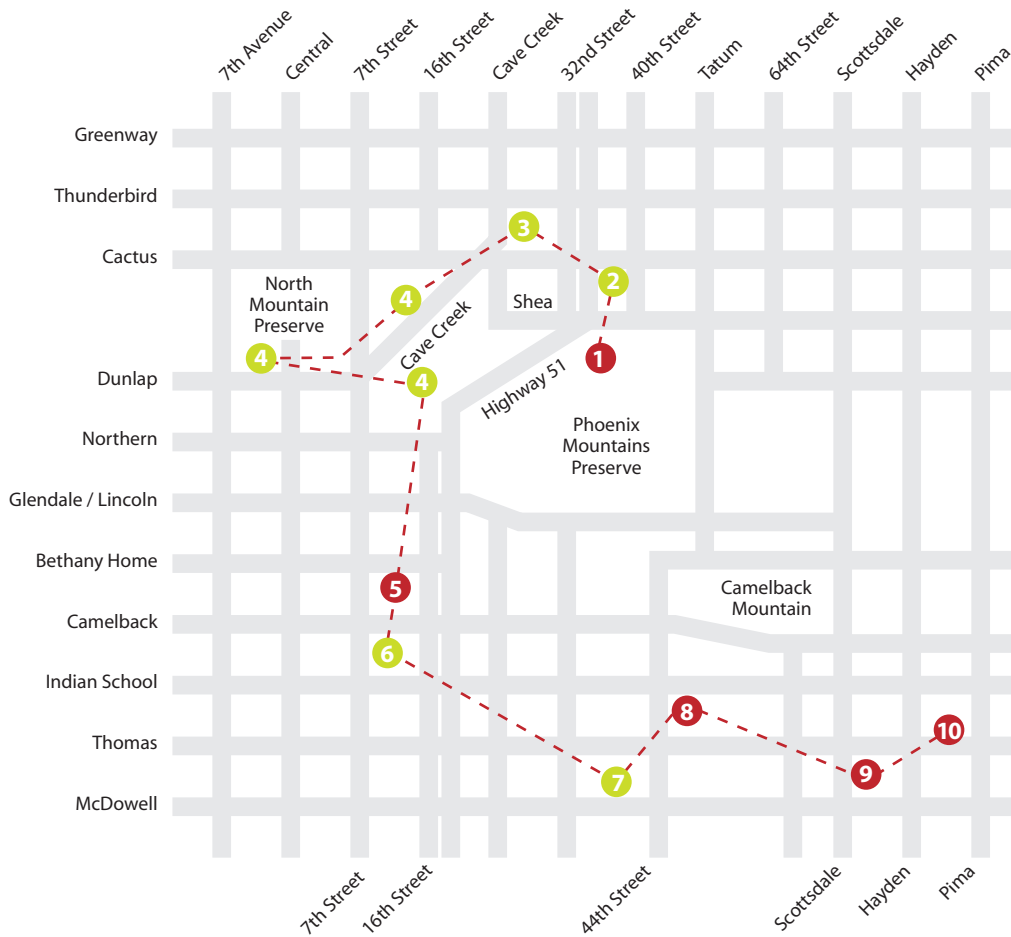


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A Sunday drive through Phoenix's most promising midcentury modern neighborhoods

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Modern Phoenix editors Matthew and Alison King have faithfully tracked the revitalization of the city's most interesting midcentury modern neighborhoods during their leisurely Sunday Drives over the years. This map pinpoints five well-established neighborhoods that are Modern Phoenix member favorites and five lesser-known areas the Kings think hold excellent potential for the pioneering modern homeowner. For extensive photo essays, articles, research and interactive discussions about these neighborhoods and the upcoming 3rd Annual Modern Phoenix Home Tour visit their website at www.modernphoenix.net

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- 1 **Paradise Gardens** from 36th and Gold Dust to 33rd and Mountain View. Designed by Valley legend Al Beadle, this desert development with mountain views remains one of Phoenix's most sought-after midcentury communities. It is wildly popular with architects for its boxy volumes.
- 2 **Star of Paradise** from 36th and Cactus to Sunnyside and 40th. This modest subdivision of charming midcentury tract homes has excellent accessibility to Paradise Valley and the 51. There has been much promising neighborhood improvement activity here lately, though not necessarily faithful to the midcentury style.
- 3 **Chateau Thierry** from Thunderbird and 28th to Sweetwater and 24th. This tucked-away mountain community features several great examples of midcentury custom homes with large lots, desert landscaping and curvaceous streets that show off the elevated organic terrain.
- 4 **Sunnyslope and Cactus Heights** flanking both sides of Cave Creek Road from Sunnyside at the north to Dunlap to the south, then down 12th street to Northern Avenue to the southeast. A transitional mountain community that several architects have called home over the years. For more detailed information about Sunnyslope and its homes, write to ModernPhoenix editor alison@modernphoenix.net
- 5 **Marlen Grove** from 10th and Bethany Home Road to Montebello and 11th. Playfully referred to as *The Circle of Power*, this Ralph Haver designed neighborhood was the first Haverhood to break out in the media as a haven for design lovers in the 2000s. Established and emerging Valley architects have all participated in this neighborhood's dramatic transformation.
- 6 **Canal North** from 7th Street and Highland to 14th Street and Campbell. Uptown Phoenix was Architect Ralph Haver's postwar proving grounds and home to several early Modern elevations that would soon define the ubiquitous style of Modernism in the Valley. A mix of Early Ranch, Bungalow, Contemporary Ranch and Art Moderne styles comprise this highly transitional neighborhood. Confirmed and unconfirmed Haver Houses dot the landscape, testament to Haver's impact on the early development of the Valley. For an interesting diversion through the city, take 12th Street south from Dunlap Avenue in Sunnyslope to Campbell in Phoenix and explore its residential side streets for an overview of vernacular midcentury Modern styles.
- 7 **Rancho Ventura** from 40th and McDowell to 41st and Palm. Near the border between Scottsdale and Phoenix, this relatively untouched Haverhood is one of the last few areas where a Haver Home can be purchased for less than \$250,000. Clearly transitional but with a motivated neighborhood association active in the Modern Phoenix community, this neighborhood features the same floorplans and elevations as Scottsdale's historic Town and Country, below.
- 8 **Windemere** from Indian School and 45th Street to Fairmont and 45th Place. Another midcentury magnet for architects, this small Haverhood rivals Marlen Grove in its stylish development and innovation. The Arcadia location allows easy access to both Phoenix and Scottsdale.
- 9 **Town & Country** from Oak and 72nd to Monte Vista and 74th. The City of Scottsdale has been the first to recognize the significance of this classic Haverhood featuring clinker brick construction, a playful nod to the Haver family tradition of bricklaying. Watch this area closely for cues on how historic designation will impact personal design expression in the community.
- 10 **Village Grove** from 81st Way and Oak to 85th Street and Osborn. Home to the cultishly popular Allied builder elevations, homes near this neighborhood were recently designated Historic by the City of Scottsdale. The contemporary modern elevations are rare and competitive to obtain.