

# Sized Just Right

*Stone Canyon Club in the spotlight.*



Stone Canyon's Jay Morrish golf course, nestled in the Tortolita Mountains, is carved through a boulder-filled canyon and peppered with an impressive collection of large saguaro cacti.

ORO VALLEY, ARIZONA: Lululemon, the red-hot athletic apparel maker, realized one size does not fit all. It recently expanded its sizing to 10 different fits.

"Believe it or not, golf communities come in different sizes as well," said Mike Russell, general manager at Stone Canyon. "It's important to ask yourself, 'What type of lifestyle am I looking for?' Are you looking for an intimate club where in most members [even those who are seasonal] know each other or a megapolis that rivals a small town? Both offer advantages and drawbacks.

"Stone Canyon is sized right," continued Russell. "Our amenities are best in class and surrounding beauty is second to none. With a location on the outskirts of Tucson, our area is new, safe, and friendlier than many of better known golf destinations in the Desert Southwest. Growth confirms our appeal. The club's membership roster has never been higher and I can't think of a time when Stone Canyon's future is more bright." ■

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The clubhouse is contemporary with clean lines. The bar has a zinc countertop with punches of color throughout, and its fireplace mantle and dining room tables are made from reclaimed wood of a 1920s cotton mill from Truman, Arkansas.



**The Match at Stone Canyon** was held over the Thanksgiving holiday last year. Coverage transformed standard golf treatment—that is usually sedate—into an event that even the most digitally addicted golfer would enjoy. The setting was stunning and the competition was fun to watch.

The trash talk started early as team Phil Mickelson and Charles Barkley defeated Peyton Manning and Steph Curry.

"Each hole at Stone Canyon offers something new and exciting. The design was 'made' for Charles Barkley [a 25 handicap]," smiled Mickelson. "It's playable for any ability as long as you select from the right tee box. When I am asked how I know all the correct angles of play, my answer is simple. I love Stone Canyon so much, I bought the course."

Construction of Stone Canyon cost \$33 million. "I understand \$8.5 million was allocated to dynamite holes into impressive rock formations," announced Gary McCord.

At the turn, it was anyone's bet who would win the back and forth rivalry. The 12th hole proved pivotal with both teams facing trouble. "That's 'terrible' Chuck," said Tom Brady on watching Sir Charles unravel.

Phil's local knowledge and ability turned the tide. "Watching Phil play is like watching someone turn water into wine," expressed Deion Sanders.

As the glow of sunset cast long shadows, the free-flowing competition raised millions of dollars for charity and a donation of 400,000 meals to Feed America.

