UNITED STATES

CANYON RANCH

- Attempt the high ropes challenge course and zipline, blindfolded!
- Customised fitness programs using battle ropes, kettle bells and advanced Pilates techniq

Located in the Santa Catalina Mountains, surrounded by Arizona's conic saguaro cacti, Canyon Ranch offers respite from hectic city living. Mel Zuckerman co-founded the flagship Tucson property as the first in an expanding collection of life-improvement spas that began in the Sonoran Desert in 1979. After realising a personal health overhaul was necessary and experiencing a short disastrous stay at a weightloss ranch, Mel was inspired to launch a multi-disciplinary approach to health and wellness.

Canyon Ranch attempts to address all kinds of wellness concerns and offers a structured counselling service, as well as luxury facilities and indulgent spa experiences. There is certainly no shortage of variety on offer at this 80,000-sq-ft (7432-sq-metre) complex – choose to swim in one of the four pools or select from hundreds of fitness and wellness classes, including the innovative aerial Pilates class featuring a hammock suspended from the ceiling.

Each day starts with a group walk in nature or sunrise yoga before a nutritious breakfast. The kitchen leads daily classes teaching healthy cooking techniques that you can try at home, or reserve your spot on the 7 Days to Change program, which promises a dynamic approach to improving your life.

There is a no tipping policy here and the rate includes all classes, activities and meals. Additional spa services, including massages, are also available.

ON YOUR DOORSTEP

Once the sun sets the desert provides the ideal conditions for exploring the night sky free from light pollution. Visit nearby Kitt Peak National Observatory, which houses the largest collection of telescopes and other astronomical instruments in the northern hemisphere.

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PORTUGAL SIX SENSES SPA DOURO VALLEY A team of tree-climbing specialists (yes that is a real job) will help you scale the helphis of ON YOUR DOORSTEP Six Senses Spa, in Portugal's Play at being a winemaker for the day with a stunning Douro Valley, can tour of local vineyards, and you'll even get a be found by descending chance to stomp the grapes yourself, season thic candlelit staircase inside a permitting. The Douto river also provides ored 19th-century mansion. Rooms many recreation opportunities, including feature modern styling and views of wine cruises, canoeing and water skiing dlands or the Douro river below. egrated wellness programs offer guests a nised plan of fitness and nutrition goals k towards. You'll also have the chance variety of yoga styles with in-house asters. Enjoy a drink or two on the verlooking the swimming pools and valley, before taking a stroll through the organic vegetable and herb gardens. o find local flavours on offer at meal choice of all fresco or upscale indoor ts, including the wine library where ample vintages from the region. ourself to a range of indulgent face treatments on offer at the spa, he luxurious rose diamond facial, real diamond dust to exfoliate night falls, turn your attention neglected facet of a balanced gram - quality sleep. Six Senses regime to help quests adopt ution techniques leading to andmade mattresses and sleep fer customised solutions to lop healthy sleep habits.