

LIVING LARGE
Rosie's Rock makes for a trippy centerpiece at one of the Boulders Resort's two golf courses.

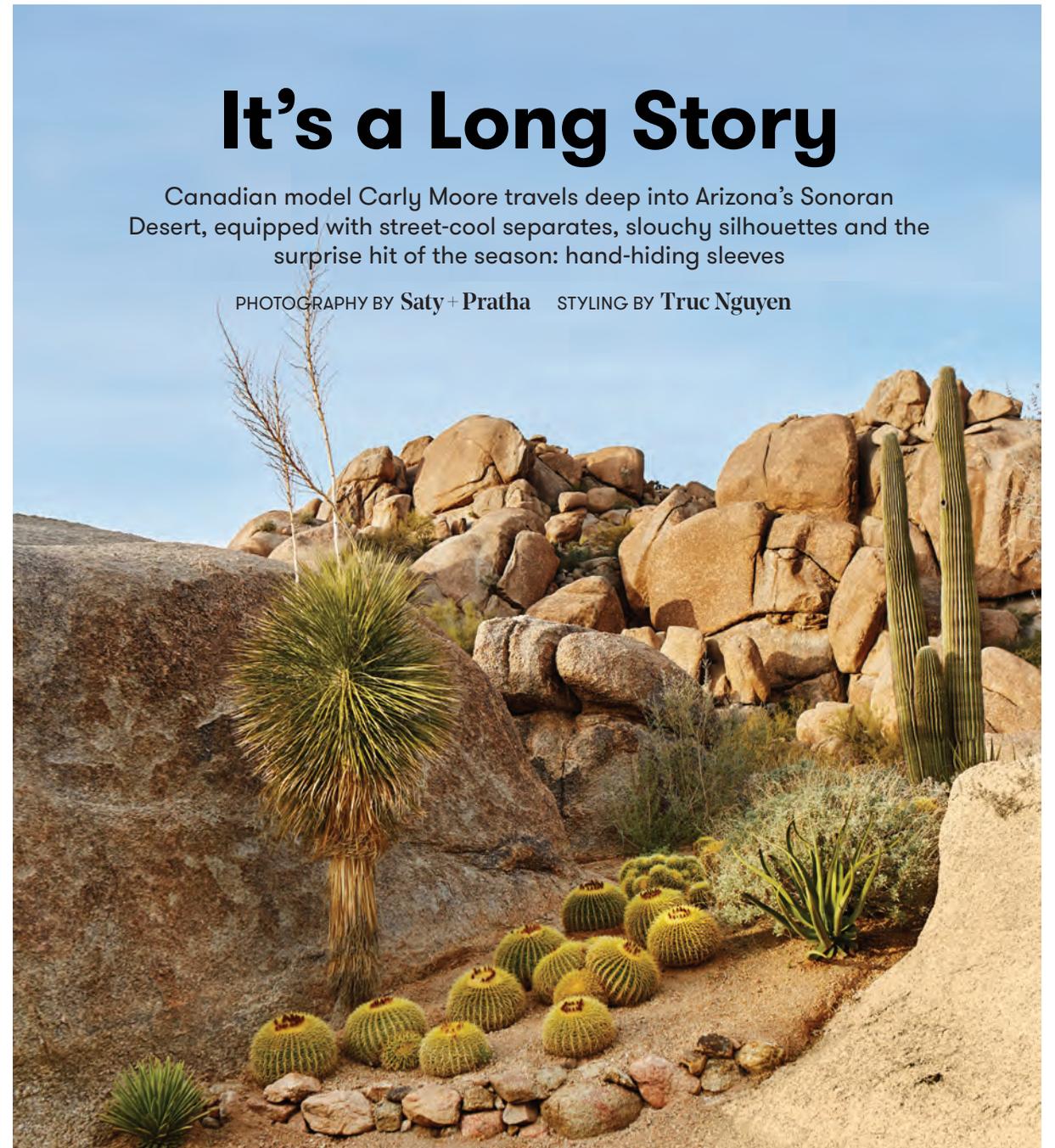
Coat, pants, bag, shoes, all Balenciaga.



It's a Long Story

Canadian model Carly Moore travels deep into Arizona's Sonoran Desert, equipped with street-cool separates, slouchy silhouettes and the surprise hit of the season: hand-hiding sleeves

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BREATHE IN

Giant saguaro cacti can only be found in the Sonoran Desert; their sweet-smelling white blossoms are the state flower.

Top, Vetements. Pants, Marni. Earrings and necklace, both Alynne Lavigne. Shoes, J.W. Anderson.



SOLID FOUNDATION

Prehistoric rocks are a favourite backdrop for photos at the Boulders Resort & Spa.

Turtleneck, T-shirt and pants, all Off-White c/o Virgil Abloh. Necklace, Jennifer Fisher.

PLAYING FIELD

Hikers can explore 235 kilometres of trails at the McDowell Sonoran Preserve. Resident mule deer, javelinas, roadrunners and coyotes make for impromptu companions.

Jacket, Hunter. Shoes, Alexander Wang.



LIGHT SHOW

The foothills of Scottsdale, visible along the horizon, are a playground for rock climbers.

Dress, Burberry. Top, MM6 Maison Margiela. Earrings, Alynne Lavigne.



CHECK POINT
 Cholla and saguaro cacti, pictured in the background, are worth a stop and stare at the Brown's Ranch trailhead in the McDowell Sonoran Preserve.

Jacket, top, pants and shoes, all Céline.



POWER PLANTS
 Desert flora add surreal beauty to the grounds at the Boulders Resort & Spa.

Coat, Calvin Klein Collection.
 Top and jeans, both Vetements.
 Earrings, Jennifer Fisher. Boots, MM6 Maison Margiela.

Trip Out Like An Editor

Iconic architecture, next-level spas and dreamlike desertscapes make TRUC NGUYEN ooh and om in Scottsdale, Ariz.

WHERE TO STAY The Boulders Resort & Spa's 1,300-acre property (theboulders.com) boasts cozy adobe-style casitas, two swank golf courses and a ton of rock formations. At this five-star—part of the Curio Collection by Hilton—you can detox with cleansing sage at the spa, hot-air balloon over the desert and go for a highly Instagrammable hike...all in one day. The sunsets are superlative with a horizon that goes on for miles, and once the sun dips behind the mountains, the resort's wild locals—including cottontail rabbits and boar-like javelinas—come out to roam. If people-watching is more your beat, the eclectic Hotel Valley Ho (hotelvalleyho.com) in downtown Scottsdale draws a cool crowd—especially by the pool—with its mid-century architecture and Jetsons-era decor.

WHAT TO EAT Palo Verde at the Boulders Resort & Spa serves simple Southwestern cuisine; the short-rib hash and farmers' market frittata are top-notch breakfast options. At the Four Seasons Resort Scottsdale, Proof Canteen's (proofcanteen.com) reasonably priced American comfort menu includes classics like shrimp and grits, and beer-can chicken. Off-resort, excellent Mexican restaurants abound; local faves include Mucha Lucha Taco Shop and The Mission, where the guacamole is prepared tableside.

MUST-SEES Embrace the stark beauty of the desert at the McDowell Sonoran Preserve (mcdowellsonoran.org), the largest urban nature sanctuary in North America with over 30,000 acres to explore on foot, bike and horseback. Design buffs will love Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin West (franklloydwright.org). Built in 1937 as a winter home, the National Historic Landmark site remains a working architecture school and top-drawer tourist draw. Another gem is Cosanti (arcosanti.org/cosanti), the late Italian architect Paolo Soleri's otherworldly studio and residence in nearby Paradise Valley. Downtown, stop by the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art (smoca.org) to see James Turrell's skyspace installation *Knight Rise*, and meander through Old Town for Native American-made crafts and quirky Southwestern souvenirs.

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VALLEY ACCENT
Magical sunsets go down at the Tom's Thumb trailhead in the McDowell Sonoran Preserve.

Jumpsuit, MM6 Maison Margiela. Top and earrings, both Prada. Shoes, Salvatore Ferragamo.

Hair and makeup: Vittorio, Kevin Murphy and Charlotte Tilbury, Plutino Group. Model: Carly Moore, The Society Management. Casting: Jody Furlong. Art Director: Jed Tallo.

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