

Sun City Festival Hiking Club
HIKE DESCRIPTION FORM

Hike Name: Lost Dog Wash Trail

Location: McDowell Sonoran Conservancy, 12601 N 124 St., Scottsdale

Hike Description: Lost Dog Wash Trailhead is one of the major access points for the Preserve. This award-winning trailhead provides extensive vehicle and equestrian parking along with a gathering area and other amenities. A gentle out-and-back hike that crosses several small washes, Taliesin Overlook has extensive views northwest and looks down onto Frank Lloyd Wright's Taliesin West, his winter home and school. Taliesin is still active as a school of architecture. This 4.5-mile hike showcases a great variety of wildflowers when in season.

Taliesin West is very close to the trailhead and restaurant. You may want to consider visiting after the hike or lunch if you have not seen it.

Rating: Easy - Easy-Moderate

Type: Out-and-Back

Trail Name(s): Lost Dog Wash & Taliesin Overlook

Length – Miles and Time: 4.5 mi. & 2 ½ hrs.

Trailhead Start and End: Lost Dog Wash Trailhead

Elevation Change: 350 ft.

Travel Directions: Turn left onto Sun Valley Pkwy. Then 9.91 miles Sun Valley Pkwy becomes W Bell Rd. Then 12.40 miles turn slight left to take the AZ-101 Loop N ramp. Then 0.14 miles merge onto AZ-101 Loop N. Then 22.49 miles take EXIT 38 toward Frank Lloyd Wright Blvd. Then 0.39 miles merge onto N Pima Rd. Then 0.17 miles turn left onto E Frank Lloyd Wright Blvd. Then 4.46 miles turn left onto E Via Linda. E Via Linda is 0.2 miles past E Altadena Ave. If you reach E Desert Cove Ave, you've gone about 0.2 miles too far. Then 1.34 miles turn left onto N 124th St. N 124th St is 0.1 miles past N 122nd Pl. If you reach N 126th St, you've gone about 0.2 miles too far. Then 0.57 miles [12159 - 12199] N 124th St, [12159 - 12199] N 124TH ST.

Travel Time: 1 hr. 15 min. – 1 hr. 30 min.

Parking: (See Hike Description)

Rest Rooms: Yes