Sun City Festival Hiking Club HIKE DESCRIPTION FORM

Hike Name:

Morgan City Wash

Location:

Lake Pleasant Park

Rating:

Moderate

Hike Description

Hike downhill about ³/₄ of a mile to a desert forest and riparian area in Morgan City Wash. Then you hike up-hill about ¹/₄ mile to the Beardsley Trail. Van leads drivers back up-hill 2 miles to the Ten-Lane Boat Ramp parking area. Others may choose to hike downhill 1 mile to the CSR Maricopa Trailhead.

Trail Names:

Begin on Holbert trail, take fork leading to Dobbins Peak, return to TH. Holbert Trail features several Petroglyphs, a box canyon and great views of the valley from Dobbins Peak. A display at the peak names the surrounding mountains and peaks

Type:

Loop

<u>Trail Names:</u> Frog Tanks, Beardsley and off trail through wash

Length – Miles and Time:

4-5 miles 3 hours

Trailhead Start and End:

Ten-Lane Boat Ramp and optional Maricopa Trailhead Beardsley CSR Road

Elevation Change:

500 feet

Travel Directions:

Sun Valley Parkway, go north on 303, get off at Exit 131. Go north on Lake Pleasant Parkway for 2.4 miles, then onto Highway 74. Just before crossing the Agua Fria River Bridge, turn right onto a short road to the Beardsley CSR Maricopa Trailhead. We may leave some vehicles at this parking lot. Continue west on Highway 74 and turn right onto Castle Hot Springs Road. Enter Lake Pleasant Park and take the South Park Road to the Ten-Lane Boat Ramp parking area.

Travel Time:

1 Hour

Parking:

Yes <u>Rest Rooms:</u> Yes