

Sun City Festival Hiking Club
HIKE DESCRIPTION FORM

Hike Name: Waddell-Ford Canyon Trails – White Tank Mountains

Location: White Tank Mountains Regional Park

Hike Description: This is an easy to moderate 4-mile hike in the White Tank Mountains on the Waddell Trail and a portion of the Ford Canyon Trail. It crosses five stream beds that drain the White Tank Mountains. Two of the stream beds require hikers to hike down, across and up the other side. The turn-around point for the hike is at two signs warning hikers that it is hazardous to hike beyond that point. (Makes for a good photo op!)

Rating: The Waddell Trail is easy. The Ford Canyon Trail is easy except for hiking over two low ridges that may be moderate to some hikers.

Type: In-and-out

Trail Name(s): Waddell and Ford Canyon trails

Length – Miles and Time: 4 miles – approximately 2-1/2 hrs.

Trailhead Start and End: Waddell Trail Head at the parking lot for Area 7 (on Ramada Way)

Elevation Change: 50 feet

Travel Directions: Follow either Cotton Road or the 303 Loop (exit on Peoria Way) to Olive. Go west on Olive to the park. In the park, follow the main drive (White Tank Mountain Rd) to Waterfall Canyon Rd. Follow Waterfall Canyon Rd to Ramada Way and the parking lot.

Travel Time: 40 minutes

Parking: Yes

Rest Rooms: Yes