Sun City Festival Hiking Club

HIKE DESCRIPTION FORM

Hike Name:

Turnbuckle Loop Trail, Skyline Regional Park

Location:

Skyline Regional Park, 2600 N Watson Road (2 miles north of the I-10 Watson Road Interchange)

Rating:

Moderate

Hike Description

The park is located on 8,675 acres in mountainous, geologically complex terrain. The loop trail is 3 miles in length and labeled moderate, with a section of switchbacks. Halfway through this trail loop there is an opportunity for a short hike to the summit (in and out). They have this marked difficult. It rises up 240 ft in elevation in 0.3 of a mile and is a single file trail in much of the path with drop offs on the side. There is a beautiful 360-degree view from the top and worth the trek.

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

Trail Names:

Turnbuckle

Length – Miles and Time:

3 miles, approx.2-2 ½ hours

Trailhead Start and End:

Parking Lot by restrooms and bridge

Elevation Change:

560 feet

Travel Directions:

Turn right (west) onto Sun Valley Parkway – continue for 19 miles. Turn left to merge onto I-10 East & continue 7 miles. Take exit 117 onto Watson Rd. Turn left onto Watson Rd. Continue 2 miles to Park entrance. After you go through the entrance, turn left to the Trail Head Parking

Travel Time:

30 Minutes

Parking:

Yes

Rest Rooms:

Yes