

**Sun City Festival Hiking Club**  
**HIKE DESCRIPTION FORM**

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**Hike Name:** Bronco Butte Trail at Desert Mountain Subdivision

**Location:** "The Trails" at Desert Mountain. This is a gated community and you will only be allowed on the property in our car caravan on the day of the hike. Need to organize with Tom Johnson or George Landis in SCF Hiking Club to get prior approval to enter.

**Hike Description:** Beautiful Vistas hike on private property at Desert Mountain in Scottsdale, AZ. The trails are smooth and wide (no rock climbing). There are panoramic views of the valley throughout the trail system and atop Butte Peak (elevation 4,890').

**Rating:** Moderate - Difficult

**Type:** Loop (large)

**Trail Names:** Start on East Bronco Butte, then Tonto Ridge and then Apache Skyline Trails

**Length – Miles and Time:** Moderate to Strenuous due to length of 6.7 miles and elevation change of 1,700 feet. Clockwise hike is a steady uphill for 2.2 miles, slow decent for 3 miles and more rapid descent the last 1.5 miles. 3.5 - 4 hours.

**Trailhead Start and End:** The Ranch @ Desert Mountain. (On Private Property)

**Elevation Change:** 1,700 feet

**Travel Directions:** Sun Valley Parkway west to Loop 303. North on Loop 303 to I-17, go north on I-17 to exit 223 and turn east (right) on Carefree Hwy. After approx. 10 miles turn left on N. Cave Creek Rd. and follow for approx. 7 miles turn left on N. Desert Mountain Parkway. There is a parking lot on the left right after you last turn. Wait in the parking lot until everyone arrives and we will go through the security check-point together. The trailhead is approx. 7 miles of asphalt further once we are on the private property.

**Travel Time:** 90 Minutes

**Parking:** Yes - Free

**Rest Rooms:** Yes