

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

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**Hike Name:** Big Reef Mill Trail (Long) - Bradshaw Mountains

**Location:** Castle Hot Springs Road, about 11 northeast of Morristown

**Hike Description:** Hike is along abandoned mine roads, hiking/equestrian/motor bike trail, and several hundred yards cross country to a mountain summit. Trail is very steep in places. The trail is not groomed and can be very rocky in spots. Route is unsigned but is easy to follow.

At various points along the trail you can see the Big Reef Mill “hopper”, White Tank Mountains, Phoenix Stadium, Phoenix city skyline (often obscured due to pollution), Wickenburg, and Lake Pleasant. Hike to top of mountain is 7-1/2 miles (estimate: a little more than 4 hours).

**Rating:** Difficult due to length and steep grades. Poles are a must.

**Type:** Out and Back

**Trail Name(s):** Big Reef Mill Trail -- Bradshaw Mountains

**Length – Miles and Time:** 7-1/2 miles and 4 hours

**Trailhead Start and End:** Castle Hot Springs Rd, 12.6 miles from Morristown, dirt road entrance on left side of road. Not marked.

**Elevation Change:** Est 1000+ ft.

**Travel Directions:** West on 60 to Castle Hot Springs Road (Morristown), right on Castle Hot Springs Road approximately 12.6 miles to trail head on left (no official parking lot; off road parking). NOTE: Castle Hot Springs road is paved for about 2 miles, then it becomes graded dirt. It is generally even but the last mile or so can be “wash boardy”. (Multiple cars were seen on the road.) SUV or truck suggested.

**Travel Time:** 45 mins to 1 hour

**Parking:** Off dirt road

**Rest Rooms:** None