

Sun City Festival Hiking Club
HIKE DESCRIPTION FORM

Hike Name: Papago Park Loop Hikes, Phoenix

Location: 625 N Galvin Pkwy, Phoenix, AZ

Hike Description: A series of easy loop hikes in Papago Park, Phoenix. Generally, gently rolling terrain on gravel path trails. Oddly eroded by wind and rain, red sandstone buttes lie scattered throughout the park. We will visit the Hole-In-The-Rock butte first. There is 0.7 mi. loop around the butte with a 200' moderate climb where you can explore the hole with some great views of Phoenix.

Next you can drive across Galvin Parkway to the west side trailheads – Double Butte and Little Butte Loops. This is a figure 8 loop with many opportunities to explore the strange buttes.

Next you can return to the east side of the Park to visit the pyramid tomb of AZ first governor, George W. P. Hunt and his family.

Rating: Easy

Type: Loop

Trail Name(s): Hole-in-the-Rock Loop, Double Butte Loop, Little Butte Loop

Length – Miles and Time: 3.5 miles total; 2-2.5 hours

Hole-in-the-Rock Loop - 0.7 mi. Double Butte Loop – 2.2 mi. Little Butte Loop - 0.5 mi.

Trailhead Start and End: Hole-In-The-Rock (east side of Galvin Parkway); Double Butte & Little Butte Loops (west side of Galvin Parkway)

Elevation Change: Hole-In-The-Rock 200'; Double Butte & Little Butte Loops 50' each

Travel Directions: Sun Valley Pkwy to Bell Rd to Loop 303 S to I-10 E (Phoenix) to Exit 147 A to AZ-202-Loop. E/AZ-202-Loop E to Exit 4 (52nd St towards Van Buren St)/Keep right onto N 52nd St towards E Van Buren/Turn left on E Van Buren St/ Turn left on N Galvin Parkway/ Turn right to E Papago Park.

Travel Time: 1 hour

Parking: At both trail heads, paved with many available (Do not park at zoo)

Rest Rooms: Available at the Hole-In-The-Rock Trail area