

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

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**Hike Name:** Pinnacle Peak Trail

**Location:** Pinnacle Peak Park, Scottsdale

**Hike Description:** The Sierra Club rates the 150-acre Pinnacle Peak as a moderate hike. The trail has a very smooth tread with a number of ups and downs over the course of the 1.75 mile trail (one way). It is not a loop trail so you come back over the same trail. Hiking this trail will take you to spectacular views of the valley. The park is home to numerous Sonoran Desert native plants and animals. There are numerous rest areas on the trail with wonderful views.

**Rating:** Moderate due to elevation change. The hike from the turn around to the high point on the trail may be challenging depending on your fitness level.

**Type:** In and out

**Trail Names:** Pinnacle Peak Trail

**Length – Miles and Time:** 3.5 miles approximately 2 hours

**Trailhead Start and End:** Pinnacle Peak Trail Parking Lot, Pinnacle Peak Park

**Elevation Change:** 550'

**Travel Directions:** Go North on AZ-303-Loop 22.9 miles to I-17. Merge onto I-17 and go north (toward Flagstaff) 1.5 miles. Take the Carefree Hwy East (Exit 223A) and go east 11.9 miles. Turn right onto N Scottsdale Rd and go south 4 miles. Turn left onto E Dynamite Blvd and go east 4.9 miles. Turn right onto N Alma School Pky and go south 1.2 miles. Turn right onto E Jonas Rd and follow signs to Pinnacle Peak Park. (You can also get there from Loop 101 which is 10 miles closer but will be more congested – go to MapQuest for directions if you wish to go this way.)

**Travel Time:** 50 miles/1 hour 10 minutes by way of Loop 101, 60 miles/1 hour 20 minutes by way of Loop 303/Carefree Hwy/Scottsdale Road.

**Parking:** At the trailhead in Pinnacle Peak Park

**Rest Rooms:** Yes in Pinnacle Peak Park