

Sun City Festival Hiking Club

HIKE DESCRIPTION FORM

Hike Name:

Verrado's "Victory Steps" plus Verrado's Lost Creek trailhead to Skyline Park

Rating:

Moderate - Difficult

Hike Description

There are two hikes: The first one is a hike up a little over 300 steps made of railroad ties. (Residents of Victory at Verrado, a 55 and over community like ours, use these steps as part of their fitness regime). The views from the top are spectacular!! Then we will hike about a mile loop over rocky, interesting terrain and end up back at your cars. From there, we will drive a couple miles down the street to the Lost Creek Trailhead. This trail takes you into Skyline Park from Verrado (east side approach), something different than the same old main Skyline trails!

This trail starts out flat and then gradually ascends to the top of Skyline Crest Trail. We will then take a left and return to the trailhead via the Skyline Crest and Quartz Mine trails for a total of 5.8 miles.

Trail Names:

Victory Steps Loop and Lost Creek/Skyline Crest/Quartz Mine trails

Type:

Two-part hike, both are loops

Length – Miles and Time:

6.8 total with a 15-minute driving break between the first and second parts.

Trailhead Start and End:

Start at Victory Steps, end at Lost Creek Trailhead

Elevation Change:

None

Travel Directions:

303 south. Exit Indian School Road. Turn right and travel west all the way to the end at Verrado Blvd. Turn right and see parking lot on your left next to "Road Closed" sign. Park there for Part 1 hike. Trailhead is just beyond that sign. After Part 1, drive south down Verrado Blvd about 1.5 miles through the little town. Turn right onto Lost Creek Dr. Take this to the end where there is a big parking lot.

Travel Time:

40 Minutes

Parking:

Yes

Rest Rooms:

Yes