



Name of Trial Loop: San Francisco Peaks Loop

Passage and location: San Francisco Peaks Passage 34; Schultz Pass to Snowbowl Parking area with northern part in Kachina Peaks Wilderness

Length of loop trail: 20.7 miles

Loop trail description: From Schultz Pass parking lot, cross road heading north on the Arizona Trail/Weatherford Trail #102. In 0.1 mile, the Arizona Trail turns left/west; at this junction, continue north on the Weatherford Trail in order to go counterclockwise. In 1.6 miles turn left/west onto the Kachina Trail. The Kachina Peaks Wilderness Boundary is about a third mile after this past trail junction. Continue on the Kachina Trail going through meadows and an Aspen lined trail. After 5 miles, the Kachina Trail leaves the Wilderness, then almost touches the Snow Bowl Road continuing north to Humphreys Trailhead after crossing Snowbowl Road. At the end north end of the dirt parking lot turn left/southwest to get to the Aspen Loop Trail. It's possible to go on the northern or southern portions of the Aspen Loop Trail; both intersect the Arizona Trail. At the Arizona Trail, turn left/south. In about a half mile there is an old road/trail leading west about 200 meters to Alfa Fia Tank, which usually has good water. Continue south on the Arizona Trail for after another 4.8 miles the AZT crosses the Snowbowl Road again. Heading southeasterly there are a number of trail junctions, roads and fences in the next 3.3 miles until Old Weatherford Road is reached. In another 0.9 mile there is the Arizona Trail Urban/Resupply Trail that turns to the right/southeast onto Passage 32 reaching FR 420 in 0.3 mile. However, continue towards the left on the Arizona Trail reaching the Weatherford Trail in 2.8 miles. Turn right, cross the road back into the Schultz Pass parking lot.

Recommended seasons of use: Late Spring, Summer, early Fall

Elevation Start: 8,020'

Elevation Gain/Loss: 2,430

Access point: Schultz Pass parking lot on FR 420 north of Flagstaff

Water: Alfa Fia tank about 0.25 mile west of trail is the only fairly reliable source of water on this loop. For up to date details on water sources please visit the Arizona Trail Water sources at <https://aztrail.org/explore/water-sources/> and even use the Arizona Trail App <https://aztrail.org/explore/maps/mobile-app/> which has user comments about the status of water sources.

Notes/Warnings: Mountain Bikes are not allowed in the Kachina Peak Wilderness. For specific turn by turn information on the Arizona Trail visit the Arizona Trail databook <https://aztrail.org/explore/databooks/> and even use the Arizona Trail App <https://aztrail.org/explore/maps/mobile-app/>

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