



Name of Trail Loop: Colossal Cave—Pistol Hill Loop

Passage and location: Rincon Valley Passage 8; Colossal Cave Mountain Park

Length of loop trail: 6.5 miles

Loop trail description: Head northeast from La Sevilla Picnic area on the Arizona Trail. After 1.7 miles there is an old jeep road heading westerly; this will be the return route of the loop. Continue on the Arizona Trail for another 0.7 mile, then turn west onto a jeep road. Turn left again in less than a tenth mile onto S. Pistol Hill Road heading southwest for a mile (trail paralleling the road on the left/south side). Take the old jeep road heading southeast then northeast back to the Arizona Trail in 1.4 miles. Turn right onto the Arizona Trail, heading back to La Sevilla Picnic area.

Recommended seasons of use: Spring, Fall, Winter

Elevation Start: 3,542'

Elevation Gain/Loss: 551'

Access point: From east 22nd Street in Tucson, turn south onto scenic Old Spanish Trail and follow it about 17 miles to Colossal Cave Mountain Park. Or, take I-10 east from Tucson to exit 279 (the Vail/Wentworth exit), turn north, and follow the signs for Colossal Cave Mountain Park for about 7 miles.

Water: Water at picnic area; none along trail. 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: There is a fee to enter the Park. Pistol Hill Road can be dusty. 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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