

2019-20 C HIKE SCHEDULE FOR MONDAYS

2019-20 MON	RT DRIVE MILES	LOCATION	AREA	TRAIL	LENGTH & TOTAL ASCENT	DESCRIPTION	RATING
23-Sep	80	Lake Pleasant	Lake Pleasant Regional Park	Beardsley/Morgan City Wash Loop	6.7 mi/700 ft	A nice lollipop loop through Morgan city Wash.	C
30-Sep	54	West Valley	Dog Bone Biking Area	Highways & Byways Loop from Joe Fosse TH	7.1 mi, 500 ft	A nice loop hike from the far south end of the Dog Bone area.	C
7-Oct	110	Scottsdale	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	Granite Mountain Loop	7.1 mi, 500 ft	A very nice hike through "forests" of giant Saguaros, yuccas, and Ocotillo. There are excellent rock formations. And there is a double crested Saguaro and a second crested Saguaro on the trail.	C
14-Oct	134	Apache Junction	Superstition Mountains	Peralta Trail	6 mi, 1500 ft.	Rugged mountains, great view of Weaver's Needle. We will go out to the pinion to have lunch. A side hike along Cave Trail can be equally rewarding. Bring your camera.	C+
21-Oct	26	West Valley	Buckeye - Skyline Park	Mountain Wash + Turnbuckle + Granite Falls + Chuck Walla	7 mi, 1200 ft	A nice loop with the main climb at the beginning. Good views from the high points on the hike.	C
10/28/2019 NEW	110	I-17 North	Sunset Point	Canyon opposite Sunset Point	6-7 mi/1000 ft	An interesting, but challenging hike from Sunset Point down to the Agua Fria River with many interesting rock formations.	C+
4-Nov	24	West Valley	Estrella Foothills Park	Elliott TH Loop #1	7.0 mi/700 ft	A nice loop hike that gets close to the County park. There is about 200 yards of light bushwhack to connect the trail coming back (an open route but no actual trail).	C
11-Nov	60	Phoenix	South Mtn	Holbert (out and back)	5.7 mi, 1300 ft.	A steady uphill climb to Dobbins lookout and excellent view (on a clear day) of the "Valley of the Sun" from a pleasantly refreshing, cool stone ramada. Bring your camera., where we will have lunch.	B
18-Nov	18	West Valley	Verrado	Lost Creek/Old Road/Tortuga/Javalina	7 mi, 1200 ft	A hike around then up to the top of the mountain to the south of the Verrado trailhead.	C+
25-Nov	94	Cave Creek	Cave Creek	Overton, Go John, Quartz Loop - Michelin Man	8.2 mi, 1150 ft.	Figure 8 hike. A nice desert hike. Bring lots of water.	C
2-Dec	26	West Valley	Estrella Mtn Regional Park	Competitive track Long Loop	9 mi, 700 ft	This is a hike on the bike trail that goes past Grandpa, the 4 th largest Saguaro.	C
9-Dec	100	East Side	Usery Mtn Park	Hawes Loop Trail	8 mi, 1000 ft	Views of Granite Reef Dam, a green valley, 4 Peaks, lots of Saguaro cactus, an old mine, & upscale custom homes	C
16-Dec	30	West Valley	White Tanks	Ford Canyon to the abandoned dam.	7.6 mi, 1100 ft	A nice canyon hike with some boulder scrambling	C+
23-Dec	74	Lake Pleasant	Castle Hot Springs Road	Chalky Spring + Slot Canyon	6.0 mi/500 ft	A hike past a wet spring and riparian area and then a slot canyon.	C
12/30/2019 NEW	100	Scottsdale	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	Quartz Trail	7-8 mi, 1000 ft	A nice hike up to an outcropping of Quartz.	C
6-Jan	160	Wickenburg	Hwy 93	Joshua Tree North Monolith Loop	6 mi/800 ft	An interesting hike to the saddle (or top) of the Shiprock monolith. There are some Saguaro/Joshua Trees growing close together.	C+
13-Jan	110	I-17 North	Black Canyon Trail	Black Canyon City Segment	7 mi/1000 ft	A hike through several small but distinct washes with views of Black Canyon City. There are an unusual number of Saguaros under 4 ft tall.	C
20-Jan	114	Goldfield Mountains	Goldfield Mountains	Trails 4 A&D Arches	7.8 mi/800 ft	This is a nice hike where you see three natural arches and a panoramic view of the Superstition Mountains and the old West Goldfield town.	C
27-Jan	68	101 North	Phoenix Sonoran Preserve (S)	Dixie Mountain Loop	4.6-7.6 mi, 800-1500 ft	A nice loop hike with two optional short hikes to the top of two peaks. Great views of surrounding areas. Good wildflowers after good winter rains.	C
3-Feb	93	I-10 West	Big Horn Mountain Wilderness	Big Horn Mtn Wilderness Wash	7 mi, 500 ft	An interesting hike in a wilderness West of Buckeye. There is a red rock wall and a white topped mtn. And there is an arch along the trail.	C
10-Feb	50	West Valley	Dog Bone Biking Area	Lot's Wife Loop from Joe Fosse TH	7 mi, 600 ft	A loop hike through some interesting rock formations with an overlook of a rock quarry.	C
2/17/2019 NEW	160	East Side	Picketpost trailhead	Arnett Canyon	6-7 mi/800 ft	A great hike near Picket Post Mountain. Arnett Canyon has a running creek (most of the year) with many Cottonwood trees. We cross the creek a couple of times each way. There are also great rock formations. This could be a very colorful hike in the fall.	C
24-Feb	20	West Valley	Estrella Mtn Regional Park	Quail/ Rainbow Valley/ Dysart/ Toothaker Loop	6.5M/750 ft	An interesting hike from the nature center	C
2-Mar	120	Cave Creek	Carefree	Blue Wash/Camp Creek Falls	7 mi, 900 ft	An interesting hike along a wash with a couple of waterfalls to navigate - one dry and one wet. The area above the wet waterfalls has some nice vegetation. We also go through two other side washes.	C
3/9/2019 NEW	230	Prescott	Granite Dells	Storm Trails Loop I	7 mi/700 ft	An interesting hike among the boulders of the Granite Dells. The trails are marked with paint on the rocks. Lots of great views of the Granite Dells area.	C
10-Mar	210	Prescott	Prescott	Lynx Lake + Salidas Gulch Loop	7 mi, 900 ft	A nice hike in the trees with expansive views of Prescott and Lynx Lake.	C+
16-Mar	86	Lake Pleasant	Hwy 74	BLM LP2 to Canyon	8-9 mi, 900-100 ft	A nice hike through the desert to an interesting tight canyon.	C+/B
23-Mar	TBD	OVERNIGHT HIKE	Chiricahuas	3/23/20-3/25/20	TBD		D/C/B
30-Mar	106	Scottsdale	McDowell Sonoran Preserve	Marcus Landslide & Rock trails	7.5 mi, 1100 ft.	An interesting hiking to an ancient landslide area and past a boulder mountain	C
6-Apr	26	West Valley	Estrella Foothills Park	Queen Anne's Revenger Loop	7 mi/700 ft	A nice nearby hike on a series of bike trails.	C
13-Apr	90	I-17 North	Anthem	Maricopa Trail - Fathers Day trail loop	6 mi, 1300 ft	A hike along the Maricopa Trail in Anthem which goes up towards Apache Peak, making a loop. Nice views to the south towards Phoenix.	C
4/20/2019 NEW	210	Prescott	Iron Springs Trailhead	Iron Springs Loop	8 mi/600 ft	A great hike in the pines and granite rocks/boulders of Prescott.	C
27-Apr	18	West Valley	Verrado	Dead Head Pass Loop	7.5 mi, 1100 ft	A hike to an interesting canyon. Good wildflowers, including Poppies, in the spring.	C