

COTTONWOOD 5-8-20

Trail maps for various segments in Cottonwood

<https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Trail-Maps/Cottonwood/i-843jtJH>

Dead Horse Ranch Loop (Lower Raptor Hill/Thumper/Lime Kiln Loop)

(Cottonwood). Rating C/B. This is a loop hike of 8-9 miles with an elevation gain of 800-900 ft. There are great views of Cottonwood and Jerome. You pass many interesting rock formations and a pond. Restrooms are at the trailhead. Park fee is \$7/car. Driving distance is 236 RT.

<https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Cottonwood/Dead-Horse-State-Park>

Directions to Cottonwood – Dead Horse Ranch State Park

Take 303 North to I-17.

Turn north on I-17.

Take exit #287 to Cottonwood.

Turn left on 89A in Cottonwood.

Stay on Main St (right) as 89A goes left.

Turn right on N 10th St.

Bear right on **Dead Horse** Ranch Rd.

Turn right on Owl Rd.

Restrooms at the park...\$7/car admission.

Parson's Trail #144 (Cottonwood). Rating C/B. This is an 8-10 mile in and out hike with an elevation gain of 800-1100 ft. Parson's Spring and Summer Spring provide enough water to have a running creek year round. There are 6 creek crossings (boulder hops). There would be great falls colors due to the abundance of deciduous trees along the creek. There is lots of great scenery along the trail. Trail condition - the first quarter mile is a steep stair like descent, then the trail is good with the 6 boulder hopping crossings. No restrooms and no park fee. Driving distance is approx 110 miles RT.

<http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/Cottonwood/Parsons-Trail>

Directions to Cottonwood - Parson's Trail

Take 303 North to I-17.

Turn north on I-17.

Take exit #287 to Cottonwood.

Turn left on 89A in Cottonwood.

Stay on Main St (right) as 89A goes left.

Turn right on Tuzigoot Road (towards the Tuzigoot Monument).

Turn left on Sycamore Canyon road (just past the river).

Drive 11 miles to trailhead at the end of the road.

No restrooms. Trail immediately drops down to creek.