

THURSDAY D HIKES FOR SEPT & OCT

9/26/19

Rainbow, Baseline, Quail Loop. (Estrella Mountain Reg Park) Loop hike with typical desert scenery. 4.1 miles, 400' elevation gain. Restrooms at the trailhead. Park fee is \$7. Driving distance RT is 20 miles.

10/3/19

Ford Canyon View (White Tank Mountains). Rating D, 4 mi out & back on the same trail with an elevation gain of about 500 ft. This is a scenic hike to a point with views of the white rocks in Ford Canyon. There are restrooms at trailhead. Park fee is \$7.00 per vehicle. Driving distance is 30 miles RT. [SCG=6.7/1300/3.6].

<http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/WhiteTankMountainRegionalPark/Ford-Canyon-Mesquite>

10/10/19

Maricopa Trail from Northern Ave. Rating D

This is a 4-5 mile out and back hike with >200' of elevation gain and good trail conditions. Trail parallels the White Tank Mountains toward Verrado. Park on the south side of Northern Ave just across the Beardsley Canal. Trail starts just west of parking area. No rest rooms; no park fee. Driving distance 22 miles est.

10/17/19

Mule Deer/Black Rock/Waterfall Trails (White Tanks). Rating D. This is a 4+ mile hike with an elevation gain of 400 ft. The hike starts on the Mule Deer trail at Ramada 3 and goes through typical desert along a good trail to a hidden waterfall (usually dry). Restrooms are at the trailhead. Park fee is \$7.00. Driving distance is 30 miles RT. [SCG=4.5/600/2.4]

10/24/19

Mountain Wash, Lost Creek, Turnbuckle loop (Skyline Reg Park). Rating D+. This is a 4.4 mile hike with an elevation gain of 560 feet. Climbs up Mountain Wash and follows Lost Creek for a short distance to Turnbuckle, and loops back down to the trailhead. No park fee. Restrooms at the trailhead. Driving distance is 30 miles RT

10/31/19

Estrella Foothills Option 2. This D hike is 4.1 miles with 450 feet of elevation gain. Pirate Cove trail, Giddy Up, What's Up and Coyote Trails. Beautiful views of Estrella Lakes. Driving distance is 20 miles RT.

