

PHOENIX MOUNTAINS PRESERVE

200/202/8A/100/1A/304 Loop (Piestewa Peak). Rating C. This is a 6 mile loop hike with an elevation gain of 1100 ft. This hike goes up and around the peaks to the East of Piestewa Peak in that park. It provides views of Piestewa Peak as well as Scottsdale, Paradise Valley and downtown Phoenix. It passes through an interesting quartz field. 202 gives you an option of going around a mountain or up through a saddle. No park fee. Restrooms and water are at the trailhead. Driving distance is 66 miles RT.

<http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/Circumference-Summit>

Directions to Piestewa Peak Trailheads

Take I-10 East.

Exit onto Piestewa Peak Freeway (SR 51) north (right, exit 147)

Turn right on Lincoln Drive/Glendale Road (exit 5).

Turn left on Squaw Peak Drive (2nd stop light).

Drive to the end of the road (Apache Ramada).

The trails begin here. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Circumference Trail # 302 (Piestewa Peak Rec Area). Rating C+. A 4.7 mi. loop with an elevation gain of 1240 ft. We will hike this moderate, multi-use trail counter clockwise with sun on one side and shade on the other. The trail varies with flat, gentle and steep climbs around Piestewa Peak. We will hike to the saddle level-not the peak. The downhill side will have heavy use with people walking, jogging or running up to Piestewa Peak. Trail condition – most of the trail is an average hiking trail, but there are 3 steep climbs. Restrooms are at trailhead. There are no park fees. Driving distance is approx. 66 miles RT. This trail is also called the Freedom Trail.

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The trails begin here. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Circumference + Piestewa Peak Summit Trails (Piestewa Peak Rec Area). Rating B. A 5.7 mi loop hike with an elevation gain of 1940 ft. We will hike this moderate, multi-use trail counter clockwise with sun on one side and shade on the other. The trail varies with flat, gentle and steep climbs around Piestewa Peak. We will hike to the saddle level then turn to the left and climb the additional .6 mile to the summit. The downhill side will have heavy use with people walking, jogging or running up to Piestewa Peak. A good lunch can be had by all at the Fish Market 16th St & Camelback. Carpool accordingly. Carpool I-10 E HOV, move to center lanes in vicinity of 7th Street to go north on HWY 51. Take Glendale exit east which turns to Lincoln Drive. Turn left at Piestewa Peak Drive into park and follow it to the end parking lot. Restrooms are at trailhead. There are no park fees. Driving distance is approx 66 miles RT.

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Drive to the end of the road (Apache Ramada).
The trails begin here. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Dreamy Draw Loop (Phoenix Mountain Preserve). Rating D. This is a loop hike of 4 mi. with an elevation gain of about 400 ft. We start out on #220 and then make a clockwise loop around several hills, providing views of many of the Valley's mountains. We will return via trail #100. Restrooms & water are at the Dreamy Draw trailhead. There is no park fee. Driving distance is 55 miles RT. <http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/Dreamy-Draw>

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead

Take I-10 East to Rt. 51.
Drive north on Rt. 51 and exit at Northern Ave.
Turn right (east) on Northern Ave. and proceed to the trailhead.
No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead - Alternate I

Take 101 North to I-17 South (right).
Take Northern Ave and turn East (left).
Proceed to the trailhead.
No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead - Alternate II

Take 101 North to Rt 51 South (right).
Exit at Northern Ave and turn east (left).
Proceed to the trailhead.
No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Dreamy Draw 1-A Loop (Phoenix Mountain Preserve). Rating C+. This is a loop hike of 6.9 mi. with an elevation change of 1380 ft. We start out heading south and go up over a ridge and down into a valley. The Trail has 3 main hills to climb and offers several viewpoints of the Phoenix area. There are also several quartz outcroppings and many interesting rock formations. Trail condition - an average hiking trail. Restrooms & water are at the Dreamy Draw trailhead. There is no park fee. Driving distance is 55 miles RT.

<https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/Dreamy-Draw>

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead

Take I-10 East to Rt. 51.
Drive north on Rt. 51 and exit at Northern Ave.
Turn right (east) on Northern Ave. and proceed to the trailhead.
No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead - Alternate I

Take 101 North to I-17 South (right).
Take Northern Ave and turn East (left).
Proceed to the trailhead.
No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead - Alternate II

Take 101 North to Rt 51 South (right).
Exit at Northern Ave and turn east (left).

Proceed to the trailhead.

No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Dreamy Draw Loop 2 (Phoenix Mountain Preserve). Rating C. This is a loop hike of 6.5 mi. with an elevation change of 800 ft. We start out heading south and go up over a ridge and down into a valley. The route then heads north and goes to several viewpoints of the Phoenix area. There are also some quartz outcroppings and many interesting rock formations. Trail condition - an average hiking trail. Restrooms & water are at the Dreamy Draw trailhead. There is no park fee. Driving distance is 55 miles RT.

<https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/Dreamy-Draw>

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead

Take I-10 East to Rt. 51.

Drive north on Rt. 51 and exit at Northern Ave.

Turn right (east) on Northern Ave. and proceed to the trailhead.

No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead - Alternate I

Take 101 North to I-17 South (right).

Take Northern Ave and turn East (left).

Proceed to the trailhead.

No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead - Alternate II

Take 101 North to Rt 51 South (right).

Exit at Northern Ave and turn east (left).

Proceed to the trailhead.

No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Dreamy Draw 6 Peaks (Phoenix Mountain Preserve). Rating C+. This is a loop hike of 6-7 mi. with an elevation change of 1100 ft. We start out on #220 and then go on an unnumbered trail up a series of little peaks along the North side of the park, providing views of many of the Valley's mountains. Once we come down the far side we proceed to the Cholla Lane trailhead where we will take our break (there are restrooms & water at this trailhead). We will then return via trail #100, switching to trail 1A for the final 2 miles. Trail Condition – Average hiking trail, somewhat steep going up the 6 peaks. Restrooms & water are at the Dreamy Draw trailhead. There is no park fee. Driving distance is 55 miles RT.

<http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/Dreamy-Draw>

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead

Take I-10 East to Rt. 51.

Drive north on Rt. 51 and exit at Northern Ave.

Turn right (east) on Northern Ave. and proceed to the trailhead.

No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead - Alternate I

Take 101 North to I-17 South (right).

Take Northern Ave and turn East (left).

Proceed to the trailhead.

No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead - Alternate II

Take 101 North to Rt 51 South (right).

Exit at Northern Ave and turn east (left).

Proceed to the trailhead.

No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Dreamy Draw #100 West across Hwy 51 (North Mountain Preserve). Rating C. This is a 6.2 mile hike with an elevation change of 900 ft. This hike has different views of downtown Phoenix as well as North Mountain, Shaw Butte and Lookout Mountain. The hike goes under Highway 51 shortly after leaving the trailhead. Restrooms at the trailhead. No park fee. Driving distance is 55 miles RT.<https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/Dreamy-Draw>

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead

Take I-10 East to Rt. 51.

Drive north on Rt. 51 and exit at Northern Ave.

Turn right (east) on Northern Ave. and proceed to the trailhead.

No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead - Alternate I

Take 101 North to I-17 South (right).

Take Northern Ave and turn East (left).

Proceed to the trailhead.

No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Directions to Dreamy Draw Trailhead - Alternate II

Take 101 North to Rt 51 South (right).

Exit at Northern Ave and turn east (left).

Proceed to the trailhead.

No Park fee. Restrooms are at the trailhead.

Lookout Mountain + Shadow Mountain.Circumference Trails + summit (North Mountain Preserve).Rating C+. This is 2 hikes - a 2.8 mile loop around Shadow Mountain and a 3.2 mile hike around and up Lookout mountain, both in the north Phoenix area. It has elevation gains of 300 & 800 ft. The trail around Shadow Mountain goes past a mega church. The circumference trail around Lookout Mountain (#308) is an easy to moderate trail, with the summit trail (#150) being fairly steep. The Summit trail is one of the hikes of the Seven Summits of Phoenix Challenge that takes place every year in November. Trail condition - average hiking trail, but steep going to top of Lookout Mountain. Water and restrooms are at the Lookout Mountain Park trailhead off 18th St. There is no park fee. Driving distance is approx 76 miles RT. [SCG=3.5/1100/2.7].<https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/Papago-Lookout-Mt-Trails>

Directions to Shadow Mountain Trailhead

Take 101 North

Take I-17 South (right)

Turn left on Greenway off

Turn right on Cave Creek Road

Turn left on E Claire Drive

Turn right on E Acoma Drive

Trailhead at the curve (street parking)

There is no park fee.

No restrooms at the trailhead.

Direction Shadow Mountain Trailhead to Lookout Mountain

Go north on E Acoma drive

Turn left on E Claire Drive

Turn left on Cave Creek Road

Turn right on E Sharon Drive

Turn right on 18th st

Trailhead is t the end of the street

There is no park fee.

Restrooms are at the trailhead

Directions Lookout Mountain back to PebbleCreek

Go south on 18th St

Turn left on E Sharon drive

Turn right on Cave Creek Road

Turn right on Thunderbird

Turn left on I-17 to I-10

Go west on I-10 back to Pebble Creek

Directions Lookout Mountain back to PebbleCreek - Alternate

Head North on 16th St

Turn left onto Greenway Road

Turn right onto 7th St

Take 101 West

North Mountain Trail (North Mountain Park). Rating C. This is a 1.6 mile hike with an elevation gain of 700 ft. This is one of the hikes of the Seven Summits of Phoenix Challenge that takes place every year in November. This is a short steep hike mostly on a paved road. It offers good views of the surrounding area. Restrooms in the parking area. No park fee. Driving distance is 54 miles RT.<https://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/North-Mtn-Shaw-Butte>

Directions to Shaw Butte, Trail #306

Access trailhead at 7th Street (across street from Point Hilton Resort).

Take I-10 east to I-17 North.

Take Thunderbird Road East off of I-17 North

Turn right onto 7th St.

Parking at North Mountain Visitor Center on right, just past shopping center.

Restrooms are at trailhead. There is no park fee.

Directions to Shaw Butte, Trail #306 - Alternate

Access trailhead at 7th Street (across street from Point Hilton Resort).

Take Loop101 North to I-17 South.

Take Thunderbird Road East (left) off of I-17.

Turn right onto 7th St.

Parking at North Mountain Visitor Center on right, just past shopping center.

Restrooms are at trailhead. There is no park fee.

Directions North Mountain back to PebbleCreek

Turn right out of parking lot onto 7th St.

Turn right on Dunlap Ave.

Take I-17 South.

Take I-10 West.

North Mountain/Shaw Butte Divide (North Mountain Park). Rating D. This is a 4 mile semi-loop hike with an elevation gain of 300. Start out that the North Mountain Visitor's Center and go right on Trail 100 and follow the signs to another trailhead across the valley, going between North Mountain and Shaw Butte. After taking a snack break, return via the alternative trail marked on the map, turning right when trail 100 goes sharply to the right. Restrooms are at the trailhead. There is no park fee. Driving distance is approx 54 miles RT.

<http://pchikingclub.smugmug.com/PhoenixMountainsPreserve/North-Mtn-Shaw-Butte>

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Take I-10 east to I-17 North.

Take Thunderbird Road East off of I-17 North

Turn right onto 7th St.

Parking at North Mountain Visitor Center on right, just past shopping center.

Restrooms are at trailhead. There is no park fee.

Directions to Shaw Butte, Trail #306 - Alternate

Access trailhead at 7th Street (across street from Point Hilton Resort).

Take Loop101 North to I-17 South.

Take Thunderbird Road East (left) off of I-17.

Turn right onto 7th St.

Parking at North Mountain Visitor Center on right, just past shopping center.

Restrooms are at trailhead. There is no park fee.

Directions North Mountain back to PebbleCreek

Turn right out of parking lot onto 7th St.

Turn right on Dunlap Ave.

Take I-17 South.

Take I-10 West.