

HIKING TRAILS



CORONADO PEAK TRAIL



0.4 miles one way; Elevations: 6575 feet to 6864 feet. Trail begins at Montezuma Pass. Quotations from the journals of Coronado's captains, posted at scenic overlooks along the trail, provide a glimpse into the minds and hearts of the conquistadors as they trekked northward along the San Pedro River. From Coronado Peak one is overwhelmed by the beauty of the San Pedro and San Rafael Valleys and the panoramic views of the desert grasslands.

CORONADO CAVE TRAIL



0.75 miles one way; Elevations: 5230 feet to 5700 feet. Starting from the west end of the Visitor Center parking area, this steep and rocky trail requires careful footing as one climbs along the limestone ridge to Coronado Cave. Entrance to the 600-foot long cave is unimproved and difficult. Small children and mobility-impaired individuals may require extra assistance. For your safety, wear sturdy hiking shoes, appropriate clothing and carry at least one flashlight per person or two if traveling alone. No candles, flares, or lanterns. You must obtain a free permit from the visitor center.

JOE'S CANYON TRAIL



3.1 miles one way; Elevations: 5230 feet to 6575 feet. The trailhead is 500 feet west of the Visitor Center on Montezuma Canyon Road at the picnic area turnoff. The trail climbs about 1000 feet in the first mile with scenic views of Montezuma Canyon and the San Pedro River Valley. After reaching the saddle at the top of Smuggler's Ridge, the trail continues westward with southerly views deep into the grasslands of Sonora, Mexico. Passing along the northeastern side of Coronado Peak, it joins with the Coronado Peak Trail and Montezuma Pass parking area.

YAQUI RIDGE TRAIL



1.0 miles one way; Elevations: 6500 feet to 5925 feet. The Yaqui Ridge Trail descends steeply from Joe's Canyon Trail down to International Boundary Marker 102 located at the southwestern corner of the park. This trail is the southernmost section of the Arizona Trail. Please do not cross over fence into Mexico and remember what goes down must come back up.

CREST TRAIL



5.3 miles one way to Miller Peak; Elevations: 6575 feet to 9456 feet at Miller Peak. The trailhead is across the road at the northeast end of the Montezuma Pass parking area. The trail climbs for 2 miles to the northwestern boundary of the Memorial. There it enters Coronado National Forest and continues along the crest of the Huachuca Mountains to the turnoff for Miller Peak, the highest peak in the Huachucas.

ARIZONA TRAIL



The Arizona Trail is a 790-mile, border-to-border route between Mexico and Utah. Beginning as the Yaqui Ridge Trail in Coronado National Memorial at marker 102 on the Mexican border, it joins the upper portion of the Joe's Canyon Trail, then the lower portion of the Coronado Peak Trail, crosses the Montezuma Pass parking area and connects with the Crest Trail, before leaving the park and ultimately ending at the Utah border. Overnight parking permits are required for vehicles parked at Montezuma Pass and can be obtained in person at the visitor center or by calling the park.

GENERAL INFORMATION



The Memorial is open for day use only, therefore camping is not allowed and fires are permitted only in grills in the picnic area. Hunting, woodcutting, and gathering of minerals and vegetation are prohibited. Horses and dogs are not permitted on any trails except the Crest Trail when owners are continuing into the Forest Service Miller Peak Wilderness Area. Pets should never be left unattended in vehicles. Bicycles and motorized vehicles are restricted to developed roads only. For your safety never enter abandoned mines. Mild temperatures and low humidity provide pleasant hiking in all seasons but always carry plenty of water and protect yourself from the sun. For more information stop by the visitor center; or write: Coronado National Memorial 4101 E. Montezuma Canyon Road; call: 520-366-5515, ext. 23; or Internet: www.nps.gov/coro

