Coronado

National Memorial



Hiking Trails

CORONADO CAVE TRAIL (No Pets on trail OR in cave)

1 mile round-trip

Difficulty: Moderate

Elevation Change: 500 feet

The cave parking lot and trailhead is 0.25 miles west of the visitor center. The cave entrance is a 0.5 mile hike from the trailhead. Entering the cave requires scrambling down a steep, rocky slope. The cave itself extends 600 feet in length and has 20 foot high ceilings. Two flashlights/headlamps per person is recommended. Please do not touch cave walls or cave formations.

CORONADO PEAK TRAIL (No Pets)

o.8 miles round-trip

Difficulty: Easy

Elevation Change: 300 feet

This interpretive trail climbs from the trailhead at Montezuma Pass to Coronado Peak. Sweeping views of Sonora, Mexico and the San Pedro River and San Rafael Valleys can be enjoyed while resting on the benches under a shade ramada.

JOE'S CANYON TRAIL (No Pets)

6.2 miles round-trip

Difficulty: Moderate/Difficult

Elevation Change: 1300 feet

The trailhead is across the road at the west end of the visitor center parking area. The trail climbs 1000 feet in the first mile with scenic views of Montezuma Canyon and the San Pedro River Valley. After reaching the saddle of Smuggler's Ridge, continue for views into the grasslands of Sonora, Mexico. The trail can also be done in reverse starting at Montezuma Pass via the Coronado Peak Trail.

YAQUI RIDGE TRAIL (No Pets)

2 miles round-trip

Difficulty: Difficult

Elevation Change: 600 feet

A spur from the Joe's Canyon Trail, the trail descends steeply to the US/Mexico border. Here you can view International Boundary Marker 102. This trail marks the southern terminus of the Arizona National Scenic Trail, an 800+ mile trail that extends from Mexico to Utah. It is against the law to cross over the fence into Mexico.

CREST TRAIL (Pets allowed on leash)

4 miles round-trip inside park

Difficulty: Difficult

Elevation Change: 4000 feet to Miller

(10.6 miles round-trip to Miller Peak)

The trailhead begins at the northeast end of Montezuma Pass parking area and climbs for 2 miles to the northwestern park boundary where it enters the Miller Peak Wilderness Area. It continues along the crest of the Huachuca Mountains to the turnoff for Miller Peak, the highest peak in the range.

WINDMILL TRAIL (No Pets)

2 miles round-trip

Difficulty: Easy / Moderate

Elevation Change: Approx. 200 feet

The trailhead is located about 1 mile east of the visitor center. Park on north side of park road near fire danger indicator sign. Once a two-track ranch road, the Windmill Trail provides access to the grasslands region of the park. The trail visits an historic windmill and corral before gently ascending into the foothills below Montezuma Peak. This trail also provides access to grassland habitat birding opportunities.

NOTE:

Pets are allowed on leash ONLY on the Crest Trail and the Desert Nature Walk.

Please do not harm or disturb any plants or animals, as federal law protects all flora and fauna found in the park.

Wood gathering and hunting are not permitted within the park.