

# Cave Creek Regional Park



- 🕂 Picnic Area
- Horse Staging Area
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Locked Vehicle Gate

Permit required for trust land

Maricopa Trail\* (Includes

OV and west side of GJ)

Park Trail\*

Trailhead

Access Gate

Trail Outside Park

\*Trail color varies by name.

S\_ For horse outfitter use

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Trail	Trail	Length		Use	Rating	Elev	Diff
Code	Name	Mi	(Km)		-	Ft	М
CM	Clay Mine	1.5	(2.4)	M,H/B <sup>†</sup>		300	91
FR	Flat Rock	0.5	(0.8)	Μ	•	152	46
FL	Flume	2.3	(3.7)	Μ		180	55
GJ	Go John	5.8*	(9.3)*	Μ	$\diamond$	411	125
JS	Jasper	0.2	(0.3)	Μ		64	20
OV	Overton	2.1	(3.3)	Μ		408	124
QZ	Quartz	1.4	(2.3)	Μ		300	91
SL	Slate	1.6	(2.5)	М	•	88	27
	Rating		Use				
Easy M = Multiple Use (all non-							
Moderate motorized access							
Moderate - Difficult <i>allowed</i> )							
H/B = Hike/Bike Only							

- Lengths shown are one-way unless indicated by \* for round trip distance.
- Lengths on map are for segments between trail junctions (•), or junction and trailhead.
- Due to rounding, segment lengths on map may not add up to trail lengths shown at left
- Elev is difference in elevation between low and high points, which *may or may not* match end points of trail. Gross change may be greater.
- <sup>†</sup>CM trail west of mine is Hike/Bike Only.



Welcome to Cave Creek Regional Park

Cave Creek Regional Park was dedicated on October 31, 1992. This 2,922acre park is located within the Town of Cave Creek, 1.5 miles north of Carefree Highway on 32<sup>nd</sup> Street.

The landscape offers interesting geological formations, scenic views, and Sonoran Desert flora and fauna. Elevations range from a low point in the southeast corner of the park at 2,000 feet to 3,060 feet near the center.

Ancient Hohokam Indians stayed in the area from around 800 A.D. until 1400 A.D. Many reminders of their living in the area still remain. The park is located in the southwest corner of an area that was the scene of mining exploration and development for over 120 years. Irrigated farming, cattle and sheep ranching were other ventures attempted. All such efforts were marginal at best. Remnants of these abandoned operations are visible.

## Park Rules

**PLEASE OBSERVE PARK RULES!** Park rules are posted throughout the park; they are also available as a handout.

## **Nature Center**

The new **Nature Center**includes the park office, animal exhibits, interpretive displays, educational materials, meeting rooms, and a retail area. It is available for events.

## Picnicking

The **Group Picnic Area** has four large ramadas, each of which can be reserved for a fee. Two of the ramadas have four tables each and each can be reserved for a four-hour period; the other two ramadas have six tables each, and can be reserved. This facility has tables, grills, drinking water, electrical outlets, campfire pits and a nearby playground. These ramadas, if not marked as reserved, are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

The **Day-Use Picnic Area** offers 51 individual picnic sites. Each site has a table and barbecue grill. These sites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Drinking water and restrooms are available.

## Camping

The **Family Campground** consists of 55 developed campsites for tent or RV camping, restrooms with flush toilets and hot-water showers, and a dump station. There is a camping fee per night. Reservations available: https://maricopacountyparks.org Trails

Cave Creek Regional Park offers 16 miles of **trails** for hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding. All trails are shared-use unless otherwise designated. Dogs must be on leash at all times in the Park.

The **Horse Staging Area**, south of the picnic loop, has a large gravel parking lot to accommodate horse trailers. Hitch rails and water are also available.

Note: Travel can be arduous if you are not prepared. Always carry plenty of water, use protection from the sun, and let someone know where you are going. Please enter the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office phone number of **(602) 876-1000** into your cell phone prior to starting a hike. In case of emergency, dial 911.

## Hours of Operation and Contacts

Cave Creek Regional Park is open 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sun - Thurs and 10 p.m. Fri & Sat. A per-vehicle entry fee is required. Please use the self-pay station when the entrance booth is not staffed. For further information please contact the Park Office.

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Interactive Trail Map

