

SEASONAL AZT ITINERARIES



SIERRA VISTA - US/MEXICO BORDER

3.8 miles : out & back

From Montezuma Pass in the Huachuca Mountains hike southbound on the AZT. Stay left at the Coronado Peak Trail junction, then stay right at the Joe's Canyon Trail intersection, and finally stay left at the Yaqui Ridge Trail. This hike takes you to the international border and the AZT's southern terminus. Views of the sky islands of Sonora are incredible.



ORACLE - HIGH JINKS RANCH

3.6 miles : out & back

This short jaunt on the AZT connects two significant historic sites. Begin at the American Flag Trailhead near the old American Flag Ranch (the oldest standing territorial post office) and head southbound/west, crossing a few dirt roads and meandering through oaks and boulders. After 1.8 miles you'll reach High Jinks Ranch, which is on the National Register of Historic Places and once was owned by Buffalo Bill Cody. It's now a hiker's rustic bed and breakfast. Turn around here.



SUPERIOR - ALAMO CANYON 2 0

5 miles: out & back or loop

From Picketpost Trailhead, head south on the AZT for 2.5 miles through colorful volcanic tuff boulders. A side trip into Arnett Canyon is a worthwhile endeavor, where ample shade exists along the riparian corridor. When the trail descends into Alamo Canyon, either hike back to the trailhead through the sandy arroyo or reverse your route along the AZT.



VAIL - RATTLESNAKE MURAL 🛔 🔘 🛞

2.8 miles : out & back

From the Gabe Zimmerman Trailhead take the AZT southbound. You'll overlook a deep canyon to your left, and head toward the highway through creosote and yucca. When you reach the rattlesnake mural, you've made it to your turnaround point. On your way back, enjoy inspiring views of the Rincon Mountains.



VAIL - CIENEGA CREEK 🖁 🔘 🛞



1 mile: out & back

Hike northbound on the AZT from the Gabe Zimmerman Trailhead. Descend into cottonwood-filled Davidson Canyon. At Cienega Creek take a left following the creek bed to a railroad trestle and then turnaround. Spend as much or as little time in the area as you like but be mindful of this precious resource. A permit from Pima County is required to enter Cienega Creek Natural Preserve if you venture off the AZT.

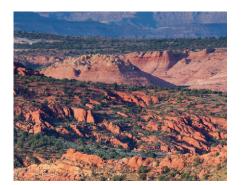


FLAGSTAFF - SANDY SEEP 🚆 🔘 🛞

3 miles : out & back



From the Sandy Seep Trailhead, join the AZT in 0.1-mile. Head west/left along the AZT for 1.4 miles of wildflowers and easy terrain. Turn around at the junction of the Christmas Tree Trail and the Heart Trail.



PAGE - VERMILION CLIFFS VIEW

2 miles : out & back



From the AZT's northern terminus monument at Stateline Campground, follow the AZT south over a few rolling hills and up the steady climb. Enjoy views of the dramatic Vermilion Cliffs to the east. Climb for about 2 miles or until you enter North Larkum Canyon and the piñon-juniper forest obscures the view. Turn around and enjoy the downhill back to the trailhead on the Arizona-Utah border.



KEARNY - GOLDEN SPIKE 🛔 🔘 🛞

5.2 miles : out & back From the Kelvin Access Trailhead, take the AZT northbound (west). For the first 1.3 miles, the trail follows a road, then heads north at the railroad tracks. Enjoy the views of the Gila River below. You'll reach the "golden spike" after 1 mile. This is where the final mile of the AZT was built in 2011. The "DS" on the spike is in memory of Dale Shewalter, the Father of the



FLAGSTAFF - PICTURE CANYON 💈 🔾 🌑

2.8 miles: loop

3.3 miles: loop

From the Picture Canyon Trailhead, take the Tom Moody Trail Loop, which circles 2.8 miles through a natural and cultural preserve and shares 0.5-mile with the AZT. Enjoy canyon vistas, petroglyphs and interpretive sites.



SUMMERHAVEN - MARSHALL PEAK LOOP 💈 🔘 🛞



Enjoy a break from the summer heat on the top of Mount Lemmon. From the Marshall Gulch Trailhead, travel west on the AZT/Marshall Gulch Trail #3 for 1.3 miles. Turn south/left at the trail junction onto the Aspen Trail #93 skirting Marshall Peak on its west and south sides. In 2 miles, you'll be back where you started.



PINE - OAK SPRING 6.8 miles : out & back

From the Pine Trailhead, take the AZT southbound, and be careful crossing Highway 87. Travel 3.4 miles into the wooded Oak Spring Canyon. Enjoy the spring, and double back when you're ready.



TUSAYAN - COCONINO RIM

2 - 4 miles : out & back

From the Grandview Lookout Tower, travel southbound along the AZT, following the Coconino Rim for some amazing views. Set your own turnaround point, depending on available time and energy. If you're not afraid of heights, consider climbing up the Grandview Lookout Tower back at the trailhead. The view into one of the seven natural wonders of the world (without the crowds) is unforgettable.



SIERRA VISTA - MILLER PEAK 9.6 miles : out & back

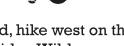


This is perhaps one of the toughest climbs along the AZT, but it can be done in a day hike for an experienced hiker. Beginning at Montezuma Pass, hike northbound on the AZT until the Miller Peak junction. It's 0.5-mile to the summit and this trail enters the Miller Peak Wilderness and provides a beautiful and challenging hike to the highpoint of a sky island.



TUCSON - SYCAMORE RESERVOIR

4.6 miles : out & back



From the Gordon Hirabayashi Trailhead, hike west on the AZT. In about a mile you'll enter the Pusch Ridge Wilderness at Shreve Saddle. Take in the views! Then descend 1.3 miles into Bear Canyon and your destination, Sycamore Reservoir. This reservoir was built to supply water to the Prison Camp once on the site of Gordon Hirabayashi Campground.



TUCSON - HUTCH'S POOL 3 U



Follow the directions above for the itinerary to Sycamore Reservoir. Stay straight onto East Fork Trail #24A passing Trail #99, #22, and #23. In 1.6 miles you'll join West Fork Trail #24 and begin to contour alongside Sabino Creek. Travel 1.5 more miles and cross the creek. Hutch's Pool will be just north of the trail by 0.25-mile. Rest your feet and enjoy the water along small sandy beaches and pools before returning to the Gordon Hirabayashi Trailhead.



JACOB LAKE - EAST RIM VIEW 🔮 🔘 🛞



3 miles : out & back

From the East Rim View parking area, follow the connector trail for 0.3-mile to where it meets the AZT and overlooks the picturesque Saddle Mountain Wilderness and East Rim of Grand Canyon. From here, head southbound/right on the AZT, taking in the views and staying along the top of the rim. After 1.5 miles, the AZT will junction with the North Canyon Trail #4. Turn around here and enjoy the views on your way back.



