

Friday Fall Hikes — 2021

Date	Destination	Meet	Description
Oct 22	Seven Falls	Meet at Sabino Canyon Visitor Center at 8:30.	Bear 29 trail from Visitor Center to trail to Seven Falls in Bear Canyon. Medium difficulty, 8.5 miles with an elevation gain of 750 feet. Allow 4 to 4.5 hours. Some rock hopping if water is high.
Oct 29	Pima Canyon trail to the Dam	Meet at the trailhead at the east end of Magee Road at 8:30.	This is a medium difficulty hike of 6 miles with an elevation gain of 700 feet. Allow 3 to 3.5 hours.
Nov 5	Milagrosa Loop	Meet at McDonald's at Catalina Hwy. and Tanque Verde at 8:30 am to caravan to the trailhead (short drive).	This is a loop, 6.6-mile hike with an elevation gain of 1000 feet. Allow 4 to 5 hours.
Nov 12	Esperero trail to the Ridge	Meet at Sabino Canyon Visitor Center at 8:30.	This is a 7-mile difficult hike with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. Allow 4 to 4.5 hours.
Nov 19	Douglas Spring trail to Bridal Wreath Falls	Meet at Douglas Springs trailhead at the east end of Speedway at 8:30 am.	A 6-mile hike with an elevation gain of about 1000 feet. Medium difficulty. An extra mile will be added to visit Ernie's Falls for those who would like an extra adventure. With luck, there will be some water.
Nov 26	Wasson Peak – King Canyon Trail	For those of you wishing to carpool from the east side, meet at the intersection of Sunrise and Swan, NE side in front of Ace Hardware, by 7:30. If you would rather go to the trailhead on your own, that is fine. We will try to hit the trail by 8:30.	This is a popular trail for wildflower viewing (3.5 miles, one way). The trailhead and parking area for this hike are directly across from the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum on Kinney Road. The final destination will be the top of Wasson Peak, elevation 4,687 feet.
Dec 3	Dove Mountain—Wild Mustang to Wild Burrow Canyon	For those of you wishing to carpool from the east side, meet at the intersection of Sunrise and Swan, NE side in front of Ace Hardware, by 7:30 am. If you would rather go to the trailhead on your own, that's fine. To get to the trailhead, drive west on Ina to Thornydale and turn north, then follow Thornydale to Tangerine and turn west. Follow Tangerine to Dove Mountain, where you turn north. It's another 5 miles on that road to the gatehouse for the Ritz Carlton Resort. Turn right through the gate, and the guard will direct you to the trailhead parking. We plan on starting the hike no later than 8:30.	An approximately 8-mile hike with a 1200 foot elevation change.

Date	Destination	Meet	Description
Dec 10	Pontatoc Ridge trail	Meet at trailhead at the north end of Alvernon at 8:30.	A medium hike of 5 miles with an elevation gain of 1200 feet. Allow 3 to 3.5 hrs.
Dec 17	Blackett's Ridge	Meet at Sabino Canyon Visitor Center at 8:30.	Phoneline trail to Blackett's Ridge trail. A 6.2-mile difficult hike with an elevation gain of 1700 feet. Beautiful views. Allow 3.5 to 4 hours.

About the Friday hikes:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hikes are free and guided, with no reservations required. (Forest Service fees at parking lots will apply.)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All hikes start at 8:30 a.m. for each hike. Most leave from the Sabino Canyon Visitor Center unless otherwise indicated. All mileages are round trip numbers.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher elevation demands that participants be in good physical condition.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bring plenty of water and lunch for longer hikes. We will stop for a short lunch break.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hiking boots or sturdy shoes, hiking poles, and rain gear are recommended.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No pets allowed. No smoking.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children under 18 years must be accompanied by a parent.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No guaranteed return time. Allow 1 hour driving time to reach some trailheads.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you have not yet been vaccinated, please wear a mask and maintain social distancing.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cell phones for emergency only.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bad weather may change or cancel the hike.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you have questions or want to know if the hike is canceled, call Sharon at 520-203-1112 or Dick at 510-608-7722.