

City of Prescott and Outdoor Recreation Map

- Easiest Bike Trails**
Good trail surface with few obstacles and minimal elevation change
- Intermediate Bike Trails**
Irregular trail surface with some obstacles and elevation change
- Difficult Bike Trails**
Technical and rocky trail surface with obstacles and substantial elevation change
- Motorized Bike Trails**
Trails that allow dirtbikes and ATVs under 50" wide - terrain is usually steep and more advanced mountain biking
- Hiking Only Trails**
Trails that do not allow bicyclists
- Granite Dells Scenic Trails**
Trails with slickrock terrain most suited for hiking (or highly technical biking)
- Bike Lanes**
Striped lanes designate portion of roadway for bicycle travel, they carry one-way traffic, and are usually located on busy streets
- Paved Bike Routes**
Bicyclists share the travel lane with motorists on these trails. Some routes are physically signed, while others are just the recommended route to avoid heavy traffic or hazardous conditions
- Unpaved Bike Routes**
Bicyclists potentially share the route with motorized traffic on these Forest Service Roads
- Whiskey Off Road Route**
Trails and routes (various colors) marked with dark red highlight on one side of trail or route, or following streets through town

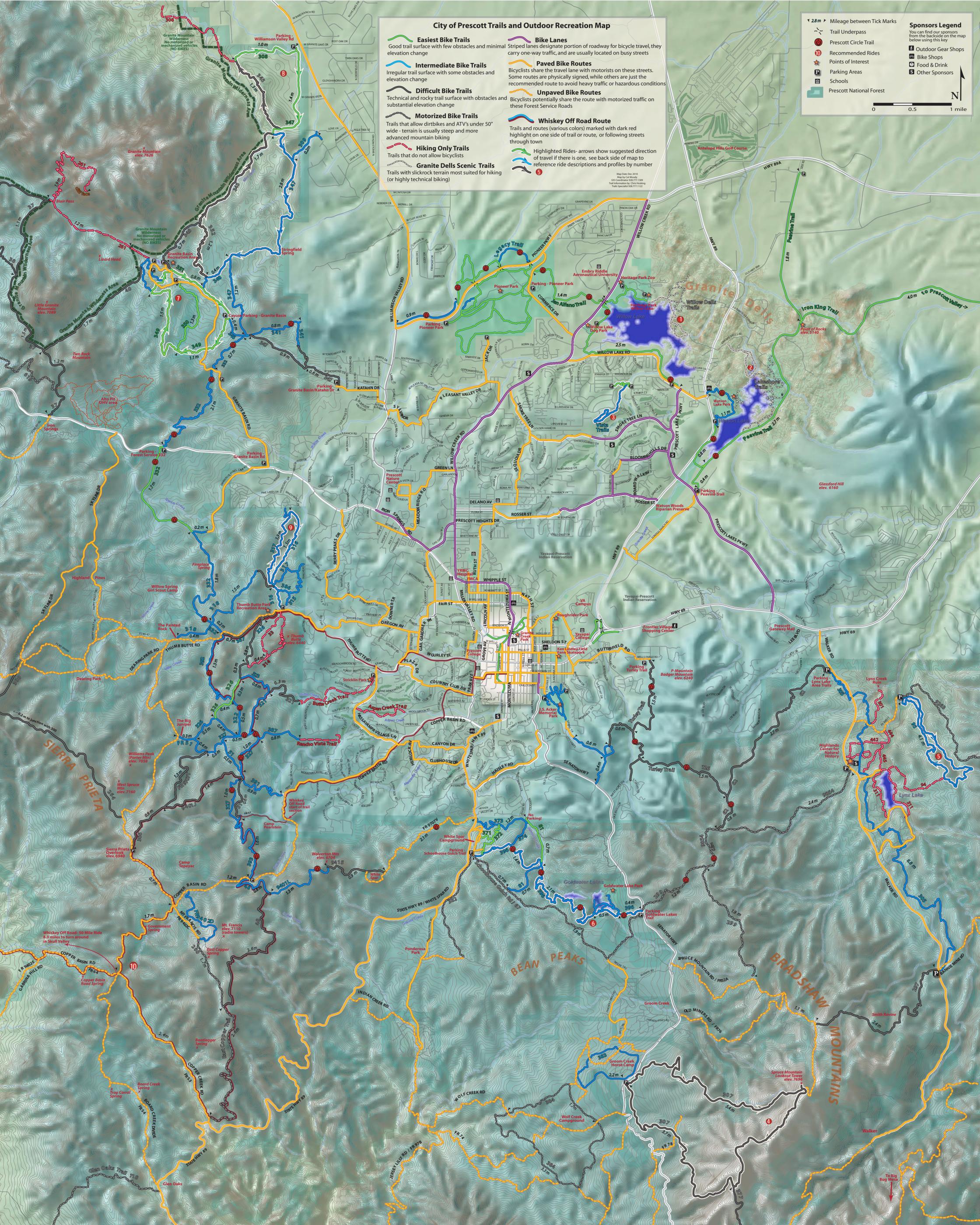
2.8m Mileage between Tick Marks

Sponsors Legend
You can find our sponsors from the backside on the map below using this key

- Trail Underpass
- Prescott Circle Trail
- Recommended Rides
- Points of Interest
- Parking Areas
- Schools
- Outdoor Gear Shops
- Bike Shops
- Food & Drink
- Other Sponsors

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Willow Lake Area

1 WILLOW DELLS TRAIL LOOP
distance: 2.9 miles
access: The newest of the Dells Trails starts at the Willow lake boat ramp, accessible off of Willow Creek Rd.
parking: \$2.00 fee for Willow Lake (or annual pass)
description: This is an out and back with a loop option at the east side of the lake. This trail meanders through the Precambrian Granite Dells and has steep ups and downs over the unique ridges of the Dells rock formations, (just follow the painted white dots). Along the way you will be presented with spectacular views of Willow Lake and Granite Mountain. Kids love to hike these "slickrock" trails where they can follow the white painted dots along the rocks.



Approach and Willow Loop Trail



Willow Lake

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Watson Lake Area

2 FLUME - WATSON DAM TRAIL
distance: 1.5 miles
access: This trail can be accessed from the trailhead on Granite Dells Rd off of Highway 89 as it travels through the Dells.
parking: free parking in dirt lot accommodating 10 vehicles
description: A relatively short trail with huge variety, from lush grasses and trees in the Granite Creek Riparian area that extends below the Dam, to sweeping views of the Dells with Flagstaff's San Francisco Peaks in the background. Your trip can be extended by an out and back climb to the Over the Hill Trail, which follows Boulder Creek, to the Lakeshore and Peavine trails for an additional 1 mile minimum.



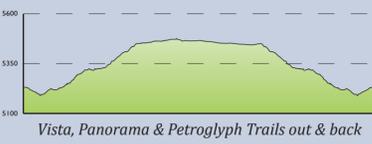
Flume Trail out & back



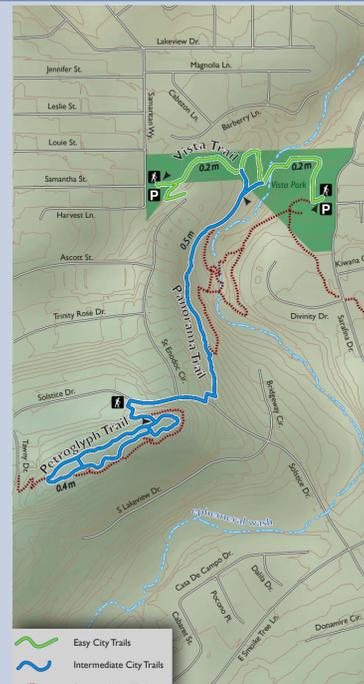
Vista Park Area

3 PANORAMA / PETROGLYPH TRAIL
distance: 1.1 miles
access: The main parking area is located on Sarafina Dr. off of Smoke Tree Ln. A second trailhead is located on Samaritan Way off of Willow Lake Rd.
parking: free at above trailheads- note: there is no parking on Solstice Dr at base of the Petroglyph Trail.
description: This is a quick hike from Vista Park off Sarafina Drive. The trail is a "lolly pop loop" off of an out and back. Vista Trail through the park links you to the Panorama Trail which climbs its way up to the top of the mesa. From there, explore the Petroglyph interpretive area and enjoy stunning 360 degree views of Prescott.

The Prescott Lakes development has many additional trail options (shown with red dashed lines on map at right) that connect to the City trails mentioned above.



Vista, Panorama & Petroglyph Trails out & back



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~ About the Map ~

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 The map features:
Bike Routes (in orange) have been designated on city streets and may or may not be indicated by bike route signs. Riders share the road with vehicles.
Bike lanes (in purple) have been designated on our city streets with striping and bike symbols. These lanes help riders move safely on the community's busier streets.

Two types of trails are highlighted on this side of the map:

~ City of Prescott Trails ~

The City Trails range from the easy-cruising ample path of the Peavine Trail along side Watson Lake to traversing the rocky ridges and outcrops in the Dells Scenic trails. Some City trailheads charge a parking fee (or get your annual parking pass at Parks and Rec 928-777-1122).

All City Trails have detailed trail maps available on the City website at <http://prescott-az.gov/services/parks/trails>

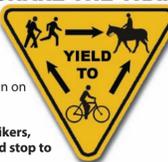
~ Prescott National Forest Trails ~

There are many options for trail-based recreation in the Prescott National Forest. For additional information on Prescott National Forest hiking, riding, and bicycling opportunities, please visit the downtown office at 344 S. Cortez or call (928) 443-8000. Note: Wednesdays are free parking day at Forest Service Trailheads.

The Forest Service has detailed trail maps available for Lynx Lake area, Thumb Butte Area, and Granite Basin Area.

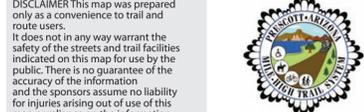
SHARE THE TRAIL

Trail etiquette is an important part of keeping our trails fun and safe for all trail users.
 ~ Respect other users, expect other users
 ~ Be friendly and courteous
 ~ Share the trail. Ride, walk or run on the right, pass on the left
 ~ Stay on trail.
 ~ Bicyclists yield to runners, hikers, and horses. Bicyclists should stop to allow horses to pass safely.
 ~ Downhill traffic yield to uphill traffic. When in doubt, yield.
 ~ Use unpaved trails only when they are dry, not muddy or wet, to avoid leaving ruts or prints.
 ~ Warn people when you are planning to pass
 ~ Bicyclists anticipate other trail users around corners and control your speed through blind spots
 ~ Equestrians clean up after your animal in developed sites
 ~ Ride within your ability at all times



Prescott Circle Trail

The Circle Trail is a 50 mile non-motorized trail system that encompasses the City of Prescott. Currently 35 miles have been completed.



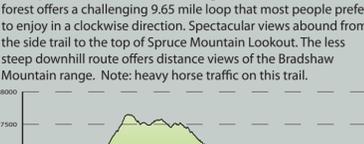
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Bradshaw Mountains Area

The Bradshaws were the focus of early mining activity in Prescott starting in the 1860's. The resources in the mountains were a major factor in Prescott's development as the first territorial capital. There are many options for trail loops in the Bradshaw Mountains. Terrain is generally steeper, and varies from open Oak Chaparral with Pinon and Juniper stands to Ponderosa Pine forest and Spruce/Fir forest in the higher elevations.

4 SPRUCE MOUNTAIN/307 GROOM CREEK LOOP TRAIL
distance: 9.7 miles
access: Trailhead is located on Senator Highway south of Groom Creek.
parking: free parking Forest Service Trailhead
description: This trail which starts high in the Ponderosa Pine forest offers a challenging 9.65 mile loop that most people prefer to enjoy in a clockwise direction. Spectacular views abound from the side trail to the top of Spruce Mountain Lookout. The less steep downhill route offers distance views of the Bradshaw Mountain range. Note: heavy horse traffic on this trail.

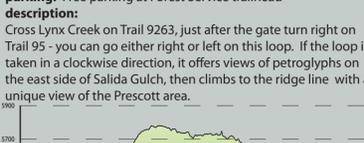


Spruce Mountain 307 Trail Loop



Lynx Lake is the site of some of the first Gold strikes in the Prescott region. Gold panning is still a popular activity in the area, but today many people enjoy renting a paddle boat on the lake, or hiking the trail which follows the lakeshore (311). Detailed trail maps for this area are available from the Forest Service.

5 SALIDA GULCH/95 LOOP TRAIL
distance: 4.1 miles
access: The trailhead is located at the end of Forest Road 9401T which can be accessed off of Walker Road just north of Lynx Lake.
parking: Free parking at Forest Service trailhead
description: Cross Lynx Creek on Trail 9263, just after the gate turn right on Trail 95 - you can go either right or left on this loop. If the loop is taken in a clockwise direction, it offers views of petroglyphs on the east side of Salida Gulch, then climbs to the ridge line with a unique view of the Prescott area.



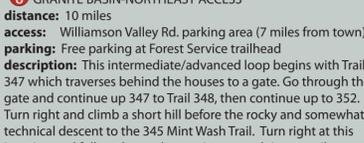
Salida Gulch 95 Trail Loop



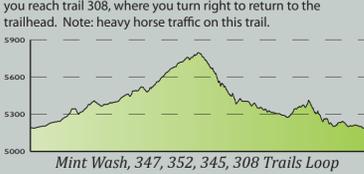
Granite Mountain Area

7 GRANITE BASIN LOOP
distance: 4 miles
access: Cayuse parking area off of Granite Basin Rd.
parking: \$5.00 fee Forest Service trailhead
description: This is a fun and easy smooth singletrack loop with limited climbing and obstacles. Trail 349 starts at the gate at the south end of the Cayuse trailhead area, then take the 350 or 351 to complete the loop. This trail is conducive to conversation.

8 GRANITE BASIN-NORTHEAST ACCESS
distance: 10 miles
access: Williamson Valley Rd. parking area (7 miles from town)
parking: Free parking at Forest Service trailhead
description: This intermediate/advanced loop begins with Trail 347 which traverses behind the houses to a gate. Go through the gate and continue up 347 to Trail 348, then continue up to 352. Turn right and climb a short hill before the rocky and somewhat technical descent to the 345 Mint Wash Trail. Turn right at this junction and follow the wash, crossing several times until reaching the gate at trail 347. After the gate stay left on 345 until you reach trail 308, where you turn right to return to the trailhead. Note: heavy horse traffic on this trail.



Mint Wash, 347, 352, 345, 308 Trails Loop



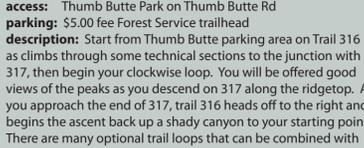
EQUESTRIAN PARKING
 Cayuse Trailhead in Granite Basin is horse trailer friendly and intended to serve as the main horseback access to the basin. The Williamson Valley trailhead is horse trailer accessible. Additionally, the Trail 48 trailhead on Copper Basin Rd accommodates one horse trailer; parking is available off Thumb Butte Rd at Willow Springs Rd by the painted rock. The Spruce Mountain 307 trailhead has ample parking and the Groom Creek Horse Camp also provides parking and trails for equestrian use.

Thumb Butte Area

The Thumb Butte area is full of classic Prescott trails. Some of the favorites include linking the 316-318-332-392-326, and several others inside the loop of Thumb Butte Rd/Copper Basin Rd. Trail conditions are packed decomposed granite with rock outcroppings. Many of the trails start in Pinon/Juniper/Oak woodland and head into the Ponderosa Pine forest as you go up in elevation.



9 PINELAKES AND RIDGETOP LOOP/316 & 317 TRAILS
distance: 3.1 miles
access: Thumb Butte Park on Thumb Butte Rd
parking: \$5.00 fee Forest Service trailhead
description: Start from Thumb Butte parking area on Trail 316 as climbs through some technical sections to the junction with 317, then begin your clockwise loop. You will be offered good views of the peaks as you descend on 317 along the ridgetop. As you approach the end of 317, trail 316 heads off to the right and begins the ascent back up a shady canyon to your starting point. There are many optional trail loops that can be combined with this trail loop.

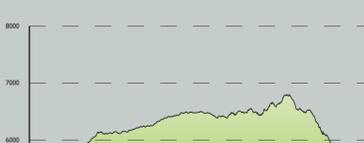


Ridgetop 317 & Pine Lakes 316 Trails Loop



Whiskey 25/50 Area

10 WHISKEY 50 MILE OR 25 MILE RACE LOOP
 The Whiskey 25/50 route is marked on the map with a thin dark red line following the roads and trails that make up this grand tour of Prescott mountain biking.
 Follow the map from the Courthouse Square downtown up into the hills on Copper Basin Rd. This race course has it all, from technical singletrack to raging downhill and uphill challenges all in a part of the largest contiguous Ponderosa Pine forest in the U.S. After reaching the trail's high point of Sierra Prieta, it's primarily downhill to the Courthouse Square.
 The 25 mile route is profiled below. The 50 mile route includes an out-and-back segment from Copper Basin Rd on roads down into Skull Valley.



Whiskey 25 Loop (start & finish at Courthouse Plaza)



Sierra Prieta Overlook

CITY OF PRESCOTT TRAILS AND OUTDOOR RECREATION MAP



Bridge on Willow Loop Trail
 Granite Mountain in Background
 photo Chris Hosking