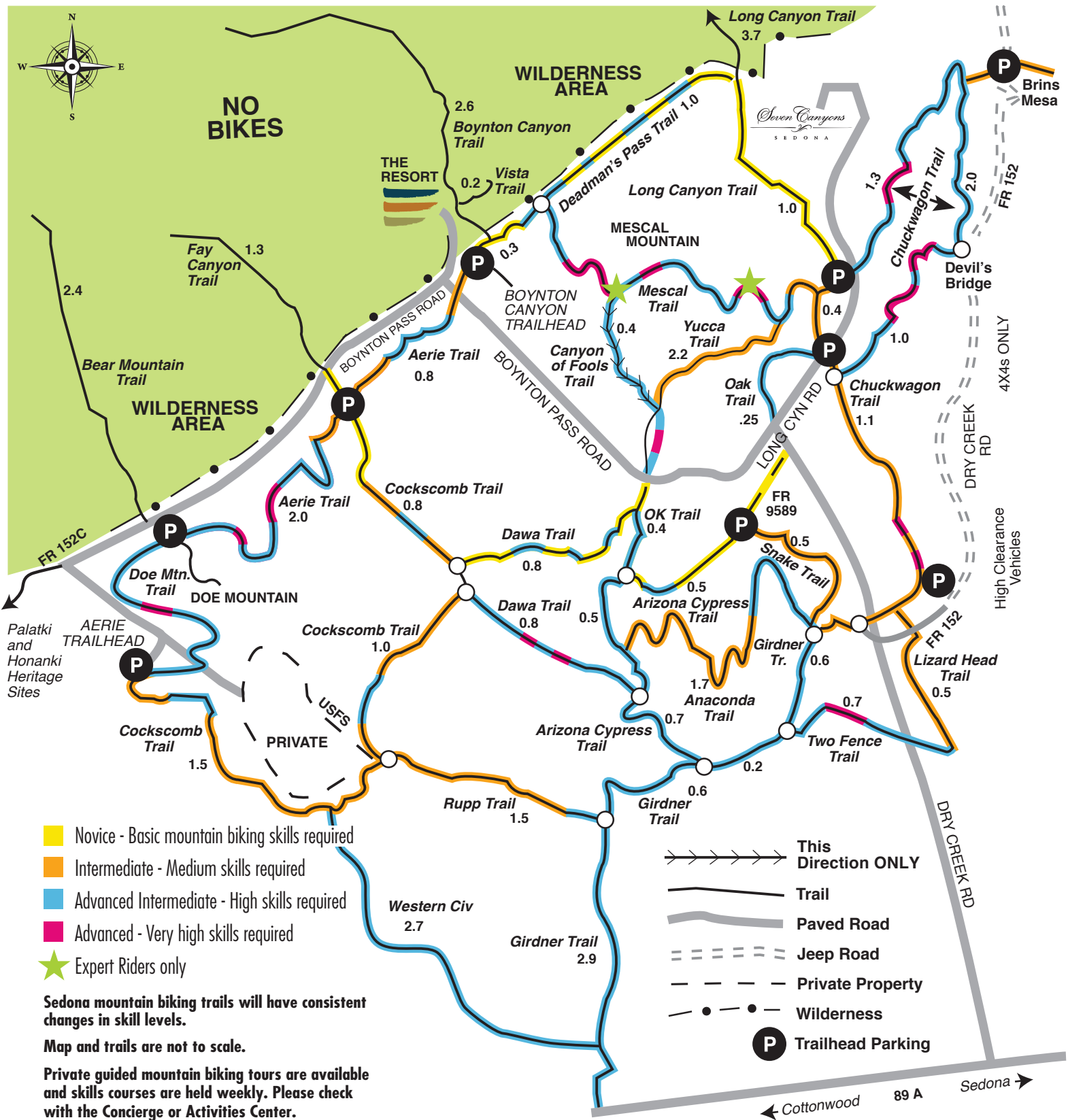


Local Mountain Biking and Hiking Trails

Upper Dry Creek Area Trails



Sedona mountain biking trails will have consistent changes in skill levels.
 Map and trails are not to scale.
 Private guided mountain biking tours are available and skills courses are held weekly. Please check with the Concierge or Activities Center.
 Be safety conscious – if you get into trouble or need help off property, CALL 911.

Trail Descriptions with Color Coding for Mountain Biking

Aerie Trail – 2.8 miles one way – elevation gain 220 ft.

Advanced Intermediate   

Begin Aerie at the Boynton Canyon Trailhead and continue parallel to Boynton Pass Road for 0.8 miles until it intersects with Cockscomb Trail. At this point Aerie begins a climb up the NE side of Doe Mountain. The trail works its way to the front of Doe and down towards the Doe/Bear Trailhead where it continues on over Aerie Road and ends at the Aerie Trailhead. Parts of the trail have steep drop-offs and small single track. Watch for hikers and other bikers where it might be difficult to get out of the way. This trail is not suitable for anyone not accustomed to heights.

Anaconda Trail – 1.7 miles one way – elevation gain 310 ft.

Advanced Intermediate  

Anaconda is a steady but fairly short climb up a hill of Junipers. There is a good viewpoint once you get to the top. Anaconda intersects with Girdner, Snake Trail and Arizona Cypress.

Arizona Cypress Trail – 1.7 miles one way – elevation gain 80 ft.

Advanced Intermediate  

Most of Arizona Cypress winds through sandy terrain, some of it fairly deep and although there are some steep hills, it does not have a lot of elevation. Girdner, Dawa, Okay and Anaconda all intersect with this trail. The trailhead is actually located off of Forest Road 9589 which is accessed from Dry Creek road.

Canyon of Fools – 0.9 miles one way – elevation gain 180 ft.

Advanced Intermediate - Advanced   

Take a left at the stop sign leaving Enchantment. Follow Boynton Pass Road past the cattle guard and look for it on your left. If you see the Dawa trail head on the right, you've gone too far. This trail follows along a small, rocky, steep walled canyon. From Mescal, bear southwest at the fork. You will come across a steep drop near the connection which is extremely hazardous, please approach with caution.

THIS TRAIL RECOMMENDED FOR DOWNHILL ONLY, BE AWARE OF UPHILL RIDERS!

Chuckwagon Trail – 4.7 miles one way – elevation gain 200 ft.

Intermediate – Advanced   

Access Chuckwagon from three places – two of them are on Long Canyon Road. The first is where Mescal Trail meets the road on the left, there is a large gravel parking area on the right and a trailhead map is located at the far end of the parking area. Down the road a little way is another entrance across from where Long Canyon Trail begins on the left, Chuckwagon is on the right. The third place is from Forest Road 152 which is the first paved road on the left as you head up Dry Creek Road from the resort. The trailhead is located on the right at the top of the parking lot. This is also the way to get to Devil's Bridge. From this direction, Chuckwagon is mostly intermediate single track with spectacular views. If you bear left at 1.2 miles and get back onto Long Canyon, you'll avoid the advanced part of the trail.

Cockscomb Trail – 3.5 miles one way – elevation gain 140 ft.

Novice – Advanced Intermediate   

The trailhead is located in the Fay Canyon parking lot, which is 1 mile from Enchantment – bear to the right at the stop sign coming out of the resort and it's the first parking lot on the left. Cockscomb is mostly sand and dirt with a few steep hills and ranges in difficulty. The end of Cockscomb is the Aerie parking lot. Cockscomb intersects with Dawa and Rupp Trails. The Cockscomb/Dawa loop is family friendly and probably the one of our most travelled trails.

Dawa Trail – 1.6 miles one way – elevation gain 130 ft.

Novice – Advanced   

Find the beginning of Dawa Trail by taking a left at the stop sign as you leave the resort. Follow Boynton Pass Road for a mile and on your right is a large trail marker where the trail starts. The first 0.9 miles of Dawa is relatively easy and at the junction of Dawa and Cockscomb, lesser skilled riders can bear right and continue on Cockscomb. Taking a left onto the next part of Dawa brings you to a much more difficult part of the trail. Steep hills with lots of loose rock make this part of the trail for advanced riders only.

Deadman's Pass Trail – 1.3 miles one way – elevation gain 200 ft.

Novice – Advanced Intermediate  

From the Enchantment gate go 0.3 miles to the Boynton Canyon Trailhead which is located on your left. Boynton Canyon Trail and Deadman's begin at the same place. This trail is a lot of soft sand and dirt

and is relatively easy except for several places where the rocks are quite difficult to ride. Riding from the direction of the trailhead is particularly hard over these rocky areas because it continues uphill as you pass by the north side of Mescal Mountain. Deadman's intersects with Long Canyon Trail which when you bear right proceeds to Long Canyon Road.

Girdner Trail – 4.5 miles one way – elevation gain 370 ft.

Advanced Intermediate 




At the Boynton Pass stop sign take a left and follow to the next stop. At Dry Creek Road take a right and about 3/4 of a mile on your right is a wooden sign before FR152 indicating the connecting trail. (Chuckwagon) which leads you to Girdner. Girdner can also be accessed from the Cultural Center off of 89A across from the High School. This trail follows Dry Creek for a few miles and there are some steep hills. Girdner intersects with Arizona Cypress and Rupp trails which makes a loop.

Lizard Head Trail – 0.5 miles one way – elevation gain 260 ft.

Intermediate 

This follows right along Dry Creek Road and comes out on Forest Road 152. Where it begins on Dry Creek, Two Fence Trail is right across the street.

Mescal Trail – 2.5 miles one way – elevation gain 230 ft.

Advanced Intermediate – Advanced   

Mescal can be accessed by the Boynton Canyon Trailhead just past the gates of Enchantment on the left. This trailhead is where Boynton Canyon, Deadman's and Aerie start. Follow Boynton Canyon to Deadman's and in 0.3 miles, you'll see a sign for Mescal. The route from Long Canyon Road is a better direction to ride Mescal. Take a left at the Boynton Canyon Pass stop sign and at the next stop sign (Dry Creek) go straight. The trailhead is on the left. Mescal winds around a lot and has a lot of single track with some steep drop offs. There is an area that gives you a choice of "difficult" or "extreme". This should not be attempted by bikers who aren't familiar with heights and slickrock, ledges and drop-offs. It is an excellent challenge for skilled bikers.

Oak Trail – 0.25 miles one way – elevation gain 15 ft.

Advanced Intermediate 

Connector to Mescal parking from stop sign. The trail climbs slowly, gaining elevation, and then descends to the parking lot.

Okay Trail – 0.4 miles one way – elevation gain 60 ft.

Novice – Advanced Intermediate 

Take a left at the stop sign onto Boynton Pass Road and then a right at the Dawa Trailhead. Okay trail bears off to the left after a few minutes on Dawa. This is a short connector trail that follows a streambed. It intersects with Arizona Cypress Trail.

Snake Trail – 0.5 miles one way – elevation gain 120 ft.

Intermediate 

Snake trail can be accessed either by Forest Road 9589 off of Dry Creek road or from Arizona Cypress Trail directly across from Forest Road 152 on Dry Creek. This is a short trail that follows a wash.

Two Fence Trail – 0.7 miles one way – elevation gain 160 ft.

Advanced Intermediate – Advanced  

To find Two Fence Trail, when travelling up Dry Creek towards 89A, look to the right after passing where Forest Road 152 makes a left. There are several areas on this trail that cross over high sided washes which make for advanced riding. Although this is a short trail it is very challenging in parts.

Western Civ – 2.7 miles one way – elevation gain 100 ft.

Advanced Intermediate 

Flowing cross-country trail that is challenging in places and connects Cockscomb/Aerie to Girdner.

Yucca Trail – 0.4 miles one way

Intermediate 

This is a winding connecting trail between Canyon of Fools and Mescal.

 Novice – Basic mountain biking skills required  Intermediate – Medium skills required  Advanced Intermediate – High skills required  Advance – Very high skills required  Expert Riders only