

Tucson Volkssport Walking Klub

SAGUARO NATIONAL PARK 10 KM and 5KM YEAR-ROUND WALK DIRECTIONS

In case of Emergency, Dial 911
For Event Assistance, Contact
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These walk directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed AVA waiver. Other uses are prohibited.

Park Visitor Center 3696 Old Spanish Trail, Tucson 85730 32° 10' 48' N 110° 44' 11' W

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DIRECTIONS TO START POINT

- It is an 11-mile drive to the Start Point.
- Exit from Comfort Suites and turn left (east) on Tanque Verde Road.
- Drive 4.5 miles to Houghton Road and turn right (south).
- Drive 3.8 miles to Old Spanish Trail and turn left (east).
- Drive 2.7 miles on Old Spanish Trail to Entrance (on left) to Saguaro National Park.
- Drive into the Park and park at Visitor Center.
- If you would like to walk before the Park opens or after it closes, you may park outside the entrance along Old Spanish Trail and walk in.

DIRECTIONS FOR WALK

[Note: Water and restrooms are only available at the Visitor Center. Carry your own water and during hot sunny days wear a hat and sunglasses.]

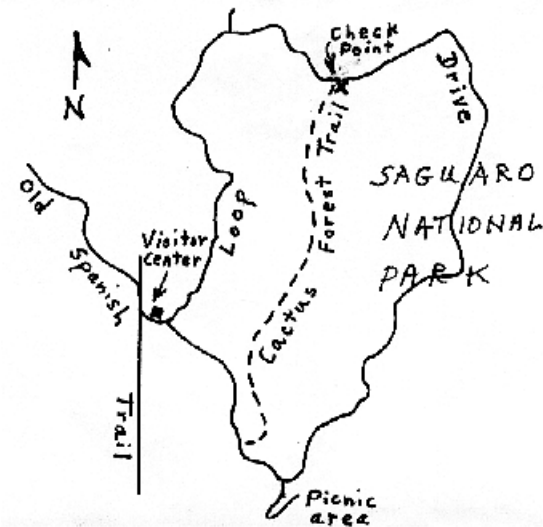
[Note: There are no checkpoints on this walk.]

- Walk east to Entrance Station and pay the walker entrance fee.
- 5KM route:** Enter Park and turn right (south), walk to the Javelina picnic area and return to visitor center.
- 10 KM route:**
- Continue into the Park and stay to the left as the road splits. [Note: this is a one-way road for cars. Traffic will be coming from behind you. Traffic is very light and very slow.]
- Walk (approximately 2.5 miles) to Cactus Forest Trailhead which is a little past the Ecology Loop Trail – an interesting ¼ mile loop with info signs.
- Turn right (south) on to the Cactus Forest Trail.
- Continue on this trail all the way to the paved Loop Drive (about 2.5 miles).
- Turn right (north) on the paved Loop Drive.
- Continue on this road back to the Visitor Center (about 1 mile).

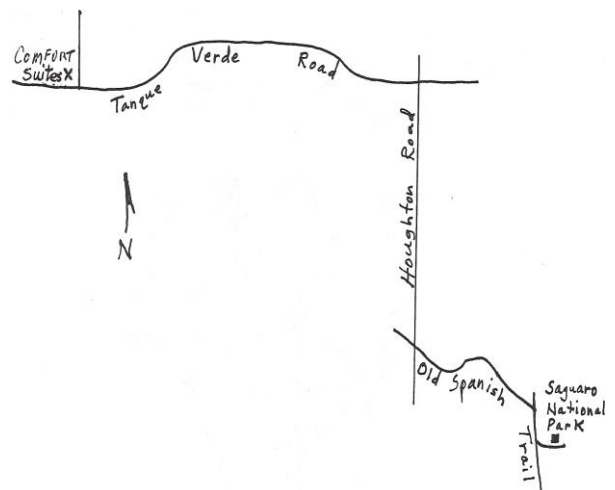
You may want to visit the Visitor Center and sign the "visitor register" to help the Park with its visitor statistics. Also, there are interesting exhibits, a free slide show, and a great book shop.

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MAP OF WALK ROUTE



MAP TO START POINT



1. “Please use either the Online Start Box (OSB) or Physical Start Box (PSB) to register and complete the event. Do NOT mix and match (for example, by registering using the OSB, then completing your event using the PSB, nor signing the PSB log sheet). The sponsoring club only receives credit for an OSB participant when an OSB registration has been completed online by entering your participation date, distances, and any special programs using the OSB.”
2. “**Event Completion:** Be sure to log back into the OSB system to “finish/complete” your online registration after doing the event. The OSB system does not deduct any event fee from a participant’s Event Bank until they have submitted event completion info including the date the event was walked, the distance walked, and the selection of applicable special programs that person is participating in. (Nevertheless, a fee of \$2 for a downloaded PDF is deducted from the user’s Event Bank when the PDF is downloaded. Later, any PDF fees are credited back to a user’s Event Bank when he/she submits the event completion info as a paying for credit participant. Note, however, the \$2 coupon for the downloaded PDF will expire in 60 days.)”