

TRAIL HEAD DIRECTIONS

Distance: Prescott to TH is 2.8 miles, all blacktop.

Drive south out of Prescott on US 89, initially Montezuma then White Spar Rd, for 2.8 miles from Courthouse Square.

Turn left (east) off US 89 onto White Spar Campground Rd.
 - TH parking is just across the bridge over Granite Creek, on a wide area of dirt to the right (south).

- To reach the start of trail 9415, walk back over the bridge and across White Spar Road, where you will see a sign for the trail on the west side, a bit to your left.

- Watch for fast moving traffic as you cross this major road.

You can choose your out and back hiking distance:

- Turn-around 1 total is 2.6 miles (easy-moderate)

- Turn-around 2 total is 7.0 miles (strenuous)

TH elevation is 5620 feet, high point at turnaround 2 is 6300'

Description: This trail is part of the Prescott Circle Trail

- Trail climbs steadily, though there are a few downhills too.

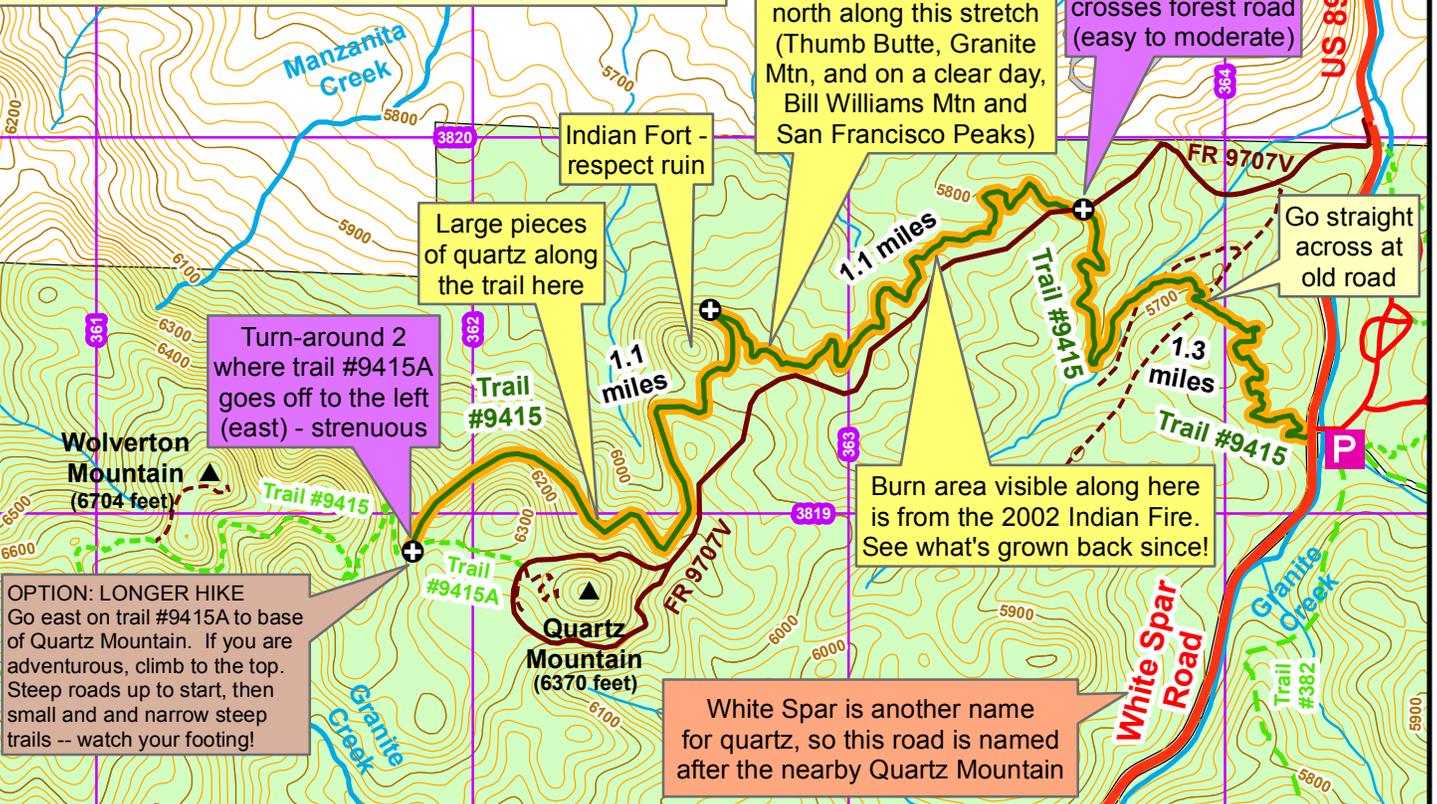
- Great views over Prescott ½ mile after crossing the forest road, and good views of Quartz Mountain follow.

- First half is open pine forest but no shade after the road.



PRESCOTT CIRCLE TRAIL

This trail is about 50 miles long and goes all around the City of Prescott. It should be completed by the end of this year (2014), all but a two mile segment. To get a copy of the Guide to the Circle Trail, go online to Yavapai-trails.org You can also buy a copy from the Highland Center or from the Prescott Chamber of Commerce downtown.



Turn-around 1 where trail #9415 crosses forest road (easy to moderate)

Outstanding views to the north along this stretch (Thumb Butte, Granite Mtn, and on a clear day, Bill Williams Mtn and San Francisco Peaks)

Large pieces of quartz along the trail here

Turn-around 2 where trail #9415A goes off to the left (east) - strenuous

Burn area visible along here is from the 2002 Indian Fire. See what's grown back since!

OPTION: LONGER HIKE
 Go east on trail #9415A to base of Quartz Mountain. If you are adventurous, climb to the top. Steep roads up to start, then small and narrow steep trails -- watch your footing!

White Spar is another name for quartz, so this road is named after the nearby Quartz Mountain

3. Quartz Mountain

ROADS

- Surfaced Roads
- Dirt Roads

TRAILS 1

- SPREE Trail Route
- Trail along dirt road
- Other trails
- Old Forest Road

LAND USE 1

- Private Land
- Prescott National Forest
- Wilderness Area

Parking (at trail head)

Trail Point/Junction (with approx. mileages between points/junctions/parking)

Purple grids are for GPS (UTM NAD83)

Scale is 1:20,000

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