

TRAIL HEAD DIRECTIONS

Distance: Prescott to TH is 30 miles, all blacktop (except parking).

Drive east and south on Hwy 69 from Prescott/Prescott Valley towards I-17. Go 0.3 miles past MP 267 and pull off Hwy 69 to the right (SW).

- This point is 0.5 miles past crossroads of Old Sycamore Rd/Daybreak (~3 miles past Mayer). **Go slowly here -- don't overshoot!**

There are no signs for TH, so follow these directions carefully:

- At turn off, there is a gap in the divided highway median on the left.
- After cattle guard, stay left on dirt road and park by two gates in fence.
- A concrete outhouse will be to your left, just outside this fence.

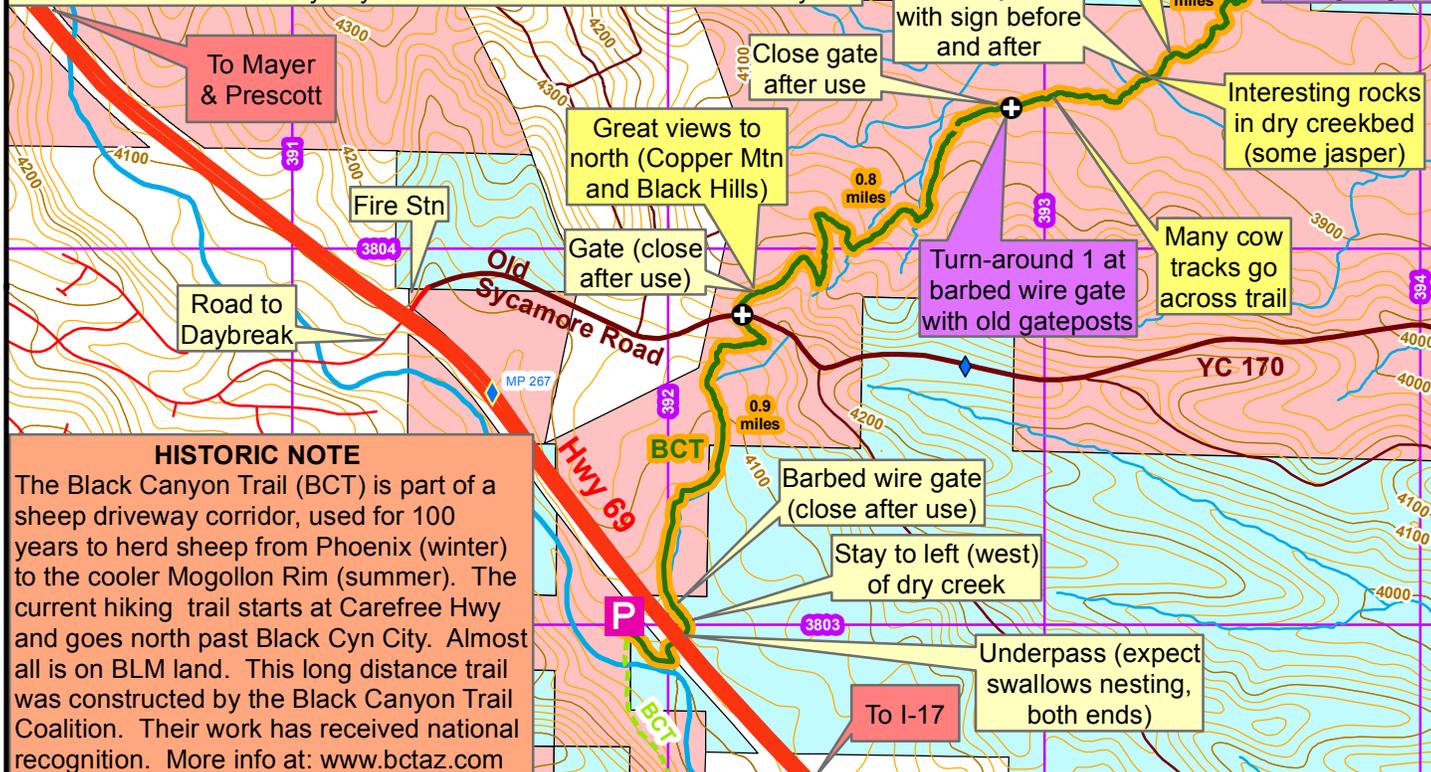
From the TH gate, do NOT go left along fence to an old gate and steps. Instead go half left to a point between two other converging fences, where trail becomes clear. Follow this trail, up a rise, then bend left to an underpass. Trail surface here is loose and sloping – be careful!

You can choose your out and back hiking distance:

- Turn-around 1 is 3.5 miles (moderate).
- Turn-around 2 is 5.1 miles (moderate to strenuous).

TH elevation 4040 feet, high 4180', low 3920', end (ranch road) 4000'

Description: This trail though chaparral is little used. After crossing Old Sycamore Road, it is very peaceful – you will only be disturbed by jack rabbits and cotton tails. There are occasional large cairns along the trail. No shade -- hike on cloudy day or late in season. After rain – muddy?



HISTORIC NOTE

The Black Canyon Trail (BCT) is part of a sheep driveway corridor, used for 100 years to herd sheep from Phoenix (winter) to the cooler Mogollon Rim (summer). The current hiking trail starts at Carefree Hwy and goes north past Black Cyn City. Almost all is on BLM land. This long distance trail was constructed by the Black Canyon Trail Coalition. Their work has received national recognition. More info at: www.bctaz.com

8. Black Canyon Trail (BLM)

ROADS

- Surfaced Roads
- Dirt Roads

TRAILS 3

- SPREE Trail Route
- Optional SPREE trl
- Other trails
- Old Forest Roads

LAND USE 7

- Private land
- Bureau of Land Mgmt
- State Trust Land

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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