



# Saturday June 23, 2018

## O'Leary Peak, Sunset Crater Flagstaff

Approximately 165 Miles and 205-3 Hours from Central Phoenix "stack",

Type: Day Hike	Max Rtg/Pts: 3/1	Elev. Change: 1965	Length: 10 miles
Start Time: 8:30 am	Duration: 4-6 hours	Max No of Part: N/A	Last Scouted: 2008

- Major Hike:
- Cross-Country:
- Exploratory:
- Individual Effort:
- Options:
- Pass/Fees Rqd.:

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Required Equipment:

Recommended Equipment: Rain jacket & pants, water, lunch \$ snacks, hat, sunscreen & sunglasses. Dress in layers, light gloves, camera, binoculars, 2-way radio.

Cautions and Special Preparations: If early monsoon activity possible, plan to begin your descent by 12:00 PM. There is a slight chance that you may experience mild high altitude symptoms on this hike; bring medications for headache and nausea. Intermediate conditioning recommended.

Description: We will be hiking the old FR545A road bed from near its intersection with FR 545 to the O'Leary Peak fire tower / summit. The hike is moderately difficult with the first mile being relatively flat and the following 4 miles to the top averaging about 500' in elevation change per mile. The views from the peak of the Painted Desert, Inner Basin of the San Francisco Peaks, and into Sunset Crater are incredible. If you love the Flagstaff high country, don't miss this hike. There should be enough time after the hike to check out the Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument (fee required). Go the Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument web site for more information. (<http://www.nps.gov/sucr/>)  
 Overnight camping is available at the Bonita Campground which is 1.8 miles from the Highway 89 turnoff on FR545. Each camping space has room for 2 vehicles and up to 8 people, a picnic table, fire pit and Bar-B-Q. The Bonita Campground has running water and toilets.  
 Note: Fire restrictions are in full force (stage 2) and a lot of places are closed. Please be aware of these conditions.

Driving Directions: I-17 North to I-40. East on I-40 to the Highway 89 turnoff. Follow Highway 89 north about 12 miles to the Sunset Crater Volcano / Wupatki National Monument turnoff (FR 545). Follow FR545 for 1.7 miles to the O'Leary Campground turnoff on the north (left) side

of the road. If you get to the Bonita Campground turnoff or the National Monument entrance, you have gone too far. Follow the O'Leary Campground road for about ¼ mile to the campground entrance. Park in the 8 space (double length) parking area just to the east (right) of the O'Leary Campground entrance. The O'Leary Peak trailhead sign is at the east end of the parking area.