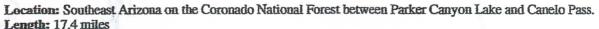


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Canelo Pass to Patagonia



This passage provides scenic views of rolling grass hills, oak savannahs, mesquite groves and riparian canyons. The east side of this passage links with the Canelo Hills East Passage at the Canelo Pass trailhead. The west side of this passage ends in the town of Patagonia where it links with the Temporal Gulch Passage.



Difficulty Rating: Moderate

Recommended Seasons of Use: Fall, Winter, Spring





Access

To reach the Canelo Pass trailhead, turn south on FR 799 from Highway 83 near Canelo, and go four miles to the signed trailhead on the west side of the road. The northern trailhead for this passage is located east and south of the town of Patagonia. Take FR 58 (which begins in front of the US Post Office) from Hwy 82. Travel three miles on FR 58 until you reach the trailhead on the southwest side of the road.

Trail Route Description:

From the Canelo Pass trailhead the route continues northwest and switchbacks up a ridge overlooking Canelo Hills. From here the trail descends into the scenic Meadow Valley and heads west along four wheel drive roads in Redrock Canyon to Red Bank Well. Along this section of trail there are a few exclosures where there are sensitive plant and animal species. These exclosures are fenced and/or signed and camping is prohibited in these areas. From Red Bank the trail continues northwest and crosses several washes as it winds north and then west of Red Rock Ranch. The trail crosses Redrock Road and begins climbing and descending various ridges with scenic views of Kunde Mountain. The trail terminates 3.7 miles from Redrock ranch road at the trailhead at Harshaw (FR58), east and south of Patagonia. This passage, named Canelo Hills West (TR131) is 17.4 miles from the Canelo Pass trailhead to Harshaw on FR 58.

NOTES: Water is intermittent and scarce. Plan to bring your own water. Stock water may be available at Down Under Tank, La Plata Tank, and Red Bank Well.

- Trail is designed for hiking and horseback riding. Mountain bikes are permitted.
- · Cattle grazing occurs along the route of the trail. Please close all gates.
- Please use low impact camping-hiking techniques.
- Gently rolling trail, with few climbs in elevation ranges from 4050' to 5900'.
- · Mines are located near some of the trail routes and are marked. Please remain on the trail.
- There are areas closed to overnight camping and stock. These areas are to protect sensitive wildlife and plant species and are signed and/or fenced.

Resources

Maps: This map, more detailed maps available in the future. USGS Quads: Mt. Hughes, O'Donnell Canyon, Canelo Pass, Huachuca Peak.

(The trail is not marked on these quads.)

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