

# sierrahikes a personal experience

## What is Sierra Hikes?

Sierra Hikes is a small company specializing in private hikes for adventurous souls. Whether you're visiting Tucson on a vacation or business trip, or are a native Tucsonan who wants to explore our fabulous backyard, we have a hike for you.

On our hikes, you will see the real Sonoran Desert and parts of the surrounding mountain ranges, and the flora and fauna living in this rich habitat.

## What kinds of hikes are available?

Each hike is a one-of-a-kind experience, and can be adapted for all experience levels. Those booking A Desert Experience hike can expect a two to three mile hike in the local area. A hike of this length will take approximately two hours.

For more experienced hikers, extended hikes of five to ten miles or more can be arranged.

## How can I schedule a hike?

Simply contact Sierra Hikes with the requirements for your hike. We will discuss the planning with you, ensure you have the proper equipment (generally just good shoes and water), and any other requirements you may have.

Contact Sierra Hikes at (520) 546-2122 or (520) 256-9064.

## When can I hike?

Currently, hikes can only be scheduled on weekends and some holidays. Depending on our customer base, this schedule may be expanded in the future.

Hikes are normally conducted in the early morning hours. During the winter months - mid-October through mid-April - hikes start about 8:00 AM. During the summer months, hikes may begin as early as 6:00 AM in an attempt to avoid the extreme heat.

## What can I expect to see?

During our hikes, the guide will point out interesting flora and fauna along the way. You will learn about the different types of cactus and flowering plants encountered along the trail and, if you're very lucky, you might see some of our desert denizens - coyote, javelina, Gambel's quail, mule deer, whitetail deer, vultures and hawks. You might even see some of our more secretive creatures - tarantulas, lizards, and snakes.

## What do I need to bring?

The only things you will need to bring are a good pair of shoes (hiking boots or decent sneakers), plenty of water, a nutritious snack, and a good attitude. Sometimes a hiking stick or staff will be suggested. A few hiking sticks are available from the guide. More specific information will be provided when you schedule your hike with Sierra Hikes.

## Is hiking in Arizona dangerous?

Hiking anywhere can be dangerous if you aren't familiar with the area and the specific things that need to be attended to in that area.

Even with familiarity, hiking is an inherently dangerous pastime. Experience can only minimize the dangers of the trail. You are ultimately responsible for your own actions. By following the suggestions and directions of the guide, however, you can be sure you will experience the most pleasant aspects of hiking in the desert.

## Available Hikes:

The following hikes are available on any weekend or holiday by appointment. Posted prices are per person, with a two- or three-person minimum per hike. Lower per-person rates are available for groups of seven to ten hikers.

<b>A Desert Experience (easy)</b> 3 miles / 2 hours	\$12.00
<b>Pima Canyon (moderate)</b> 6.4 miles / 4 hours	\$22.00
<b>Blackett's Ridge (strenuous)</b> 6.5 miles / 4 hours	\$27.00
<b>Phoneline Trail (moderate)</b> 9.4 miles / 5 hours	\$32.00
<b>Wasson Peak (strenuous)</b> 9.2 miles / 5 hours	\$32.00

Custom hikes can also be arranged and are priced according to the distance, time, and effort involved.

For more information, please see our website at the web address below.

Tucson, Arizona

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