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BANNING CREEK TRAIL #81

GENERAL INFORMATION: Banning Creek Trail #81 is a well-shaded trail near White Spar Campground that meanders through beautiful ponderosa pine forest. The nearby Goldwater Lake and a network of seasonal creeks provide habitat for a stunning array of songbirds. The area is a popular spot for birdwatching for this reason.

TR 81 can be paired with a number of other trails to create loops of varying lengths. Connecting trails include Schoolhouse Gulch Trail #67, Apple Blossom Trail #373, Hidden Valley Trail #374, and Goldwater Lake Trail #396. TR 396 provides a scenic route from White Spar Campground to Goldwater Lake.

ACCESS AND TRAILHEAD LOCATION: Travel north on White Spar Road 1.8 miles past its junction with Copper Basin Road. Turn left at the sign for White Spar Campground. Park in the lot to the right. Walk around the gate and travel 0.5 miles on Schoolhouse Gulch Trail #67 to TR 81, on the left.

TRAVEL TIME: 10 minutes from Prescott

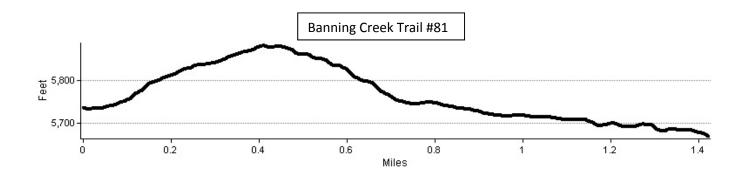
ROAD CONDITIONS: Paved

HIKING TIME: 30 minutes, one-way LENGTH: 1.4 miles DIFFICULTY: Easy USE: Heavy

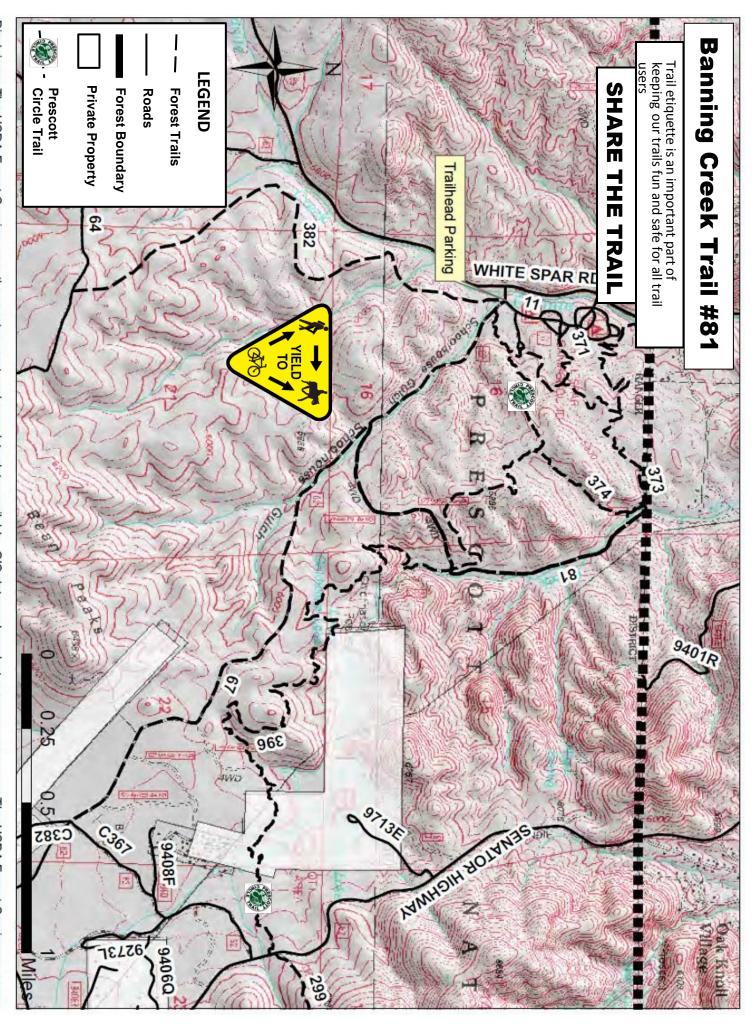
NOTES: This trail is open to hikers, bicyclists, and horseback riders. Please be considerate of other users—slow down and know when to yield the trail. There is no drinking water available at the trailhead or on the trail.

RECOMMENDED SEASONS OF USE: Spring, summer, fall

MAPS, OTHER REASOURCES: Prescott National Forest Map, west half; U.S.G.S. topographic 7.5' quads for Prescott and Groom Creek. Most or all other older Map resources will refer to Banning Creek as Bannon Creek. Banning Creek is the correct name registered with The US Board on Geographic Names



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