



Prescott National Forest

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WEST LAKE TRAIL #351

GENERAL INFORMATION: West Lake Trail #351 begins at the Cayuse Equestrian Trailhead within the Granite Basin Recreation Area. It passes through a mixed forest of ponderosa pine and alligator juniper as it travels toward Granite Basin Lake. The trail crosses a creek several times. Although the creek is usually dry, its banks are lined with dense vegetation that is nourished by occasional flows. After its junction with Mint Wash Trail #345, TR 351 turns southwest and crosses Granite Basin Road before it ends at Balancing Rock Trail #349. This short trail provides access to other Granite Basin trails, especially for horseback riders who are not permitted to park horse trailers at other trailheads within the Recreation Area.

CAUTION: This trail is open to hikers horseback riders and mountain bicyclists. Please be considerate of others—slow down and know when to yield the trail.

ACCESS AND TRAILHEAD LOCATION: From its intersection with Willow Creek Road, travel northwest on Iron Springs Road for 3 miles. Turn right onto Granite Basin Road and proceed 2.4 miles to the Cayuse Equestrian Trailhead on the right. Continue 0.1 miles to the parking area. There is ample parking for horse trailers and regular vehicles. \$5 fee; free on Wednesdays.

TRAVEL TIME: 20 minutes from Prescott

ROAD CONDITIONS: Paved

HIKING TIME: 30 minutes, one-way **LENGTH:** 1.5 miles **DIFFICULTY:** Easy **USE:** Moderate

NOTES: This trail is open to hikers, horseback riders, and mountain bicyclists. Please be considerate of other users—slow down and know when to yield the trail. Dogs must be on leashes; please clean up after pets. Rest rooms and drinking water are available at the parking area, but not on trail. Other amenities at the trailhead include water for horses, hitching posts, and picnic tables.

RECOMMENDED SEASONS OF USE: Spring, summer, fall, winter

MAPS, OTHER RESOURCES: Prescott National Forest Map, west half; U.S.G.S. topographic 7.5' quads for Iron Springs, National Geographic Trails Illustrated Map Bradshaw Mountains, City of Prescott Trails and Outdoor Recreation Map



