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HIKING

NORTH TRAIL #1896 - CORTINA LANE (DAVOS) TO BUFFEHR CREEK

Length: 3.8 miles (one way)

Difficulty: Moderate

Beginning Elevation: 8,212 ft.

Elevation Gain: +1375 ft. - 1460 ft. = - 85 ft.

Trail Use: High

Open To: Hiking, Biking, Horseback

Ending Elevation: 8,127 ft.

USGS Map(s): Vail West

Access from Vail: Travel west on I-70 to Exit 173 for West Vail. Proceed north from the roundabout on the north side of I-70. Turn left at the yield sign onto Chamonix Lane. At Arosa, turn right and veer right onto Davos Trail road. Take the next right on to Cortina, which will take you to the trailhead. There is limited parking at the end of the road.

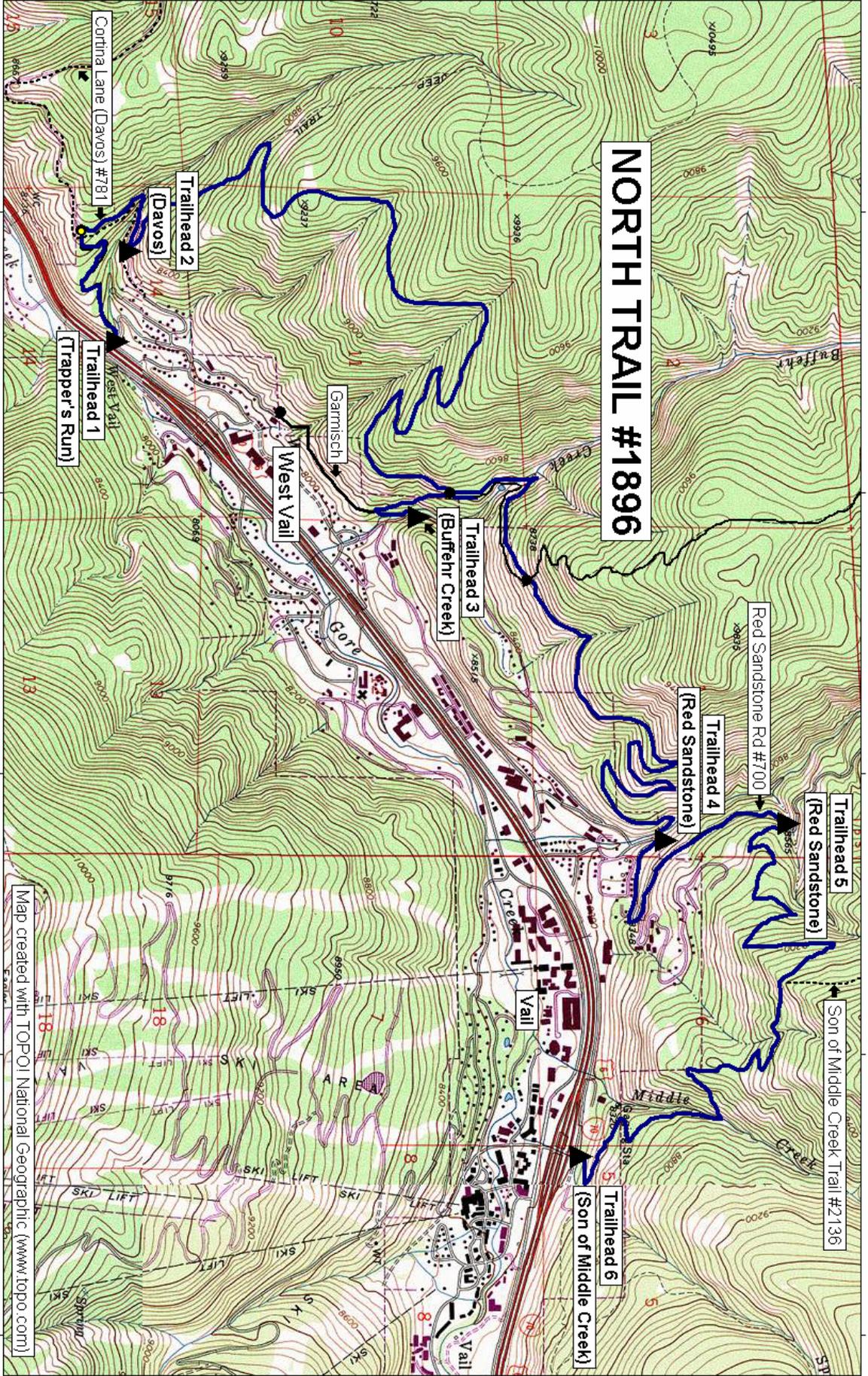
Trail Highlights: Walk 1/8 mile to the Davos singletrack, take the right fork onto Davos singletrack. After 1 mile, at the signed junction, turn right onto the North Trail. The trail climbs gently and then curves around into a drainage of mixed pine and aspen. The trail continues to climb to the section's high point. From here the views to the south and west of Holy Cross Wilderness and the Gore Range are excellent. After winding through another drainage, the North Trail begins its descent into Buffehr Creek via a series of switchbacks. At a pile of downed aspens, turn right to continue the descent to Buffehr Creek. Staying straight takes you to Red Sandstone via the Buffehr Creek Singletrack. At the bottom of the descent, turn left onto Garmisch Trail; follow it to the Buffehr Creek bridge.

Important Information: The North Trail is closed from April 15 to June 15 for elk calving season and for soil protection and erosion controls from seasonal runoff.

PACK IT IN - PACK IT OUT!! LEAVE NO TRACE!!

This map is intended for use as a general guide only, not for actual land navigation. The White River National Forest strongly suggests purchasing a topographic map and compass prior to your hiking trip.

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106°26'00" W
106°25'00" W
106°24'00" W
106°23'00" W
WGS84 106°22'00" W

HOLY CROSS RANGER DISTRICT WHITE RIVER NATIONAL FOREST

39°38'00" N

39°39'00" N

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