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LITTLE YEAGER TRAIL #533

GENERAL INFORMATION: From Forest Road 105 Little Yeager Canyon Trail #533 goes west along a ridge. It then descends a steep series of switchbacks into Yeager Canyon. Yeager Canyon supports an attractive riparian corridor, where deciduous hardwoods create a canopy of shade. Fall paints the canyon in brilliant shades of yellow and gold and is an excellent time of year to explore this and other trails in the Mingus Mountain area. Fortunate visitors may spot deer, elk, and a variety of birds. Black bears also make their home in this area. Rolled rocks along the trail show where bears have passed by, turning stones in search of grubs and other insects.

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

ACCESS AND TRAILHEAD LOCATION: From its intersection with Interstate 17 near Camp Verde, travel 12.2 miles on Hwy 260 to the junction with Hwy 89A. Turn left and go 17.1 miles, through Jerome, to the Mingus Summit and FR 104. Turn left onto FR 104 and go 1.3 miles to FR 413. Turn right onto FR 413 and go 1.4 miles to FR 132. Turn right onto FR 132 and go 0.4 miles to FR 105. Turn right onto FR 105 and continue for 0.4 miles to the trailhead on the right. Parking is good.

From the junction of Hwy 89/89A near Chino Valley, travel 18.8 miles on Hwy 89A to the Mingus Summit and FR 104. Turn right onto FR 104 and follow the directions above.

TRAVEL TIME: 1 hour from I-17; 30 minutes from Chino Valley

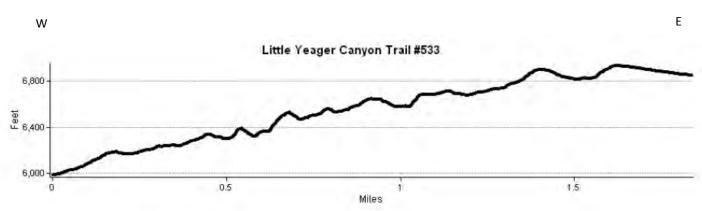
ROAD CONDITIONS: Suitable for all vehicles

HIKING TIME: 1 hour, one-way LENGTH: 1.9 miles DIFFICULTY: Moderate USE: Moderate

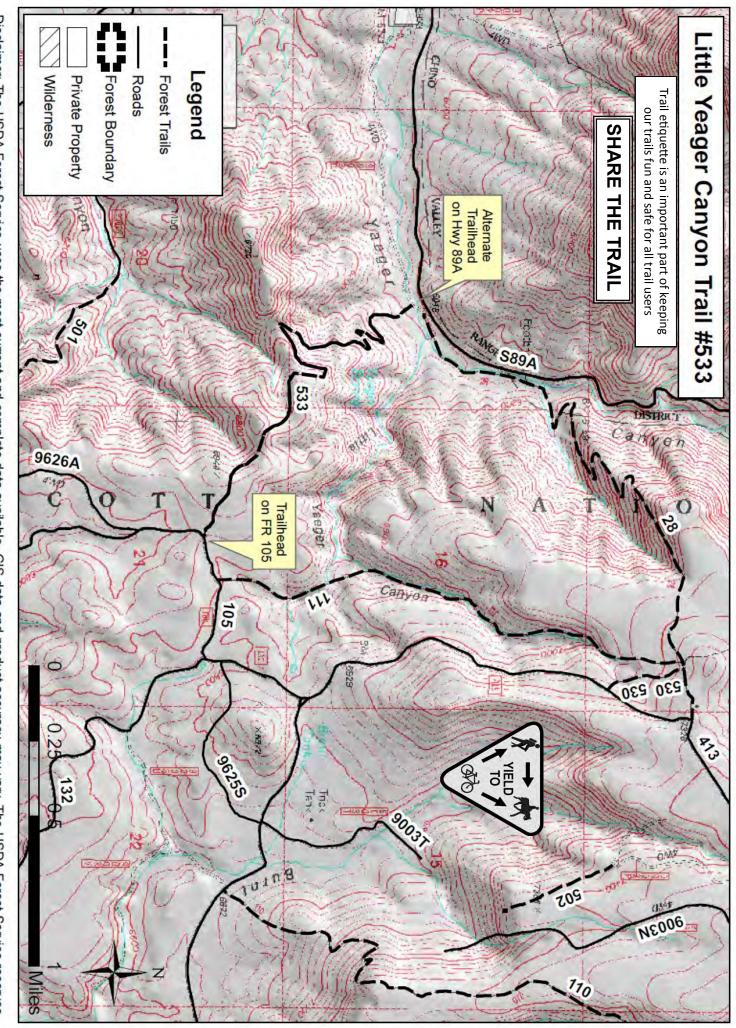
NOTES: There is no water at the trailhead or along the trail.

RECOMMENDED SEASONS OF USE: Spring, summer, fall

MAPS, OTHER RESOURCES: Prescott National Forest Map, east half; U.S.G.S. topographic 7.5' quads for Hickey Mountain, National Geographic Trails Illustrated Map Apache Creek Juniper Mesa.



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