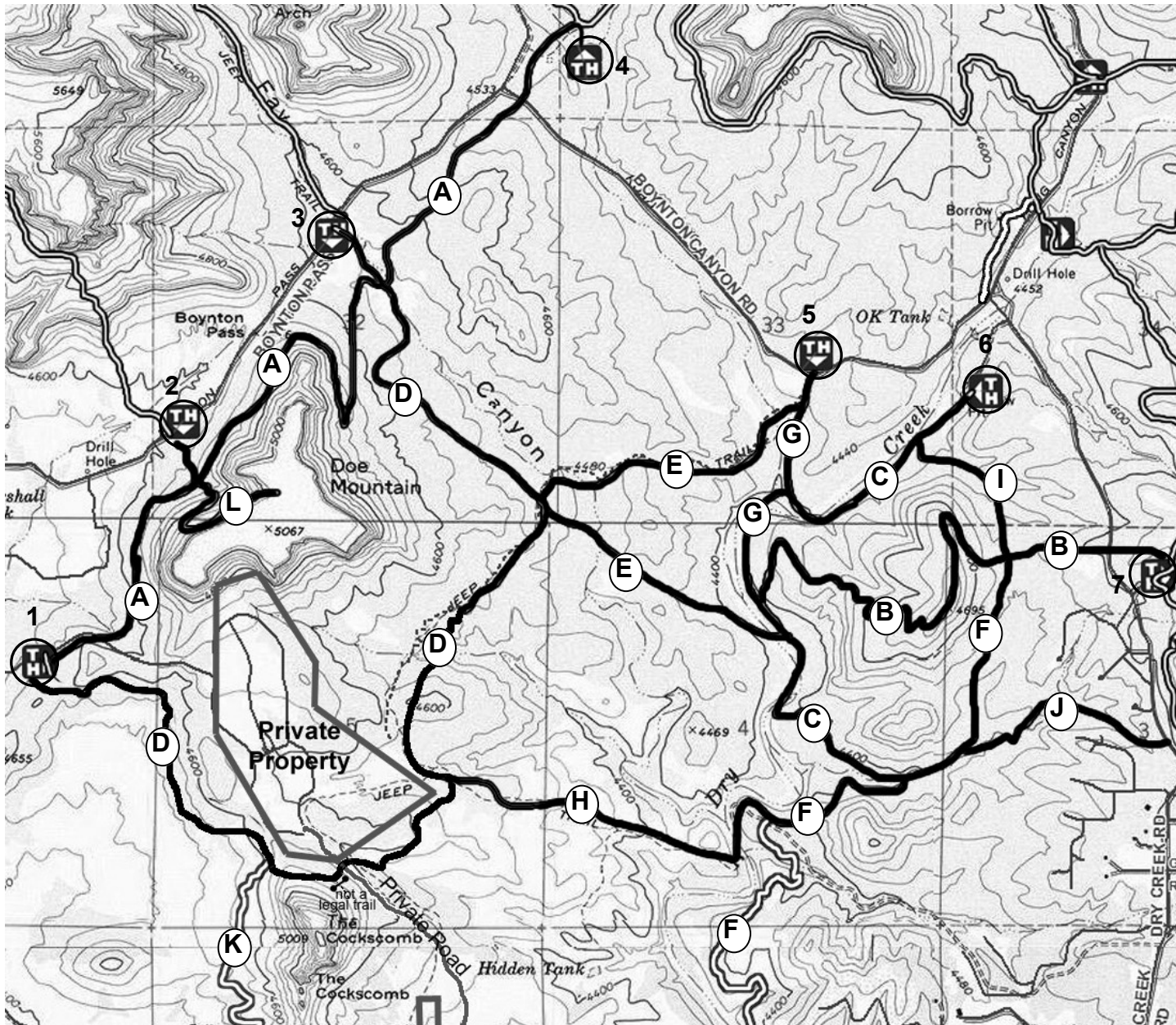


# Coconino National Forest Trail Guide - Cockscomb Area Trail System



**Length:** 2.5-16 miles    **Rating:** Easy to Strenuous

**Use:** Hiking, bicycling,    **Season:** Year 'round

**Hiking time:** 1-6 hours depending on route(s)

**USGS Maps:** Wilson Mt.

**Notes:** A Red Rock Pass is required to park at the Boynton Canyon, Doe/Bear Mountain and Dry Creek Vista Trailheads (Circled). Respect private property boundaries.

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This interconnected series of trails lies at the northern edge of Sedona near Dry Creek. Included are the (A) **Aerie**, (B) **Anaconda** (to the Girdner trail), (C) **Arizona Cypress**, (D) **Cockscomb**, (E) **Dawa**, (F) **Girdner**, (G) **OK**, (H) **Rupp**, (I) **Snake**, (J) **Two Fence**, (K) **Outer Limits**, (L) **Doe Mountain** Trails.

These trails may be reached using 1. **Aerie TH**, 2. **Bear/Doe Mnt TH**, 3. **Fay Canyon TH**, 4. **Boynton Canyon TH**, 5. **Dawa TH**, 6. **Arizona Cypress TH**, or 7. **Dry Creek Vista TH**. Various loop hikes/rides can be made by combining all or parts of multiple trails and a number of one-way hikes/rides can be made using arranged transportation at a second trailhead. In general, these trails are well suited to biking, have easy to moderate grades with little overall elevation change, are well signed, but have sparse shade. The **Aerie Trail** Begins from its trailhead off of Aerie Drive. The **Anaconda Trail** begins from the Dry Creek Vista trailhead crossing Dry Creek Road and continuing west over a small hill. The **Arizona Cypress Trail** begins at its trailhead by the old borrow pit and goes southwest over the level, sandy ground of a closed jeep road beside Dry Creek. At .7 miles, it intersects the south end of the OK Trail and continues southwest for another half mile where it meets the end of the Dawa Trail. Here,

the Arizona Cypress Trail turns southeast and continues .7 miles to its end at the Girdner Trail. There are nice views along the way. From its trailhead, the **Dawa Trail** goes south a short way before bending to the west along a closed jeep road with some good views. It meets the Cockscomb Trail at .9 miles and turns sharply southeast to follow it for 100 feet. The Cockscomb Trail then splits off to the southwest and the Dawa Trail continues southeast for .8 miles before ending at the Arizona Cypress Trail beside Dry Creek. The **Cockscomb Trail** goes south from its trailhead along a jeep road for .3 miles, bends west for .2 miles, then goes southeast along a closed jeep road skirting the face of Doe Mountain. It intersects the Dawa Trail at 1 mile, turns to the southwest, and ends at 1.8 miles near the Cockscomb. From here, the Cockscomb Trail continues along the old road as the **Rupp Trail**. It bends to the east and there are nice views all around as it crosses a broad, open expanse before ending at 1.2 miles as it drops down into the Dry Creek drainage and meets the Girdner Trail. The **OK, Trail Two Fences, and Snake Trails** are short connector trails which can provide variety in making up various routes.