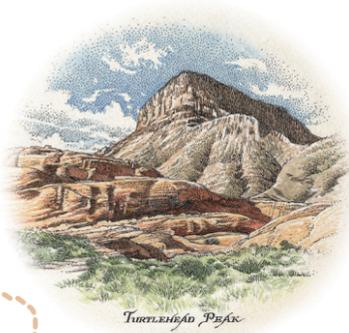
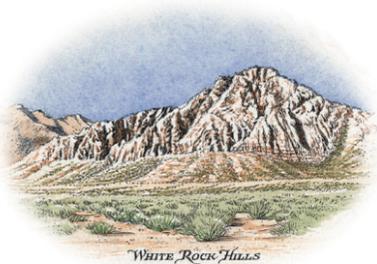
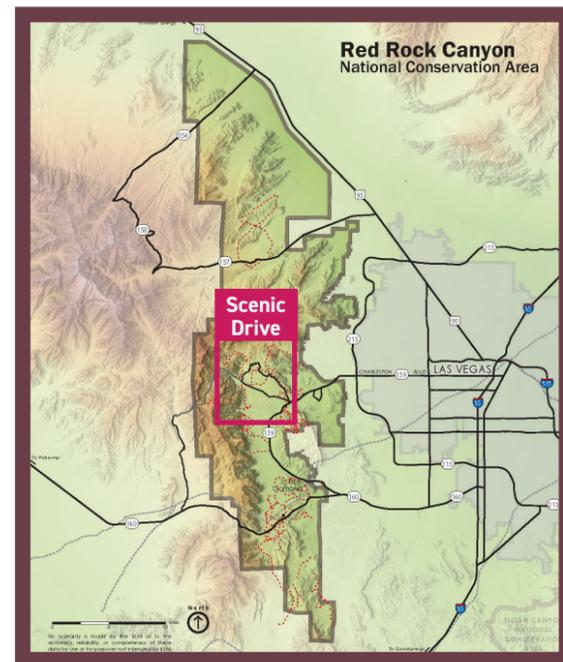
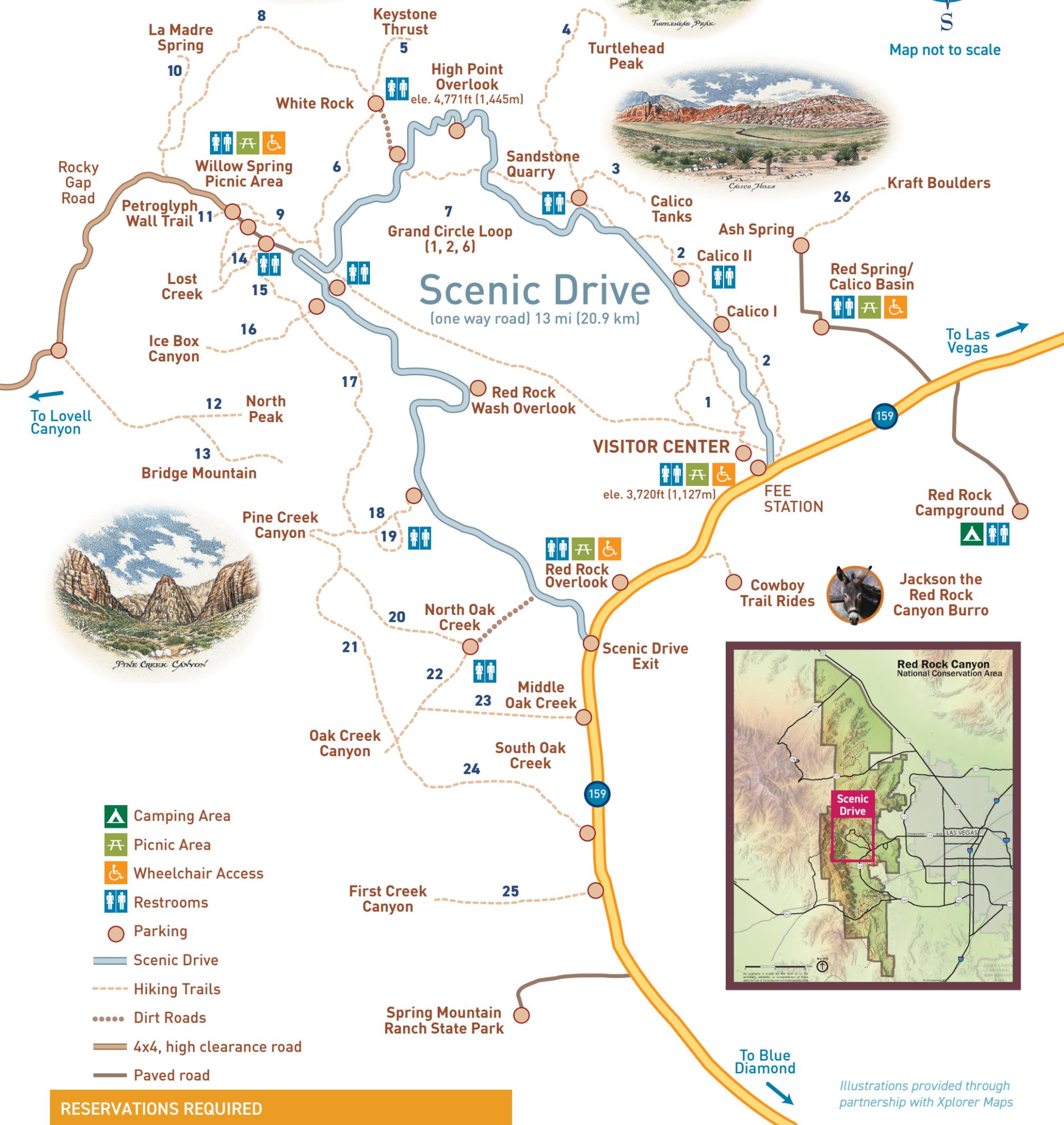


# SCENIC DRIVE. ONE WAY ROAD, 13 MI (20.9 KM)



Map not to scale



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## RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

To ensure maximum enjoyment and protect natural resources, reservations are required May-Oct, 8 am-5 pm and can be made at [recreation.gov](http://recreation.gov).

## RED ROCK BY CAR

### IT'S NOT CALLED THE SCENIC DRIVE FOR NOTHING...

Welcome to Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area! Whether you are hiking, rock climbing or just enjoying the scenery along the Scenic Drive, Red Rock Canyon has some of the best sights and experiences the Mojave Desert has to offer. Plan your route carefully, as the scenic drive is a one-way only roadway.

## PLEASE REMEMBER:

- Maximum speed limit is 35 mph – Please regard all posted signs.
- Share the road – Help keep you and your fellow motorists, bicyclists, runners and wildlife safe. Slower vehicles keep right.
- Only park in designated lots – If a lot is full, please do not park off the road or atop vegetation as many plants can take decades to regrow if they come back at all.

**DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR CAR.**



# TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS. HIKING GUIDES AVAILABLE IN VISITOR CENTER

Georeferenced maps available at [blm.gov/maps/georeferenced-PDFs](http://blm.gov/maps/georeferenced-PDFs) or through the Avenza Maps app

## ⚠️ TAKE CAUTION AND BE ALERT: TRAILS MAY CONTAIN LARGE CLIFFS OR DROP-OFFS.

Trail Name	Trail # on map	Parking Lot/ Trailhead	Round Trip Distance	Approx. Hike Time	Elevation Gain	Description/Highlights
<b>EASY</b>						
Moenkopi	1	○ Visitor Center	2 mi (3.2 km)	1.5 hours	300 ft (90 m)	This trail starts west of the Visitor Center near the picnic area. It offers panoramic views of the Calico Hills, the Spring Mountains, and La Madre Mountains.
Willow Spring Loop	9	○ Willow Spring Picnic Area ○ Lost Creek	1.5 mi (2.4 km)	1.25 hours	200 ft (60 m)	This trail passes several pictographs and agave roasting pits on both sides of the canyon. 
Petroglyph Wall Trail	11	○ Willow Spring Picnic Area	.15 mi (.24 km)	30 minutes	26 ft (7.9 m)	The trail starts across from the Willow Spring Picnic Area near the juniper fence turn around. The petroglyph wall is across the wash adjacent to a large juniper tree. 
Lost Creek - Children's Discovery	14	○ Lost Creek	.75 mi (1.2 km)	55 minutes	200 ft (60 m)	This moderately easy trail is a wonderful place to explore because of the variety of plant life and a number of cultural sites. Depending on the season, there may be a waterfall based on recent rain or snowpack. Also look for a pictograph and an agave roasting pit site. This trail is a combination of rocky, uneven terrain and a boardwalk trail. 
Fire Ecology	19	○ Pine Creek Canyon	.75 mi (1.2 km)	55 minutes	200 ft (60 m)	This trail branches off the Pine Creek Canyon Trail. It is a short, figure eight trail that goes through a stand of ponderosa pine where a prescribed fire took place. 
Oak Creek Canyon	22	○ North Oak Creek	2 mi (3.2 km)	1.5 hours	200 ft (60 m)	From the Scenic Drive, turn on to the dirt road leading to the Oak Creek Canyon parking lot and start the trail from there. The Oak Creek trail heads through open desert and is a good wildflower viewing site during the spring.
<b>MODERATE</b>						
Calico Hills	2	○ Calico I ○ Calico II ○ Sandstone Quarry ○ Visitor Center	2-6 mi (3.2 - 9.6 km)	1.5 - 3.5 hours	400 ft (120 m)	This trail offers access to sport climbing areas and the best close-up views of the Calico Hills. 
Calico Tanks	3	○ Sandstone Quarry	2.5 mi (4 km)	2 hours	450 ft (140 m)	From the parking lot, follow the trail that winds through the wash. There may be seasonal water present in a natural tank (tinaja) at the end. This trail offers sweeping views of the Las Vegas valley. 
Keystone Thrust	5	○ Upper White Rock	2.2 mi (3.5 km)	1.5 hours	400 ft (120 m)	The Keystone Thrust is one of the most significant geological features of Red Rock Canyon.
White Rock - Willow Spring	6	○ Upper White Rock ○ Willow Spring Picnic Area	4.4 mi (7 km)	2.5 hours	200 ft (60 m)	The trail starts at either the Upper White Rock parking lot or the Willow Spring Picnic Area. This is a great trail for wildlife viewing due to the presence of year-round springs. 
La Madre Spring	10	○ Willow Spring Picnic Area	3.3 mi (5.2 km)	2 hours	400 ft (120 m)	From the parking area, walk up a portion of the 4x4 Rocky Gap Road. The springs are a great place to watch for wildlife, including bighorn sheep. 
SMYC	15	○ Lost Creek ○ Ice Box Canyon	2.2 mi (3.5 km)	2 hours	300 ft (90 m)	This trail connects the Lost Creek and Icebox Canyon trails. It follows the terrain at the base of the escarpment.
Dale's	17	○ Ice Box Canyon ○ Pine Creek Canyon	4.4 mi (7 km)	2.5 hours	300 ft (90 m)	This trail connects the Ice Box Canyon and Pine Creek Canyon trails. It follows the terrain at the base of the escarpment.
Pine Creek Canyon	18	○ Pine Creek Canyon	3 mi (4.8 km)	2 hours	300 ft (90 m)	This trail takes you across the open desert, past an old homestead site and into the meadow. A one mile loop will bring you back to the homestead. From there, follow the trail for one mile back to the parking lot. 
Arnight	20	○ Oak Creek Canyon	2.4 mi [3.8 km]	1.5 hours	300 ft [90 m]	This trail can be started at the Oak Creek Canyon parking lot or by hiking the Pine Creek Canyon Trail. It connects the Oak Creek parking lot the the end loop of the Pine Creek Canyon Trail.
Knoll	21	○ Oak Creek Canyon	3.5 mi (5.6 km)	2.5 hours	300 ft (90 m)	The shortest and easiest way to access this trail is by taking the Oak Creek Canyon Trail. This trail links the upper section of the Arnight Trail with the Oak Creek Canyon Trail, following the base of the escarpment.
<b>DIFFICULT</b>						
Turtlehead Peak	4	○ Sandstone Quarry	5 mi (8 km)	3.5 - 4.5 hours	2,000 ft (600 m)	From the parking lot, follow trail across the wash and through the sandstone rock formations and up the gulch toward a prominent rock formation at the saddle. Once you are above the rock formation, the trail splits, forming a loop that takes you to the summit and back to the rock formation where you will continue back down the way you came. 
Grand Circle Loop	7	○ Visitor Center	11.3 mi (18.2 km)	5 - 6 hours	1,095 ft (334 m)	The Grand Circle Loop is a combination of trails that will take you from one point and bring you back to that point. See the information desk for a detailed description.
White Rock/ La Madre Spring Loop	8	○ Upper White Rock ○ Willow Spring Picnic Area ○ Lost Creek	6 mi (9.6 km)	3.5 hrs	890 ft (270 m)	The north side of White Rock is one of the best areas for viewing bighorn sheep. You can connect to the La Madre Spring Trail to see a year-round spring. 
North Peak	12	○ Willow Spring Picnic Area	10 mi (16 km)	5 hours	2,442 ft (744 m)	Starting from the parking lot, proceed up Rocky Gap Road to the summit and take the Bridge Mountain Trail to the North Peak junction 1.1 miles. When you get to the summit, enjoy the view and then follow your tracks back down to Willow Spring.
Bridge Mountain	13	○ Willow Spring Picnic Area	14 mi (22.5 km)	6-7 hours	2,412 ft (744 m)	From the parking lot, proceed up Rocky Gap Road to the summit and take the Bridge Mountain Trail to Bridge Mountain. There is a class four rock scramble that must be traversed to get to the peak. See the information desk for a detailed description. 
Ice Box Canyon	16	○ Icebox Canyon	2.6 mi (4.1 km)	2 hours	300 ft (90 m)	This trail crosses the open desert then enters the canyon. Hiking the canyon requires some tricky boulder hopping all the way back to where you may find a waterfall based on recent rain or snowpack. 
<b>TRAILS FOUND OUTSIDE OF THE SCENIC DRIVE</b>						
Middle Oak Creek	23	○ Middle Oak Creek	4 mi (6.4 km)	3 hours	187 ft (57 m)	The trailhead is located outside of the Scenic Loop Drive on SR-159 at mile marker 8. Walk through the opening in the fence and follow the trail across the open desert toward the escarpment and the juncture of the Oak Creek Trail.
South Oak Creek	24	○ South Oak Creek	5 mi (8 km)	3.5 hours	331 ft (101 m)	From the South Oak Creek trailhead located on SR-159, walk down the old campground road to the trailhead. Proceed through the tree line and into the open desert. The trail loops around Potato Knoll and returns to the trailhead in approximately 5 miles.
First Creek Canyon	25	○ First Creek Canyon	3 mi (4.8 km)	2 hours	300 ft (90 m)	The trailhead is on SR-159, 2.6 mi (4.1 km) southwest of the exit to the Scenic Loop Drive. The trail leads to the mouth of the canyon. Seasonal streams may be seen flowing through the trees from the trail. 
Kraft Boulders	26	○ Kraft Mountain	1.5 mi (2.4 km)	1 hour	50 ft (15.2 m)	This trail starts at the end of Sandstone Drive within Calico Basin. Follow the trail east through a ravine and along the basin of Kraft Mountain to see gorgeously colored & shaped sandstone boulders. This is a popular spot for bouldering & rock climbing. 
Red Spring Boardwalk	27	○ Red Spring/Calico Basin	.5 mi [.8 km]	30 minutes	50 ft [15.2 m]	Enjoy rare salt grass as well as a year-round running spring. This spring supports numerous water dependent plants and wildlife. 

 Take Caution and be alert: Trails may contains large cliffs or drop-offs.

 Wildlife is commonly seen on this trail.

 Accessible trail.

 Seasonal waterfalls or unique water features may be present depending on the time of year.

 Place of archaeological or cultural significance.



**EASY:**  
Minimal uphill sections and some uneven terrain.



**MODERATE:**  
Uphill sections include up to 500 ft of elevation gain; single digit mileage; uneven terrain and some rock scrambling.



**DIFFICULT:**  
Generally, lots of uphill sections; possibly more than 1000 ft of elevation gain; double digit mileage and/or difficult terrain and rock scrambling.