

Route instructions:

1. Reset your GPS unit as you go through Gate 5.
2. Within the first 100 yards, turn left, descend a short hill and cross the drainage. After you go up a short climb on the far side of the drainage, a trail that follows the Martinez Canyon rim should emerge.
3. This trail is locally known as the "Boy Scout Trail" and is a wonderful and easily accessible trail to hike or run.
4. At mile 1.7 there is a small stream. You can find a way across 20 or 30 yards downstream.
5. At mile 2.4 you will intersect another trail (Martinez Spur Trail). If you are directionally challenged or want to make sure your feet stay dry, this may be a good point to turn around and retrace your steps. For those seeking to explore further, turn left at this "Tee" junction and descend the hill.
6. At the bottom of the hill you will hit a creek. Go straight along this "Creek Trail" with the creek on your left.
7. At mile 2.95 you will cross a small drainage and intersect another trail (Silk Thread). Turn right at this "Tee" junction and follow the drainage.
8. At mile 3.8 you will pass a frog pond on your right and will intersect an old jeep road (lower Newt Jack Road – FR 923). Turn right onto this road.
9. At mile 4.83 you will arrive back at Gate 5 and your vehicle.