

Vámonos / Find Water! - Santa Fe Canyon Preserve

A pleasant walk from Cerro Gordo Trailhead through The Nature Conservancy's Santa Fe Canyon Preserve, with return via Dale Ball Trails.

A round trip of 1½ miles of easy to moderately-difficult hiking on natural-surface trails. Dale Ball Trails 6 Santa Fe Canyon Preserve The Nature Conservancy Cerro Gordo Trailhead Two Mile Bypass Channe

- 1. Start/Finish: Cerro Gordo Trailhead (Cerro Gordo Rd. & Upper Canyon Rd).
- 2. Head into Preserve from east end of parking lot, proceed to left to Two-Mile Pond overlook.
- 3. Enjoy the beaver dam, then proceed via "Avoid Mud" route.
- 4. Old Stone Dam with overlooks and crossing of the Santa Fe River via stepping stones.
- 5. Junction with trail to Audubon Center head left to trail along metal sediment fence.
- 6. Pond overlook from sediment fence trail.
- 7. Examine fossil stone on right, at end of sediment fence.
- 8. Arrive at Dal Ball Trails, Junction 28: Take a left to head back down to the Santa Fe River.
- 9. Former site of Two-Mile Dam Check out monument and enjoy the shade of some ancient apple trees nearby.
- 10. Cross Santa Fe River via footbridge to return to trailhead.