



- Trail run route
- - - Other intersecting trails and roads



CONTOUR INTERVAL 40 FEET

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South Baldy Ridge

Distance: 18.5 miles, Climb: 4650 (Table distances in miles.)

Start	Water Canyon C.G	12.2	South Baldy summit. To get there, head for what looks like human-made equipment, if you can see it.
0.1	Cross cattle guard, go up FR 39		
0.4	Stay on FR 39, taking a couple right forks., not left on FR 406.	12.5	Go downslope EAST from South Baldy, cross-country to FR 235.
1.0	Washed out canyon.	12.5	If you are protective of knees and ankles, you can go down the jeep road from S. Baldy to the top of FR 235, which will add a few tenths of a mile.
2.0	Mining road to Right. Stay left, following FR 39 sign.		
2.7	Berms block old road ahead. Bear sharp right on FR 39, cross canyon.	12.6	Parking area for FR 8 trailhead. RD may stash water here. Continue downhill of FR 235.
4.0	Steep rocky road, thru open gate.		
4.2	Cabin ruins, spring, last water.	13.5	Upper trail head for South Baldy Trail, FT 11, on left. TAKE THIS TRAIL. DO NOT STAY ON ROAD! Do not go down East Sawmill trail 93 to right.
5.2	Pass old mine at switchback.		
6.0	Old mine. Route switches back LEFT just before mine.	16.5	Lower trailhead for FT 11. Generally speaking, first mile from top is steep and rocky. Second mile is less steep, but may be overgrown (and rocky). Third mile is rocky and eroded in canyon. Trail drops about 750-800 meters (2500 feet) in 3 miles.
6.5	Jeep road. Bear LEFT! (PLEASE!)		
6.6	Trail 8 starts. Overgrown. North Baldy is on your right.		
6.7	FT 8 crosses meadow at constant elevation. Follow cairns next mile.	16.1	Pass trailhead for FR 25 on right.
7.7	Saddle, old sign.	17.5	Small pond on right.
9.7	Hop Canyon junction. Take farthest LEFT!	17.8	Cross Water Canyon drainage.
9.9	Mill Canyon junction. Stay on FT 8.	18.0	Pass Water Canyon Mesa trail (FT 13) on right. Parking area and outhouse on left.
11.2	Copper Canyon junction on left. Stay on FT 8.	18.3	Cattle guard.
11.6	Clearing. Leave trail climb S. Baldy.	18.5	Cross Water Canyon dry drainage again. Finish.
11.8	If you switchback thru meadow and hit a FT 8 sign, and trail goes back into trees, you went too far. Backtrack to 11.6 and go uphill thru trees.		