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# Welcome to White Tank Mountain Regional Park

The freestanding, deeply serrated, 4000-foothigh White Tank Mountains separate the Phoenix Basin of the Salt River Valley from the Hassayampa Plain. Floodwaters have scoured out a series of depressions, or "tanks," in the white granite rock, thus the name of the mountains.

## **Nature Center**

The **Nature Center**, located in the new Regional Library, offers maps, trail information, annual passes, refreshments, animal displays, and souvenirs. First aid and a phone are available.

The **Amphitheater** is located behind the Nature Center; it is primarily used for educational programs presented by the Interpretive Ranger. For information on programs, visit our website.

## **Picnicking**

**Picnic Areas** 1-3, 5, 6, 8-10 have tables (some in small shelters), grills, restrooms, and water. Area 6 has a playground. (The numbers on the map refer to the numbered restrooms; tables are nearby)

**Group Picnic Areas** 3 and 4 have ramadas. Each has a fire ring, activity court, grill, electricity, and four tables. Area 4 also has a playground. Area 7 ramadas have two tables each. Each ramada can be reserved for a fee.

#### Camping

The **Youth Group Area** features tent sites with facilities. By reservation only for a fee.

The **Family Campground** offers 40 campsites with tables, grills, fire ring, water, and 30 and 50 amp hookups. Restrooms and showers. Dump station. Reservations available:

https://www.maricopacountyparks.net/ or (602) 506-2930.

The **Group Campground** features ramadas, tables, activity court, fire ring, BBQ grills, electric service, restroom with showers, and large parking area. Non-refundable reservation fee, plus an additional nightly fee per unit; by reservation only. No hookups or dump station. For reservations: (623) 935-2505.

The new **Willow Campground** is geared towards tent walk-in camping, vans, and vehicles with small trailers, allowing for a more rustic experience. Restrooms, showers and a dishwashing station are available.

# Trails

The **Trailhead Staging Area** has horse facilities, tables, and a portable toilet. The park offers 33 miles of shared-use trails of varied difficulty. Some may be extremely difficult for horses and bikes.

The Black Rock Short Loop and the first halfmile of Waterfall Trail are **barrier-free trails**. The Short Loop is also an interpretive trail describing flora and ancient petroglyphs.

Note: Travel can be arduous if you are not prepared. Always carry plenty of water, use sun protection, and let someone know where you are going. Please enter the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office phone number (602)-876-1000 into your phone before hiking. For emergency, dial 911.

## Competitive Track

The Competitive Track provides challenging,

