

# TONTO National Forest



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Guide

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HIKING AND TRAIL RIDING

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## OAK TRAIL 16

### RANGER DISTRICT

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### TRAILHEADS (TH)

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### TERMINI INFORMATION

**East end:** (5320 feet elevation): at Pine Trailhead

**West end:** (5700 feet elevation): at Forest Road (FR) 428

### TRAIL INFORMATION

**Trail use:** Moderate

**Trail difficulty:** More difficult

**Trail length:** 5 miles

**Estimated hiking time:** 1½ hour one-way

**Season of Use:** Spring - fall

**USGS maps:** Pine, Buckhead Mesa

**Elevation change:** 380 feet

### TRAIL NARRATIVE

Traveling west from the Pine Trailhead, it is 3 miles to Oak Spring. Traveling south from Forest Road (FR) 428, it is 2 miles to Oak Spring.

### CONSIDERATIONS

- No motorized vehicles are allowed
- If you PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT!!**
- Carry an adequate supply of drinking water. One gallon/per person/per day is recommended during hot periods.
- Do not drink untreated water. Giardia, a protozoan, is in many water impoundments and streams.
- Portions of the trail are rough in places and should be traveled with caution.
- Caution should be used after rains, because the trail turns to mud quickly and could cause problems for horses.
- Use extreme caution when crossing State Highway 87.

### ATTRACTIONS

- This trail is part of the Arizona Trail
- Oak Spring is a beautiful wooded setting

### RELATED INFORMATION SOURCES

- Visitors Guide to Mogollon Rim*, Southwest Natural & Cultural Heritage
- Arizona's Mogollon Rim*, Don Dederer, Arizona Highways Books

