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States: Arizona

Counties: Santa Cruz

Length: 5miles

Trail end points: Sonoita Creek State Natural Area to Sonoita Creek State Natural Area

Trail surfaces: Dirt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Horseback Riding, Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Sonoita Creek State Natural Area is located along the town limits of Patagonia, Arizona. From town, take Blue Heaven Road to the visitor center, or call (520) 287-2791.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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