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Guides



**Santa Cruz
Loop**
Arizona



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About the Route

The Santa Cruz Loop offers more than 40 miles of pathway along both sides of the river, which is a dry wash during most of the year. Much of the paved trail is paralleled by a soft-surface path preferred by equestrians and joggers.

Connections



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States: Arizona

Counties: Pima

Length: 41.8miles

Trail end points: N Sanders Rd (Marana) to W Valencia Rd (Tucson)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Bike, Horseback Riding, Inline Skating, Walking, Wheelchair Accessible

Parking & Trail Access

The Santa Cruz Loop runs between N Sanders Rd (Marana) and W Valencia Rd (Tucson).

Parking is available at the numerous locations along the trail, including:

- the ballfields off El Camino del Cerro west of the river
- Christopher Columbus Park off Silverbell Road
- off Riverview Boulevard just north of where it meets Apache Drive
- at the end of Ontario Street at Riverside Road
- a trailhead shared with the Julian Wash Greenway on Santa Cruz Lane (south of Silverlake Road)

Visit the [TrailLink map](#) for all options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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