

Organ Pipe Cactus

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Planning Your Accessible Visit

The following is offered as a guide only. Be aware of your own capabilities and plan your visit accordingly. If you are accompanied by a service dog, your leashed dog is welcome anywhere you visit.

Visitor Center

The Kris Eggle Visitor Center is a good place to begin your visit. The lobby, auditorium, exhibits, and bookstore area are fully accessible. For the visually impaired there is a relief map of the monument and a touch table with a variety of items. Drinking fountains outside the building are fully accessible. Restrooms in a nearby building are accessible with assistance.

Behind the Kris Eggle Visitor Center is an accessible roadway, hard-surfaced nature trail suitable for scooters and wheelchairs. This level, gently winding trail offers close views of many plants and birds native to the Sonoran Desert.

Twin Peaks Campground

Twin Peaks, the main campground, is located 1-1/2 miles from the visitor center. All restrooms and drinking water facilities within the 208 site campground are fully accessible. Four sites have picnic tables designed for wheelchair and scooter users; these sites are located nearest the restrooms. Some of these sites also have raised tent pads

which may be inconvenient. Persons desiring a more level space may request another site.

The group campground has one restroom accessible with assistance. Group sites 1 and 2 are level and may be considered accessible.

Amphitheater

Located near the southwest corner of Twin Peaks Campground, the amphitheater is the site of evening programs and other special events. The

300 foot trail is paved, but fairly steep; some assistance may be desirable. Two centrally located paved areas are designed for wheelchair or scooter use.

Scenic Drives

The 21 mile Ajo Mountain Drive and North Puerto Blanco Drive (10 mile round trip) are graded dirt roads with interpretive pullouts. An interpretive guidebook is available for the Ajo Mountain Drive. Here, at the approximate half way point,

Estes Canyon picnic area has an "accessible with assistance" picnic table and pit toilet. An accessible picnic area with pit toilet restroom facilities is located at the 5 mile turn-around on Puerto Blanco Drive. Wayside exhibits on this drive may be considered accessible.

Remote Locations

Other areas of interest may include Alamo Canyon primitive campground. Although the tent sites may be considered accessible, use of the pit toilet facilities may require assistance. The dirt road to

Bates Well at the northern end of the monument is infrequently maintained and recommended for 4 WD vehicles only. There are no special facilities for mobility impaired visitors at this location.

Hiking Trails

Some trails are a combination of old mining roads and hiking trails, and cover somewhat level to gently rolling terrain. Portions of the Campground Perimeter and Palo Verde hiking trails may be

considered "accessible with assistance" to some wheelchair users. Please ask a staff member for recommendations if you are unfamiliar with these trails.