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Ranger-led Hikes at Fort Bowie National Historic Site

Fort Bowie commemorates its 150th anniversary in 2012 and to observe this historic occasion, guided hikes into the site will be offered twice monthly. Beginning January 15th and continuing every other Sunday through April, a park ranger will meet visitors at the Fort Bowie trailhead on Apache Pass Road at 10:00 a.m. The hikes will focus primarily on the chronology of events that led to the establishment of the Fort, including the Bascom Affair and the Battle of Apache Pass.

The ranger-led hikes are free and open to both individuals and groups. The distance from the trailhead parking lot to the fort ruins is approximately 3.0-miles (round-trip). Visitors are encouraged to bring water, a snack or picnic lunch, a hiking stick, sun protection, and a camera. Layered clothing is advised as weather conditions this time of year are variable.

Fort Bowie NHS is located off Apache Pass Road. From Willcox, travel 22 miles south on State Route 186 to Apache Pass Road. Turn left on Apache Pass Road and travel eight miles along the dirt road to the trailhead parking lot. From Bowie, travel 14 miles south on Apache Pass Road to the trailhead parking lot. Apache Pass Road turns into a gravel road approximately 12 miles from Bowie.

For more information, contact the Fort Bowie National Historic Site Visitor Center: 520-847-2500 x1.

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