



— **GRANITE MOUNTAIN** —
HOTSHOTS
— **MEMORIAL STATE PARK** —



Nineteen brave Hotshots gave their lives protecting their community. While we can never repay our debt to these heroes, we can honor them every day. Arizona is proud to offer a public space where we can pay tribute to them for generations to come.

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HIKERS: This is a "one-way" trail, not a loop.

You must hike up and back to the parking area.

The trail is seven miles round-trip, please dress appropriately, bring adequate water, food and plan for a five hour round-trip hike. There is no access to drinking water along the trail. Those making the seven-mile hike should begin before 12p.m. and carry a flashlight in the event hiking out after dark becomes necessary.

TRAIL DESCRIPTION:

From the trailhead, the Hotshots Trail is a 2.85 mile path up to the Observation Deck. Every 600 feet, 19 granite plaques set into rocks share a photo and a story of each fallen Hotshot. Additional interpretive signage provides information about wildland firefighting.

From the Observation Deck, you can see the Fatality Site 400' below and the Town of Yarnell to the east. Additional interpretive signage outlines the tragic events of the Yarnell Hill Fire. A Tribute Wall will be available to leave stickers, patches and other mementos in honor of the sacrifice the Granite Mountain Hotshots made to protect our community.

The 3/4-mile Journey Trails allows you to follow the last steps of the Hotshots down to the Fatality Site where they made their last stand. Encircling the Fatality Site, 19 gabions, one for each Hotshot, are united by chains representing their eternal team. A path surrounds the gabions and a memorial flagpole. Please, take a moment to pay your respects, but remain outside of the gabion enclosure out of respect for the Hotshots and their families.

After visiting the park, please be sure to explore Yarnell to visit some of the wonderful restaurants, stores and galleries. Support local business!

THANK YOU!

