

Boyce Thompson Arboretum

The Boyce Thompson Arboretum is a 320-acre living classroom located off of Highway 60 just east of Gold Canyon. Their mission is "to instill in people an appreciation of plants through the fostering of educational, recreational, research and conservation opportunities associated with arid land plants."

The arboretum is located near milepost #223 on US Highway 60, a one-hour drive due east of Phoenix or about 90 minutes from the North side of Tucson via Oracle Road to highway 79 North past Florence to the crossroads with highway 60 -- then another 12 miles East on highway 60.

ADMISSION is \$7.50 for adults and \$3 for ages 5-12, and free to children younger than age 5.

HOURS during hot months of May, June, July and August are 6:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. daily, with the day's last admission accepted and last visitors admitted at 2:00 p.m. so they have an hour to enjoy the trails. From September 1 through the end of April admission is taken daily from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., then the Arboretum closes promptly at 5:00 p.m.

PICNIC tables and grills are available for visitors to use. PETS are welcome - provided they remain leashed at all times and are well-behaved.

For more information visit the Arboretum's website.