

## New Mexico / Abiquiu

# Ghost Ranch Trails

DISTANCE: XXX miles

ELEVATION GAIN: XXX feet

ROUTE TYPE: XXX

Map	Trail Name	Difficulty	Route Type	Distance	Elev. Gain
1	Chimney Rock Trail	Moderate	Out & Back	2.6 mi / 4.2 km	715 ft
2	Pack Memorial Trail	Easy	Out & Back	0.1 mi / 0.1 km	90 ft
3	Box Canyon Trail	Moderate	Out & Back	2.6 mi / 4.2 km	310 ft
4	Kitchen Mesa Trail	Difficult	Out & Back	4.0 mi / 6.4 km	630 ft
5	Labyrinth	Easy	Out & Back	0.1 mi / 0.1 km	0 ft
6	Mesa Trail	Easy	Loop	0.2 mi / 0.3 km	50 ft
7	Camposanto Trail (part of Box Canyon Trail)	Easy	Out & Back	0.4 mi / 0.6 km	100 ft
8	Matrimonial Point Trail	Easy	Loop	2.3 mi / 5.0 km	265 ft
9	On a Lark Trail	Moderate	Out & Back	0.6 mi / 1.0 km	50 ft

### **1. Chimney Rock**

The trailhead sign and archway for this most popular hike are located behind the Museums, past the Corral Block complex. Cross the arroyo and follow the trail up the ridge. From the top, there is an excellent view of the Piedra Lumbre basin.

### **2. Pack Memorial**

This path climbs the mesa behind Ghost House. A plaque honors Arthur and Phoebe Pack who gave Ghost Ranch to the Presbyterian Church (USA) in 1955.

### **3. Box Canyon (TI B'UIU'U)**

Follow the road to Long House and continue past the Kitchen Mesa trail. Follow trail signs up the canyon. At a small pool, cross the arroyo where the trail continues on the right bank, over large rocks to the box of the canyon.

### **4. Kitchen Mesa**

The marked trail begins just past the chain across the road behind Arts Center. The trail goes behind Kitchen Mesa before it ascends to the top. This more difficult hike includes a 15-foot chimney through a cleft in the cliff.

### **5. Labyrinth, Karesansui (Zen Garden)**

Follow the path beyond the Social Center for 150 yards.

### **6. Mesa Trail**

This begins at the top of the road behind the main office building. This short walk of 30-45 minutes offers good views of the immediate campus as well as distant views of Pedernal and Polvadera. You can return via the Pack Memorial Trail.

### **7. Camposanto**

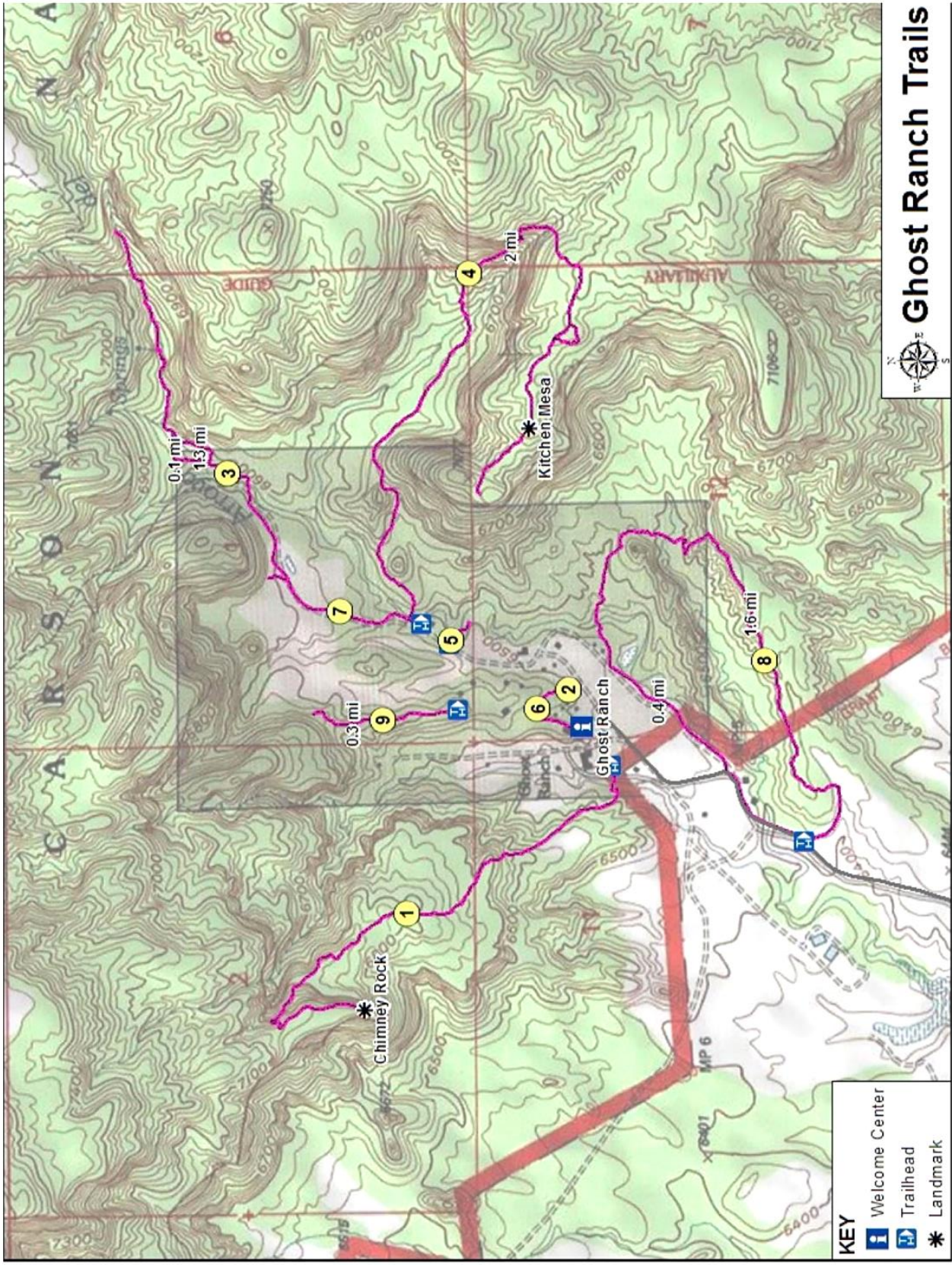
The Camposanto Wall is a sacred place dedicated to the memory of those who have loved Ghost Ranch. It is a place of remembrance that reflects the beauty and serenity of the canyon while respecting the integrity of the land that surrounds it. It is an enduring testament to the generations whose lives have been enriched by Ghost Ranch. Follow the instructions for the Box Canyon hike, until you reach a barbed wire fence. Go through the opening, immediately turn left and walk for approximately 100 yards.

### **8. Matrimonial Mesa**

This short, easy-to-access trail system affords spectacular views of the Ranch, Orphan Mesa and Piedra Lumbre basin. Peace and tranquility can be found just minutes into this hike as you are transported out of the Ranch and into the rolling red mounds at the base of the sandstone cliffs you see from the road. There are a number of side trails around and along the top of Matrimonial Mesa which gives you the freedom to create your own path. Begin at the trailhead (Matrimonial) on the road into the Ranch across from the High Ropes Course or the trailhead (Cliffside) behind Staff House near the Dining Hall.

### **9. On A Lark Trail**

This trail begins at the Lark Cabin at the topmost end of Upper Mesa. You may begin at the Pack Memorial Trail or any upper mesa access route. Follow a narrow ridge for ¼ mile then switch back up the broader mesa following the cairns (rock piles) to a large boulder at the ridge's high point (¾ miles at 6,800 feet).



# Ghost Ranch Trails