## Texas / Fort Davis

## Madera Canyon

DISTANCE: 2.8 miles ELEVATION GAIN: 270 feet ROUTE TYPE: Loop

Well marked trail but to me it was definately moderate. trying to accumulate to altitude and phew. the uphill till made to top was rocky and seemed to never end. definately take water and poles. view at top is very pretty. good hiking shoes a must because of rocks. mileage was accurate.

I really wanted to like the trail. And it started with running into up close encounter with several deer which was amazing. However, it was quite dry and the promised stream was dry. The trail was rocky and at places slanted, making fooling tiresome, but not difficult. I would go again during wetter seasons or if with inexperienced hikers who would benefit from the easy climb and short distance. Also- trail head actually starts at the pick nick area about a half mile east of the directions given by this ap.

Hiked this in mid-August on a cool day. Beautiful trail, less rocky than the trails at the state park. I would suggest wearing long pants if tall grass bothers you, as the grass was quite tall and close to the trail. We entered at the rest area just off of 118. The sign noted that dogs were not allowed on this trail.

