

TONTO National Forest



Recreation
Opportunity
Guide

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FISHING

EAST VERDE RIVER

RANGER DISTRICT

Payson Ranger Station
1009 East Highway 260
Payson, Arizona 85541
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RELATED OPPORTUNITIES

Camping, picnicking and water activities

SEASON OF USE

May-September

LOCATION AND ACCESS

RAP #5: FIRST CROSSING SITE: At the junction of State Hwy. 87 and Houston Mesa/Forest Road (FR) 199, turn east. Travel on FR 199, for 6 miles to the site.

RAP #3: SECOND CROSSING SITE: At the junction of State Hwy. 87 and Houston Mesa Road/FR 199, turn east. Travel on FR 199 for 8 ½ miles north to the site.

RAP #2: THIRD CROSSING SITE: At the junction of State Hwy. 87 and FR 199, turn east. Travel on FR 199 for 9 ½ miles north to the site.

RAP #4: WATER WHEEL SITE: At the junction of State Hwy. 87 and Houston Mesa/ FR 199, turn east. Travel on FR 199 for 7 miles north to the site.

RAP #1: VERDE GLEN SITE: At the junction of State Hwy. 87 and Houston Mesa/FR 199, turn east. Travel on FR 199 for 10 miles and turn east (right) on FR 64 and follow it to the site.

Hwy. 87, near Mile Marker #257 (south of the East Verde River), turn right (east) on to FR 272. Continue traveling on FR 272 for a mile to the site.

RAP #7: EAST VERDE PICNIC SITE: At the junction of State Hwy. 87, just north of the East Verde River, turn west on East Verde Estates Road/FR 622; drive ¼ mile to the picnic site.

INTRODUCED SPORT FISH PRESENT

Rainbow Trout

CONSIDERATIONS

- Elevation is approximately 4900 feet.
- Fishing is best in May & June prior to the dropping of the water levels and the warmer temperatures
- Arizona Game and Fish Department regularly stocks the creek, mid-April until late August.
- No trash service: **PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT!!**

NEAREST COMMERCIAL SERVICES

Payson: All services

RELATED INFORMATION SOURCES

- Visitors Guide to *Mogollon Rim*, Southwest Natural & Cultural Heritage
- Arizona Mogollon Rim*, Arizona Highways



RAP #6: FLOWING SPRING SITE: On State