



Desert Scavenger Hunt

Kofa National Wildlife Refuge

Welcome to Kofa National Wildlife Refuge! Can you find these plants, animals and natural objects along the Palm Canyon Trail and at the refuge headquarters?

Many types of wildlife are found on Kofa National Wildlife Refuge. Please be safe and respect their home by:

- Leaving things as you find them. Do not take anything, including vegetation.
- Keeping the refuge clean. Please do not litter.
- Staying on the trail.

Palm Canyon Trail

Search for along the trail (check off items):

Plants

Tree _____

Challenge: Palo verde (green trunk and branches) _____

Shrub _____

Challenge: Wolfberry (small reddish orange berries) _____

Cactus _____

Challenge: Saguaro (tall – up to 50 feet high, columnar) _____

Prickly pear (short with flat pads) _____

Barrel cactus (red spines) _____

Animals

Lizard _____

Bird (by sight or sound) _____

What other wildlife do you see? _____

Other

Cave _____

What might live in here? _____

Hole _____

What might live in here? _____

Scat (animal dung) _____



At the end of the trail

California fan palms _____

How many do you see? _____

Binoculars bonus! Look at the palms using binoculars or a spotting scope. Can you see:

Dead palm leaves _____

Blackened palm trunks (burn marks) _____

Kofa National Wildlife Refuge Headquarters

Look for

Desert bighorn sheep _____

Bat _____

Desert tortoise _____

Desert horned lizard _____

Challenge: The desert horned lizard is active during the day.
Is this similar to or dissimilar from other animals on Kofa NWR?

Predator _____

Migratory species _____

Pollinator _____

Challenge: Why are pollinators important? _____

Quartz crystals _____

Volcanic rock _____

Press a button and listen for:

Western screech owl _____

Coyote _____

Bonus questions:

What desert is Kofa NWR part of? _____

What are two other refuges located near Kofa NWR? _____

Who is responsible for the conservation of plants, animals and habitats at Kofa NWR? _____

For Further Information

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