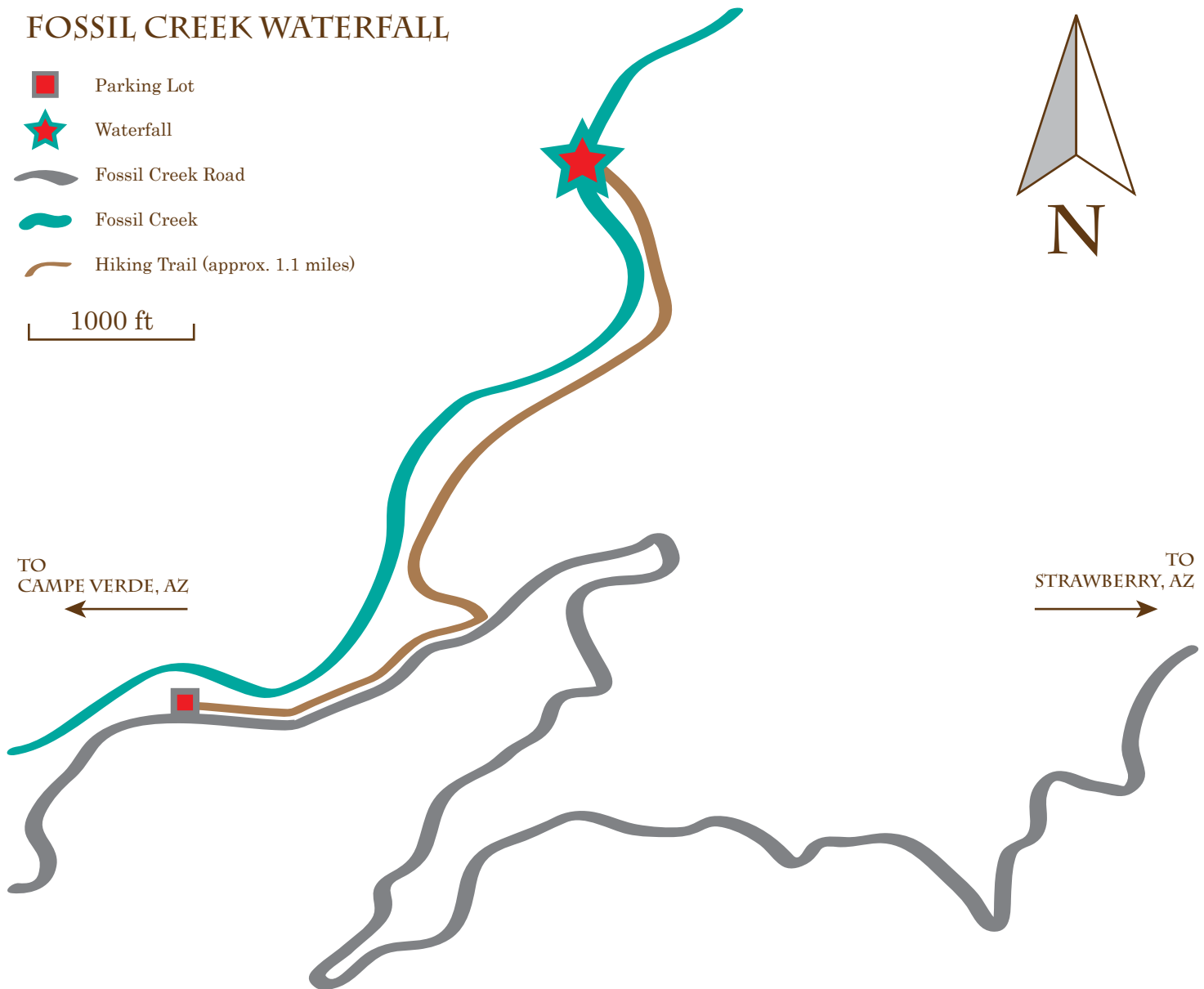
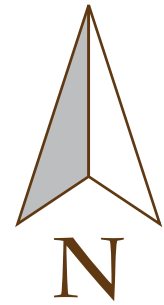


FOSSIL CREEK WATERFALL



FROM PHOENIX OR FLAGSTAFF:

- Exit the 17 at Camp Verde.
- Take the 260 East past Camp Verde 5-6 miles
- Turn right at Fossil Creek Road.
- The road is quite smooth and accessible to all types of vehicles. Occasional forks lead off the road. Keep to Fossil Creek Road.
- Follow Fossil Creek Road approximately 16 miles. (This road climbs all the way to Strawberry, AZ if you keep going another 13 miles or so.)
- Once you've crossed the Fossil Creek bridge, look to your left for the parking lot.
- Park in the parking lot.
- Skip the trailhead as this will put you on a steep trail with lots of poison oak. Instead, walk up the road toward Strawberry for a bit. You will see an entrance to the trail on your left once you reach the traffic barricades on the road.
- Follow the trail to the waterfall. The trail parallels the river, so as long as you keep track of the river, you should be in good shape.

FROM MESA:

- Take highway 87 through Payson.
- Head North to Pine/Strawberry.
- In Strawberry turn left at the light on Fossil Creek Road.
- Fossil Creek Road turns into a dirt road after the first 5 miles or so (should be okay for all vehicles).
- Continue on Fossil Creek Road for 8 more miles or so to the Fossil Creek Activity Area. There is an obvious parking lot and trail head on the right side of the Road.
- Park in the parking lot.
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Bring a road map as well. Be safe & have fun!
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