



# Trails at

## Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge



### Wildflower Loop

This paved ¼-mile loop trail begins just east of the Visitor Center and is a great place to see native plant species, including many beautiful blooms while in season. Along the trail you can enjoy the scenic views of the Rio Grande Valley and surrounding mountains. This easy hike is a nice way to stretch your legs!

### Nature Loop

This 1.1-mile loop is located just south of the Visitor Center and is a wonderful way to get acquainted with the refuge! Follow the sandy rock lined path into arroyos, past several benches with excellent views and up a few hills. While on this moderate hike, keep an eye out for quail, rabbit and lizards as well as coyote and deer tracks!

### Mesa View Trail

Trail head is located on the northwest side of the Visitor Center. This 3.8-mile trail immerses you in the beautiful New Mexican landscape. This trail skirts around the edge of the mesa before climbing to the top, providing far reaching views of both the east and west sides



of the refuge. Along the way, this moderate-to-strenuous hike passes many awe-inspiring geologic landforms. Look for sparrows in the winter, millipedes in the summer and lizards most seasons!

### Ladrones Vista Trail

This 1.9-mile trail connects with the Mesa View and Nature Loop Trails. Explore this rock lined path through arroyos and up the side of the mesa. Along the way you will marvel at the beauty of Sevilleta, the Ladrones and middle Rio Grande Valley. While exploring this moderate-to-

strenuous trail keep your eyes peeled for birds, lizards and insects on this diverse trail!

### Rules and Regulations

Come prepared for changing conditions with these essentials: sunglasses, sunscreen, a hat, water, sturdy shoes, and a first aid kit. Depending on the season, you may need rain gear or extra layers of clothing.

1. Please stay on designated trails and obey posted signs.
2. Use caution when crossing on roads. Yield to approaching vehicles.

3. Observe wildlife from a safe distance. Young animals should be left alone.

4. Help protect resources. All plants, wildlife, and cultural features on the refuge are protected and it is illegal to remove them.

5. Pets must be on leash or under control.
6. Visitors are prohibited from being under the influence of intoxicating beverages or controlled substances.
7. Possession or use of alcohol is prohibited on the refuge.
8. Follow the posted signs to stay on trail.

### Emergency Response Procedures

#### General Information

New Mexico weather can change suddenly. Keep an eye on the sky and watch for lightning and developing severe weather conditions.



For medical attention—Please call 911

### For Additional Information

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Top left, Cowpen Daisy  
Left, Collared Lizard  
Top right, Cholla  
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### Mesa View Trail



Wildflower Loop  
(.25 Miles) Blue Frame

Nature Loop  
(1.1 Miles) Green Frame

Mesa View Trail  
(3.8 Miles)

-  Bench
-  Visitor Center

