DIRECTIONS

Childress, Texas is located in the northwest plains of Texas, about 225 miles west of Fort Worth on US-287 S.



Childress to Turkey, TX: Head northwest on US 287N for 14.3 miles. Turn left onto TX-86 for 30 miles. Turn right on Main Street, .4 miles to reach downtown Turkey, TX. Total miles 47/total time 45 minutes.

Childress to Caprock Canyon: Head northwest on US-287N for 14 miles. Turn left onto TX-86 for 40 miles. Turn right onto Ranch Rd. 1065 for 3 miles. Keep left and then turn right into the park. 850 Caprock Canyon Park Rd., Quitaque TX. Total miles 61/total time 1 hour 10 minutes.

Childress to Copper Breaks: Head southeast on US-287 S for 28.2 miles. Turn right onto Hwy 6 south for 12.4 miles. Turn right onto State Hwy Park Route 62. Copper Breaks State Park, 777 State Hwy Park 62,



West Texas Trail Walkers celebrating 38 years

Caprock Canyons & Trailway **Copper Breaks Texas State Parks**

4 Walks in 4 Counties

October 11-13, 2019



Caprock Canyons Trailway, Turkey Depot, October 11, 2019 SW19/113862-6/11/14k

Haynes Ridge and Canyons, Caprock Canyons State Park, October 12, 2019 SW19/ 113863—5/11/17k

Bull Canyon, Copper Breaks State Park, October 13, 2019 SW19/113861-5/10/13k

> **Childress Town & Park. October 9-13, 2019** SW19/113860- 5/10k



"Hike with an Altitude"

AVA 60. TX 19 www.westtexastrailwalkers.org

West Texas Trail Walkers (WTTW) is a club dedicated to holding a yearly event in the scenic areas of West Texas which are off-road and challenging.

Eligibility: All persons and ages are welcome. Children under legal age must be accompanied by an adult. None of the state park events are suitable for strollers or wheelchairs. No smoking on the trails.

Volunteer: Please check the registration form to indicate the days you are available. We always need volunteers!

Fees: Event Fee is \$3 per walk with AVA credit. No refunds for cancelations or no-shows.

State Park Fees: Caprock Canyon & Trailways fee is \$5 per person /day and Copper Breaks fee is \$3 per person/day. Pay at Visitor Center or self-pay stations. Texas State Park Pass holders enter free. New this year is a on-line registration option for day passes. Visitors can register no earlier than one month before planned arrival. Use the tpwd.texas.gov website, select the state park and follow the registration instructions. You will need to set up an account to print the day pass.

Safety: PLEASE DO NOT HIKE ALONE. Hiking boots and sticks are recommended. We require carrying 2 quarts of water for 20k and 1 quart for 10k. One gallon is recommended.

Pets: Dogs are allowed on a 6 foot leash in the state parks and towns. Dogs are not recommended on Haynes Ridge trail due to the difficulty of the trail. Remember to carry water for your pet.

Carpool: Please carpool whenever possible. There is limited parking at the trailheads.

REGISTRATION forms can be found at www.westtexastrailwalkers.org. For questions, contact susan.noonan@gmail.com

PLACES TO STAY

Host Hotel: Holiday Inn Express, 3001 Ave F NW, 940-937-0900

Childress, TX 79201. To secure the WTTW rate of \$82 plus tax per night, please call by September 17, 2019. Mention you are with the WITW. A free hot buffet breakfast is available Friday – Sunday from 6:00 - 8:00 am.

Texas State Park Camping	512-389-8900
Hampton Inn, Childress, TX	940-937-3500
Super 8, Childress, TX	940-580-4325
Quality Inn, Childress, TX	940-937-3434

RULES OF THE TRAIL

>> West Texas is extremely dry and can be very hot >> Come prepared for quick changes in temperature >> State Park requests one gallon of water per person >> Pack out what you pack in >> Please stay on the trail



2019 Souvenir Patch



Thursday, October 10, 2019 **Holiday Inn Express** 3001 Ave F NW, Childress, TX

Meet & Greet. 5:00-6:30 pm Badge pick-up, trail information and walk up registration in the meeting room. Meet up with friends in the breakfast room. No refreshments or meals are provided tonight.



Caprock Canyons Trailway

Turkey, TX Date: Friday, October 11, 2019 Start Point: Turkey Depot Trailhead, Turkey, TX Walk Directors: Joe & Susan Noonan Start Times: 8 am-11 am Finish: 3:00 pm **Distance:** 6/11/14k out & back on trail and city sidewalks. Rated: 1A Highlights: Railbed converted to hike and bike trail. Historic Turkey, home of Bob Wills, king of western swing. Hall County **Trail Description:** Flat, gravel path and city sidewalks **Restrooms:** Allsup's Convenience Store, 9th St., Turkey, TX Workers Walk: No workers walk Directions: Off 2nd street, between Childress Ave and Road Y. 4 blocks north of Main St., Turkey, TX

Wine & Nibbles Social

Everyone is Welcome!

When: Friday, October 11, 2019, 5 pm-7pm Where: The 501 Winery, 109 Ave E NW, Childress, TX. Enjoy a glass of wine in a beautiful historic setting in downtown Childress. This is the tasting room for the Bishop Vineyards, a local vineyard. The wines are made from locally grown grapes or blended with grapes grown in Texas.

Cost: \$15 per person. In appreciation of our volunteers, the volunteer workers cost is reduced to \$7.

What: Four wine tastings, a full glass of wine, cheese and nibbles. Non -alcoholic beverages provided.



Haynes Ridge/North & South Lower Prong **Caprock Canyon State Park**

Date: Saturday, October 12

Start Point: North Prong Primitive Camping Parking Lot, Caprock Canyon State Park

Walk Directors: Gary Silkworth, Sheri Logan

Walk Start /Finish Time: 8:00-8:30 am for Haynes Ridge, 8-10 am for Lower Prong. Finish by 4:00 pm.

Distance: 5k (out & back) or 11k loop. Combine Haynes Ridge and Lower Prong for 17k.

Rated: Haynes Ridge 3D (extremely steep and rugged). Lower Prong 2C (sand, water crossings & some hills).

Highlights; Fantastic views from Haynes Ridge. Red canyons walls and caprock formations on Lower Prong. Beautiful finale. Briscoe County

Trail Description: Some portions of the Haynes trail are extremely rugged and steep. If combining trails for 17k the Haynes Ridge must be done first.

Restrooms: No restrooms at the start. Stop at the Visitors Center or Honey Flat Camping area.

Workers Walk: 8:00 am, Wednesday. Oct. 9, North Prong Primitive Camping Parking lot

Directions: The park is 3.5 miles from Quitaque on FM 1065. Pick up park map for directions to North Prong Primitive camping parking lot.

Caprock Canyons: Wind and water over the eons shaped the rugged beauty of Caprock Canyons State Park in the Panhandle of Texas. The official Texas State bison herd roams the park. There are 90 miles of trails of which 64 miles are hiking/biking trails converted from an old railway line.



Bull Canyon Copper Breaks State Park Date: Sunday, October 13 Start Point: Group Picnic Area Walk Directors: Dianne Duke, Donna Hall <u>Start Time:</u> 8:00 am—9:00 am Finish: 2:00 pm Distance: 5k, 10k, and 3 challenge loops of 1-1.5k for a total up to 13k

Rated: 2B

Highlights: Scenic views of rugged rocks spilling out onto the prairie. The 3 challenge loops have stunning views at the overlooks. Hardeman County

Trail Description: Rolling prairies and wide red rocky paths. 13k is steep with rock terrain. **<u>Restrooms</u>**: Across the road from the Group Picnic Area in the Kiowa campground. Workers Walk: 8:00 am, Thursday, Oct. 10, at Group Picnic Area

Directions: From Childress, take US-287 southeast to Quanah, TX. Turn right on Hwy 6, turn right on State Park Rd. 62, into Copper Breaks State Park.

Copper Breaks: Originally Copper Breaks was part of the land held by the Comanche and Kiowa. The Park has recently been designated an International Dark Sky Park. It also holds a portion of the official Texas longhorn herd. There are 10 miles of trails available to hike.



Childress Town & Park Walk Childress, TX

Date: October 9-14, 2019, anytime Start Point: Holiday Inn Express, 3001 Ave F NW, Childress, TX. Check with the front desk for the start box. Walk Directors: Helen Hull, Dianne Duke Start Time: Daylight hours **Finish**: Before dark **Distance**: 5k or 10k Rated: 1A Highlights: Childress' downtown buildings were built in the early years of the railroad. The downtown buildings and streets are brick reflecting the prosperity of this period. Many art deco buildings are on the route, including the county courthouse. Childress County **Trail Description**. Flat with paved sidewalks **Restrooms:** Holiday Inn Express and retail

Annual Meeting & Dinner

along the route

When: Saturday, October 12, 2019, 7:00 pm Where: The Plaza Mexican Restaurant, 1501 Ave F NW, Childress

Cost: \$20 per person, limited to 120 people Menu: Fajita Bar, Chicken or Beef Fajita Meat, Tortillas, Fajita Fixings, Cheese Enchiladas, Rice, Beans, Sopapillas, tea ,coffee. Cash Bar.