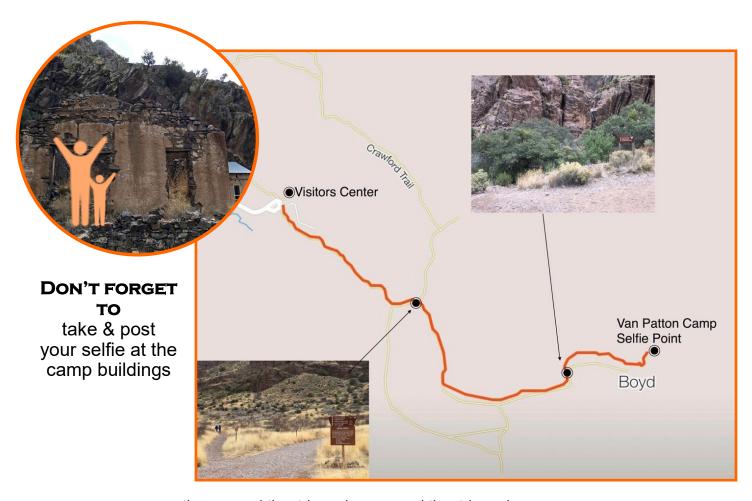


Challenge type: Hiking Challenge length: 3 miles

Trail notes: This popular hike offers beautiful scenery, the opportunity to see a rich variety of native plants and animals, and a lesson in local history! The path is uphill, but smooth enough to accommodate strollers with good suspension systems. Please leave pets at home as they are not allowed on the final leg of the trail.

Driving Directions: From I-25 Exit 1, take University Avenue/Dripping Springs Road for 9.8 miles to the Dripping Springs National Recreation Area Visitor Center. The gate at mile 8 opens at 8 a.m.

Hiking Directions: From the Visitor Center take the broad gravel trail toward Dripping Springs. In 0.48 mile you come to the intersection with the Crawford Trail. Continue to the right, noting that dogs are not allowed beyond the intersection on the Dripping Springs Trail. At 1.1 miles you will come across the wooden reproductions of historic buildings. Continue another 0.2 mile to a fork in the trail. You can see Dripping Springs from here. You can look at the remnants of the Boyd Sanitarium further to the right or head to the springs and continue to the Van Patten Camp. There at 1.5 miles you can take a selfie with the camp buildings in the background. Make your way back down the trail.



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