



**40th Mt. Graham Hill Climb**  
**Arizona State Hill Climb Championship**  
**SEPTEMBER 22, 2019**  
**Safford, Arizona**

**HELD UNDER USA CYCLING EVENT PERMIT NUMBER 2019-1977**



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### Arizona State Hill Climb Championship

- Mt. Graham is located in the southeastern corner of Arizona. Mt. Graham draws riders each year to a spectacular event. The 20-mile mass-start road race starts @ mile post 115.1 across from the Federal prison (elevation 3,379 ft.) and winds up the “Swift Trail” (State Route 366) to the finish at mile post 135.1 near the Snow Flat camp ground (elevation 9,068). The 5,689 ft. climb travels through high desert grassland, oak woodlands, and pine forest to alpine meadow!
- Mt. Graham is the longest continuous bicycle race in Arizona in its 40<sup>th</sup> year & the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest elevation gain one-day race in the United States.

### Dedicating the 2019 Race to Carlos Lopez (Mexico) & Richard Ellwanger:

Two different motorists killed both cyclists while they were riding their bike. Richard died on October 11, 2018 and Carlos died on December 15, 2018. Carlos still holds the record for the fastest time up Mt. Graham. It is 1:20:11, set in 2008. Richard has won 70 to 74 division twice once in 2016 and again in 2015. Richard and Carlos' name will be placed on the left sleeve of the polka dot Championship Jersey. Both are a great loss to the cycling community!

### Sponsoring Cycling Clubs: Aggress & Presteza

**20 MILE RACE WILL START AT 8:00 AM.**

**10 MILE RACE WILL START AT 8:10 AM.**

**BOTH ARE MASS START RACES, ALL CATEGORIES RACING TOGETHER**

First rider's finishing time will be around 9:30 am. Last rider finishing time will be around 11:00 AM. Those riders choosing to ride down the mountain will return to the parking area around 12:00 noon!

### WEB PAGE ADDRESS:

<http://presteza.homestead.com/MtGrahamIndex.html>

### On-line registration web address:

<https://www.bikereg.com/40thmtgrahamhillclimb>

ON-LINE Registration closes on THURSDAY, September 19, 2019 at 8:00 PM Arizona Time!

### Mail in Registration

1. Nippy Feldhake 5601 East Scarlett Street Tucson, Arizona 85711
2. Make checks out to Presteza Cycling! Send standard USA Cycling release form. Phone (520) 747-2544



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## Fees:

### Before August 17, 2019

1. Juniors \$22.50
2. All other Categories \$ 52.50 (Seniors Categories and Master)

### After August 17, 2019

1. Juniors \$27.50
2. All other Categories \$ 57.50 (Seniors Categories and Masters)

### Day before Race at Best Western Hotel on September 21, 2019:

1. Juniors categories \$28.00
2. All others Categories \$58.00 (Seniors Categories and Master)

### RACE DAY September 22, 2019

1. Juniors categories \$33.00
2. All others Categories \$63.00 (Seniors Categories and Master)

**Fees include USA Cycling \$4.00 surcharge for insurance! Promoter pays this fee to USA Cycling!**

### **USA Cycling Licenses**

1. All riders must have a USA Cycling License to be a participant in Mt. Graham Hill Climb
2. USA Cycling annual & one-day licenses will be on sale during registration (day before & race day!)
3. One-day USA Cycling license is now \$10.00.
4. USA Cycling annual license will also be available at registration. Only annual licensed riders are eligible for State championship medals and State Jersey per USA Cycling rules.

### **Registration (Day Before) September 21, 2019:**

1. At the Best Western Desert Inn Motel – Sat. 4:00pm to 7:00pm. 1391 Thatcher Blvd. Safford, Arizona 1-800-707-2336 or 928-428-0521.

### **Registration (Race Day): September 22, 2019**

1. At Federal Prison parking lot: Near Start on SR 366 (Milepost 115) From 7:00 AM to 7:45 AM.



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<u>CATEGORIES</u>	<u>DISTANCE</u>	
1. Senior Men Category 1	20 MILES	
2. Senior Men Category 2	20 MILES	
3. Under 23 (Espoires)	20 MILES	
4. Senior Men Category 3	20 MILES	
5. Senior Men Category 4	20 MILES	
6. Senior Men Category 5	20 MILES	
7. Senior Women Category 1	20 MILES	
8. Senior Women Category 2	20 MILES	
9. Senior Women Category 3	20 MILES	
10. Senior Women Category 4	20 MILES	
11. Senior Women Category 5	20 MILES	
12. Master Men 30 to 34	20 MILES	
13. Master Men 35 to 39	20 MILES	
14. Master Men 40 to 44	20 MILES	
15. Master Men 45 to 49	20 MILES	
16. Master Men 50 to 54	20 MILES	
17. Master Men 55 to 59	20 MILES	
18. Master Men 60 to 64	10 OR 20 MILES	
19. Master Men 65 to 69	10 OR 20 MILES	
20. Master Men 70 to 74	10 OR 20 MILES	
21. Master Men 75 + (into 5yr age group)	10 OR 20 MILES	
22. Master Woman 30 to 34	20 MILES	
23. Master Woman 35 to 39	20 MILES	
24. Master Woman 40 to 44	20 MILES	
25. Master Woman 45 to 49	20 MILES	
26. Master Woman 50 to 54	10 OR 20 MILES	
27. Master Woman 55 to 59	10 OR 20 MILES	
28. Master Woman 60 to 64	10 OR 20 MILES	
29. Master Woman 65 to 69	10 OR 20 MILES	
30. Master Woman 70 + (into 5yr age group)	10 OR 20 MILES	
31. Tandem Men 70 Plus	20 MILES	
32. Tandem Men Elite Under 70	20 MILES	
33. Tandem Men 90 Plus	20 MILES	
34. Tandem Men 120 Plus	20 MILES	
35. Tandem Mixed 70 Plus	20 MILES	
36. Tandem Mixed 90 Plus	20 MILES	
37. Tandem Mixed 120 Plus	20 MILES	
38. Tandem Women Elite Under 70	20 MILES	
39. Tandem Woman 70 Plus	20 MILES	
40. Tandem Woman 90 Plus	20 MILES	
41. Tandem Woman 120 Plus	20 MILES	
42. Juniors 10 to 12 (Men or Woman)	10 MILES ONLY	See Note Next Page
43. Juniors 13 to 14 (Men or Woman)	10 MILES ONLY	See Note Next Page
44. Juniors 15 to 16 (Men or Woman)	10 MILES ONLY	See Note Next Page
45. Juniors 17 to 18 (Men or Woman)	10 OR 20 MILES	See Note Next Page



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### **JUNIOR RACERS: (ALL) :**

**ALL JUNIOR RACERS AGE 16 AND UNDER MUST RACE THE 10-MILE DISTANCE ONLY. NO EXCEPTION NO MATTER WHAT CATEGORY/RANKING THE JUNIOR HOLDS.**

**ALL JUNIOR RACERS AGE 17 AND OLDER MUST BE A CATEGORY 3 OR ABOVE TO ENTER THE 20-MILE DISTANCE. ALL JUNIOR RACERS AGE 17 AND OLDER THAT ARE CATEGORY 4/5 MUST RACE THE 10-MILE DISTANCE. NO EXCEPTION!**

**IT IS HIGHLY SUGGESTED THAT ALL JUNIORS RACERS AGE 16 AND UNDER DO NOT RIDE FROM MILE POST 125 TO MILE POST 135. THIS IS A SAFETY CONCERN FOR ALL YOUNG RIDERS!**

### **Riding Down-THE RACE IS UP THE MOUNTAIN NOT DOWN!!!**

You may ride your bikes down Mt. Graham however extreme care needs to be taken. Helmets are required. The race is up the mountain NOT DOWN! Riders wanting a ride in a vehicle ask at the start before the race OR AT THE FINISH AREA AFTER THE RACE!

### **Host Hotel:**

#### **Best Western Desert Inn**

1391 Thatcher Blvd. Safford, Arizona  
1-800-707-2336 or (928) 428-0521 or fax (928) 428-7653

Ask for the Mt. Graham Hill Climb Special!

**PRICE IS THE SAME AS IT WAS IN 2017 & 2018!**

Continental breakfast included. No sleeping in bathtub!

ROOM RATES: \$80.00 + 14.05% tax for Mt. Graham Hill Climb

One King or One Queen Bed or for Two Queen Beds.

LATE CHECK OUT for all riders is at 1:00 PM. Just let the front desk know when you check in you are with the bike race!

### **Camping:**

1. ROPER STATE PARK: Park is 2 miles from start line. Amenities include showers, indoor toilets, RV hookups and ramadas. For rates, call (928) 428-6760. Follow brown colored state park signage off Hwy 191! Address 101 E. Roper Lake Road Safford, Arizona 85546.
2. Web page is <http://azstateparks.com/Parks/ROLA/index.html>

### **Other Camping! Camping on Mt. Graham!**

1. There is camping on Mt. Graham! One is at milepost 124.5 at the US Forest Service Camp Ground Arcadia. The other is Snow Flats at milepost 135! The fees are around \$10 per day per campsite.



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#### Support

1. FREE food will be available at rest area past the finish line!
2. There will be a support vehicle provided by the event allowing all cyclists to take extra cloths and gear to the finish line! Racers are to place items in bags provided and label with name and race number then put the bag into the vehicle!

#### SPECIAL THANKS:

1. A very special thanks to the following, they make this race possible> All Nippy's family! Broadway Bikes, Team Aggress, ADOT, Graham County Supervisors, Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS), Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), City of Safford, US Forest Service, Federal Prison, Eastern Arizona Courier, and former Mt. Graham race director Al Hopper, former webmaster Jay Schreiber and photographer Kathleen Drier!

#### AWARDS

1. This is officially the Arizona State USA Cycling Hill Climb Championship Race. Each winner of all categories and age groups winner will receive the Arizona State Championship jersey. The race director pays for the jerseys.
2. USA Cycling State medals will be awarded to the first three cyclists in each category & age group for Arizona licensed cyclists. They are Gold, Silver & Bronze medals.
3. Per the USA Cycling rulebook, only those riders that have an ANNUAL license are eligible for the state championship title! ONE-DAY LICENSE RIDERS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE STATE JERSEY OR MEDAL!
4. Only Arizona State Annual licensed riders are eligible for the Arizona State Championship Jersey.
5. Break a Mt. Graham record and receive an "Official Mt. Graham Record"! Special 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary trophy to winners!
6. **AWARDS WILL BE HELD AT the Graham County General Services Building. The building is located at 921 Thatcher Blvd., Safford, Arizona 85546. The entrance to the room is in the behind the main building.**

#### BIKE SHOPS SUPPORTING THIS RACE!

##### BROADWAY BIKES

140 S Sarnoff Drive  
Tucson, Arizona 85710  
(520) 296-7819

##### PIMA STREET BICYCLE

5247 East Pima Street  
Tucson, Arizona 85712  
(520) 326-4044



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**MOST INSPIRATION CYCLIST!**

1. Each year I chose a male and female cyclist as the Most Inspirational Cyclist!
2. If you know someone who deserves this award e-mail Nippy at [nippy-mr-smarty-pants@juno.com](mailto:nippy-mr-smarty-pants@juno.com).
3. Past Recipients!

1999	Al Hopper	2000 Vern Roberts
2001	Jeannie Longo & Don Melhado	2002 Scott Price
2003	Rebecca Cooke & Ken Stamm	2004 Steve Walters (In Memory)
2005	Herb Johnson & Adrienna Brian	2006 Maggie Williams & Dave Deichman
2007	Marlene Zuhl & Dwight Nelson	2008 Christina Carbone & Kerry Farrell
2009	Tammy Lamb & Jesus Lamb	2010 Jay Schreiber
2010	Colleen Whealdon-Haught (In Memory)	2011 Franz Hammer & Catherine Dickerson
2012	Reg Dowell & Martha Stedman	2013 Alisha Welch & Darien Newman
2014	Luis Chacon & Joanna Roberts	2015 ??? Cannot Remember???
2016	Lisa Crujido & Joey Iuliano	2017 Nathalie Potvin & Gustavo "Gus" Amado
2018	John Conahay (In Memory) & Shelby Hoglund	

**THIS YEAR 2019 MOST INSPIRIATIONAL CYCLISTS  
ARE RICHARD HORN AND CATHI STEVENS!**

**FREE RAFFLE WITH ENTRY**

**The Arizona State Championship Team & Tandem Time Trial  
and Mt. Graham Hill Climb**

**Arizona State Championship Team & Tandem Time Trial  
August 10, 2019**

**Mt. Graham Hill Climb Arizona State Hill Climb Championship  
September 22, 2019**

**All registered riders receive 1 automatic entry.  
Register for both events & receive 4 entries!**

**Additional tickets can be purchased on line at either at**

<https://www.bikereg.com/2019-azstate-team-tt-championship> or  
<https://www.bikereg.com/40thmtgrahamhillclimb>

**for \$5 per ticket, or 4 for \$15!**



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**Or buy tickets at each race's registration & at each race's awards!**

**Only one prize per person! Drawing will be held at Mt Graham!**

**Winner does NOT have to be present to win!**

## **GRAND PRIZE**

**Carbon Wheelset of your choice by DSD Composites! Road, TT, MTB, CX/Gravel, Track - winner's choice! Custom paint and finish included.**

## **SECOND PRIZE**

**Full Carbon Cockpit Upgrade by DSD Composites. Includes Bars/Stem/Saddle/Seat post/Bottle Cages (2). Custom Paint and finish included.**

## **THIRD PRIZE**

**35% Off All DSD Composites and Próta Bikes. One-time purchase, no limit on quantity.**

### **Added Bonus!**

**Grand and second prize winners also receive a 35% discount on all DSD Composites and Próta Bikes products for a one-time purchase with no limit on quantities.**

**NEW Mt. Graham supporter!**

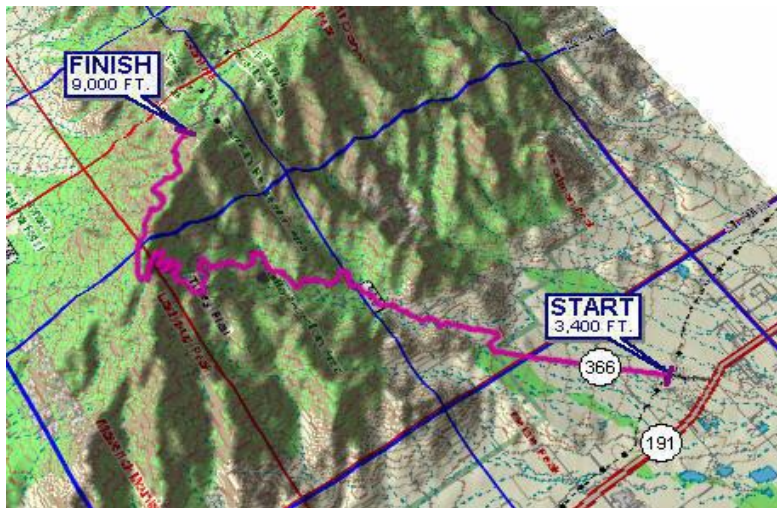
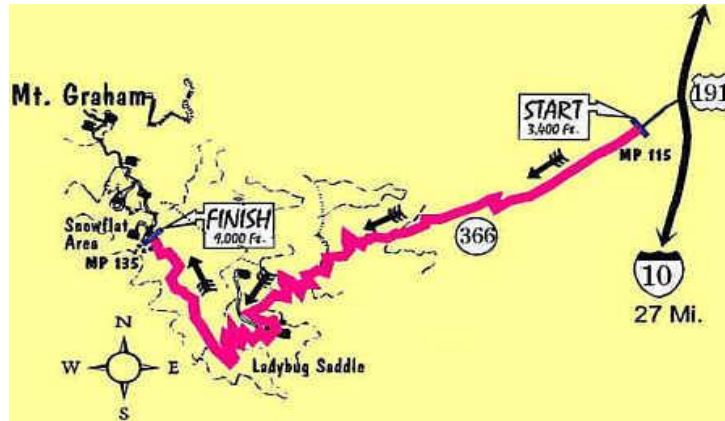
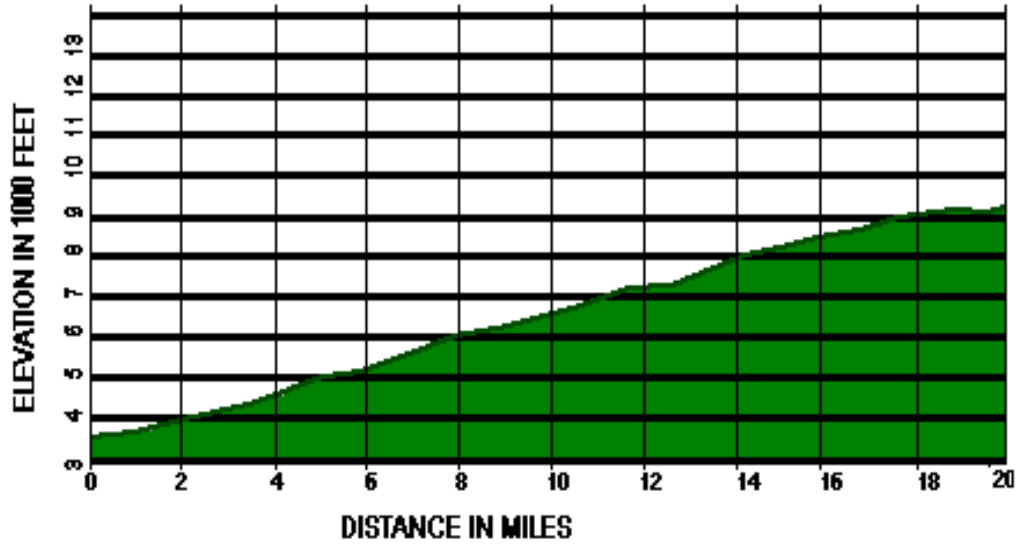
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**PROFILE**



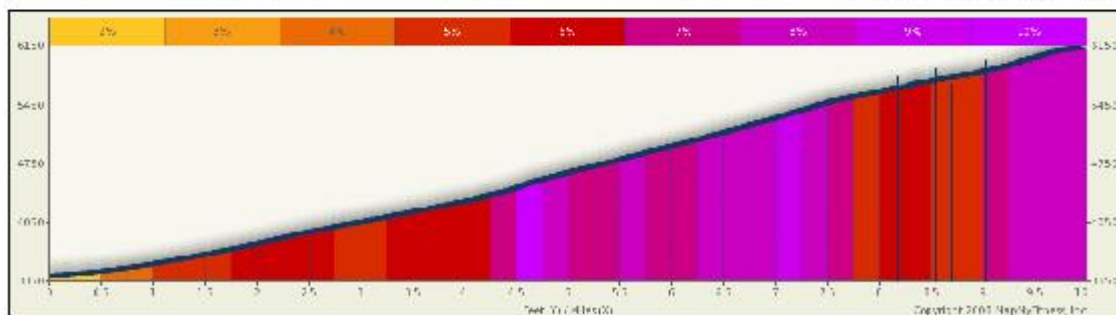
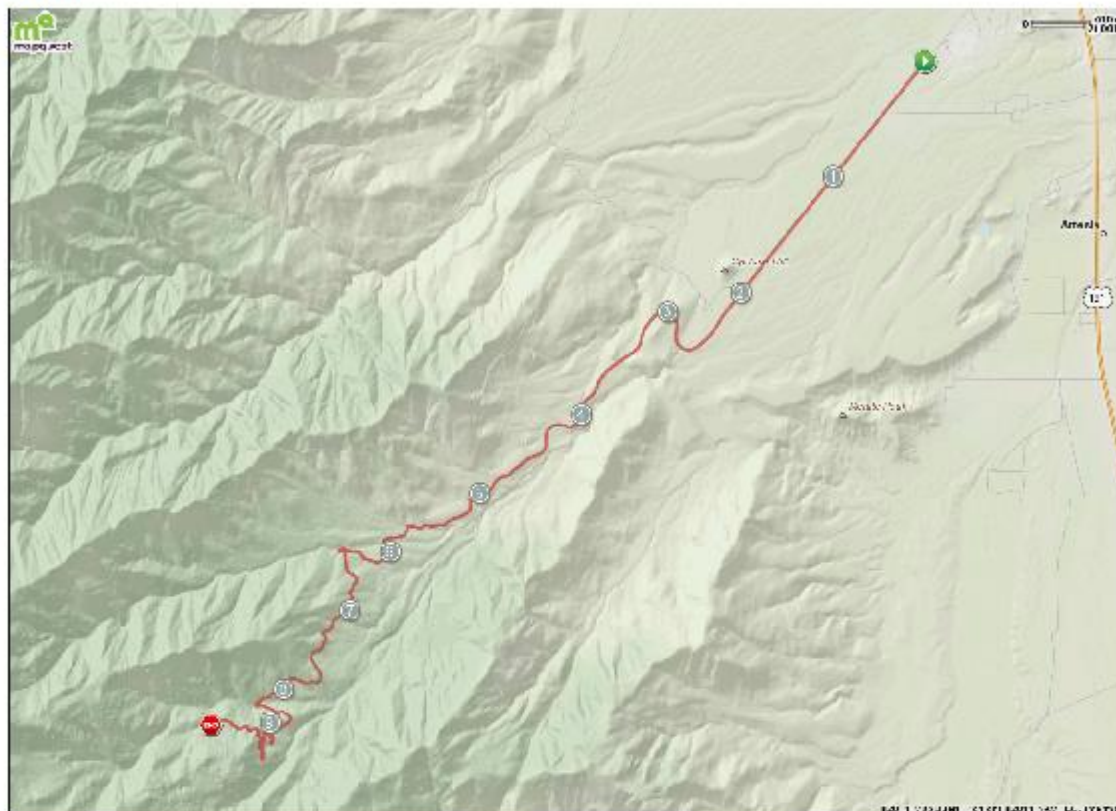
# MAPS 10-mile event



## Mt. Graham Hill Climb 10 Mile Event

Starts in Safford, Arizona

10.00 miles



### Description

Mt. Graham Hill Climb 10 Mile event starting at mile post 115.1 on Arizona State Route 366 South of Safford Arizona and ending at mile post 125.1. Start just past the upper prison parking area. The route is the Mt. Graham Hill Climb which is the Arizona State Hill Climb Championship. This is a road bike event not a mountain bike event.

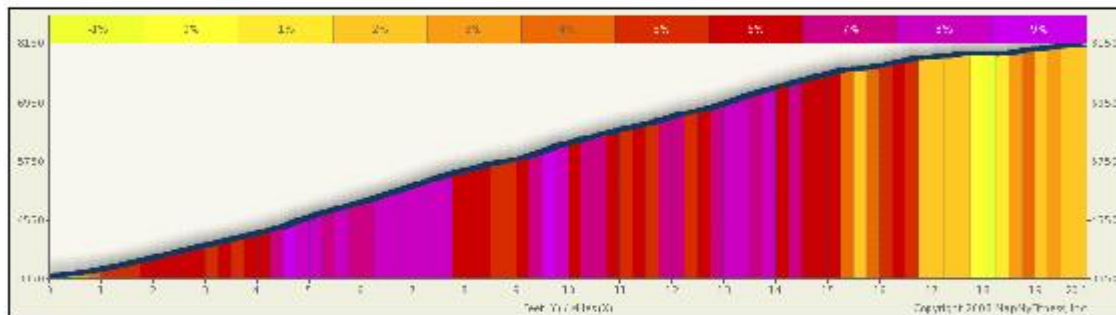
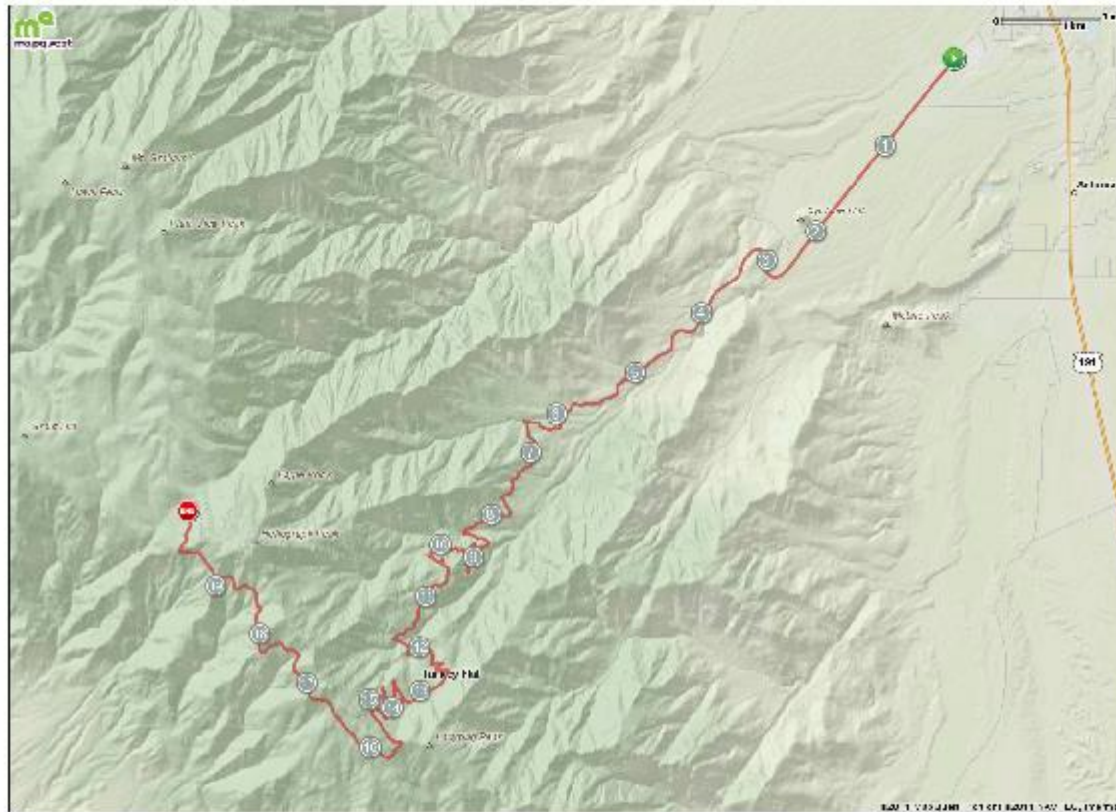
# MAP 20-mile event



## Mt. Graham Hill Climb 20 Mile Event

Starts in Safford, Arizona

20.00 miles



**Description**  
Mt. Graham Hill Climb 20 Mile event starting at mile post 115.1 on Arizona State Route 366 South of Safford Arizona and ending at mile post 135.1. Start just past the upper prison parking area. The route is the Mt. Graham Hill Climb which is the Arizona State Hill Climb Championship. This is a road bike event not a mountain bike event. This is the toughest climb in Arizona and is Rated a HC due to the length and steepness! Nippy Feldhake Race Director