



**Saturday - Sunday
September 29 – October 7, 2018**

Moab Day Hikes and Adventures, Utah

Approximately 459 Miles and 8 Hours from Central Phoenix "Stack",

Type: See Desc.	Max Rtg/Pts: Ea hike 1pt	Elev. Change: See Desc	Length: See Desc
Start Time: See desc	Duration: See Desc	Max No of Part: N/A	Last Scouted: See Desc

Major Hike:

Cross-Country:

Exploratory:

Individual Effort:

Options:

Pass/Fees Rqd.:

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Required Equipment: Normal hiking gear for desert hiking (dry and sunny), boots or trail shoes, day pack, 2-3 quarts of water (assume no water sources on any of the hikes), snacks and/or lunch (depending on length of hike) trekking poles, sun protection (sunscreen, hat long sleeve shirt).

Recommended Equipment: A camera for all the great sights that will be encountered!

Cautions and Special Preparations:

Description:

Information about Moab

In addition to hiking, Moab has numerous other recreational opportunities including slick rocking, rafting on the Colorado River and zip lining. For more information click on <http://discovermoab.com/free-travel-guide/> for a free hard copy or downloaded guide to the Moab area.

Lodging/Camping

Advance planning is required for lodging/camping reservations - Rolly and Linda will be staying at the Canyonlands RV Resort and Campground <https://highwaywestvacations.com/properties/canyonlands> on 555 Main in Moab from Saturday Sep 29th through Wednesday October 10th. In addition to RV sites they offer tent sites as well as small cabins. It is located within walking distance of downtown Moab which includes a market right around the corner, a brew pub across the street and a nice outdoor store right next door. Although there are numerous places to stay in and around Moab, it would be a good idea to secure your reservations sooner than later.

Weather

At this time of the year the temperature in Moab typically ranges from 52°F to 75°F and is rarely below 43°F or above 86°F. On average, there is a 16% chance of more than 0.04 inches of total precipitation.

Daily Plan

Note: I have provided an All Trails link for each of the hikes where you can find more detailed information including driving directions.

Thanks to Larry Hirsch for leading 2 of the hikes, Fisher Towers and Devils Garden and providing the additional information for those two hikes.

Since Arches gets crowded early I have indicated a 7:00am start time (which is during twilight about 15 minutes before sunrise) for the two hikes in that park.

Saturday, Sep 29th – **Driving to Moab**

Sunday, Sep 30th – **Free day** to familiarize yourself with the area and relax from the drive the day before. If anyone wants to plan and lead a hike on this day, feel free. If you want to try your hand at **4X4'ing on the slick rocks**, I highly recommend renting a jeep from Barlow's. If interested contact me for more details.

Larry would like to see if anyone is interested in doing an **all-day raft trip**. Total cost with fees and taxes is \$89.25/person. Info at the link:

<http://www.griffithexp.com/1-day-fisher-towers-family-trip>

Payment in full is due upon making the reservation, so he'll need people to send him checks if they're interested.

Monday, Oct 1st – **Hike - Corona Arch & Bow Tie Arch** – 2.3 miles, 482 Elevation, Rating = 1, Exploratory

Starting time 8:00am. 15 miles and 25 minutes from central Moab.

Corona Arch is a partly freestanding arch with a 140-foot by 105-foot opening. The route is a 1 1/2 mile hike up Bootlegger Canyon. The arch is located in a striking slickrock setting.

Bowtie Arch is adjacent to Corona Arch.

<https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/utah/corona-and-bowtie-arch-trail>

Tuesday, Oct 2nd – **Hike – Fisher Towers** – 3.9 Miles, 1459 Elevation, Rating = 3, Exploratory

Starting time 8:00am. 27 Miles and 45 Minutes from Central Moab.

The entire length of the trail is decorated with an enormous variety of rock art, sculpted by the wind and the rain from the soft red sandstone, and it is in large part this spectacle that makes the hike so delightful.

<https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/utah/fisher-towers-trail>

Fisher Towers located about 26 miles east of Moab along Utah 128 which is a very scenic road along the Colorado River. It takes about 40 - 45 minutes to get there and includes a well graded dirt road for the last 2 miles. This hike should take 3 hours at the most and should be suitable for everyone. However, note the part of the trail with the ladder in the following link:

<http://www.gjhikes.com/2015/10/fisher-towers.html>

With driving each way to the TH, this is a 5 hour activity.

If we finish the Fisher Tower hike early enough, we can take the La Sal Mountain Loop Road back to Moab:

<http://discovermoab.com/la-sal-mountains/>

Wednesday, Oct 3rd – **Hike - Delicate Arch** (The iconic Arch on the Utah license plate) hiked Oct 2016 and **Windows Loop and Turret Arch Trails** Exploratory . –

Start time 7:00am, 4.1 Miles total, 700 elevation Total, Rating combined = 2

19 Miles and 40 Minutes from Central Moab to Delicate Arch Trail head.

6 Miles and 15 Minutes from Delicate Arch Trailhead to Windows loop trailhead.

In Arches National Park. Park pass required unless carpooling with someone who has a pass.

<https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/utah/delicate-arch-trail>

<https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/utah/windows-loop-and-turret-arch-trail>

Thursday, Oct 4th – **Hike - Devils Garden**, Start time 7:00am, 7.5 Miles, 1069 Elevation, Rating = 3, hiked Oct 2016

In Arches National Park. Park pass required unless car pooling with someone who has a pass.

<https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/utah/devils-garden-loop-trail-with-7-arches>

This trail is about 8 miles long if the side trails to all seven arches are taken. Net elevation gain is only 343 ft., but gross elevation gain is about 1200 ft. This trail provides options for those who don't want to do the whole thing. One can hike to Landscape Arch and back (1.6 miles) or Double O Arch and back (4.2 miles). This hike should take at most 5 hours. Details here: <https://www.nps.gov/arch/planyourvisit/upload/DevilsGardenTrailGuide2017-web.pdf>

Friday, Oct 5th – **Hike – Syncline Loop Trail** – 7.1 Miles, 1538 Feet elevation, Rating = 3, Exploratory.

Loop trail around Upheaval Dome in Canyonlands National Park: Islands in the Sky.

Park pass required unless carpooling with someone who has a pass.

<https://www.alltrails.com/trail/us/utah/syncline-loop>

Saturday, Oct 6th – **Free day or additional hike**

Sunday, Oct 7th – **Drive back to Phoenix** We are staying a few extra days then leaving on the 10th and driving to Chaco Canyon to join Tom on his hikes.

Driving Directions: From Phoenix take I-17 N to I-40 E to US-89 N to US-160 E to US-163 N to US-191 N to Moab

Link to Google Maps:

<https://www.google.com/maps/dir/33.4615994,-112.1082369/38.5732942,-109.5507758/@38.5677301,-109.5513265,17.32z/data=!4m9!4m8!1m5!3m4!1m2!1d-109.9695614!2d37.1116557!3s0x87373816f7b695bd:0xb2d8e3c415c0f6e9!1m0!3e0>