



Saturday October 23, 2021

Grand Canyon:S Kaibab-Tonto-Bright Angel Loop

Approximately 230 Miles and 3.75 Hours from Central Phoenix "stack",

Type: Day Hike

Max Rating/Points: 5/1

Elev. Change: 3100 ft

Length: 13.6 miles

Start Time: 6:30am

Duration: 1 days

Max No of Part: TBD

Last Scouted: 6/8/2021

- Major Hike:
- Cross-Country:
- Exploratory:
- Individual Effort:
- Options:
- Pass/Fees Rqd.:

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Required Equipment: Comfortable Hiking Boots/Shoes, Sunscreen, Hat, Socks, Adverse weather outer Protection, Minimum 3 Qt. Water, Lunch/Snacks, Moleskin, flashlight, Daypack.

Recommended Equipment: Trekking Poles, Radios set to Channel 6, layers of clothes. Reminder – thunderstorms are possible.

Cautions and Special Preparations: Weather this time of year in the Canyon is unpredictable, expect Phoenix temperatures at the bottom, Flagstaff and higher elevations at the top. May have sunshine, rain or snow. Recommend 3-4 quarts of water on S. Kaibab and Tonto; Bright Angel typically has water at Indian Gardens depending on pipe conditions. S Kaibab in full sun, no water. Possibly rain. 7-9 hour hike.

Description:
 Advanced reservations on the south rim are recommended for rim lodging or Maswick thru Xanterra Parks and Resorts at 1-888-297-2757, or Delaware North via website for Yavapai lodge.
<https://www.visitgrandcanyon.com/yavapai-lodge>
 Leader staying at S rim lodging Friday night. Hiking route chosen to have water access for last 4.6 miles. This event consists of strenuous hikes, down the S. Kaibab, across the Tonto and up the Bright Angel trail.
 The S. Kaibab-Tonto-Bright Angel trails loop details as follows:
Starting elevation at South Kaibab trail head 7260 ft. Meet at 6:30am at the South Kaibab TH or let hike leader know if you are starting earlier. Requires taking the shuttle bus system at the park. Hiker express or visitor center to S Kaibab TH. Check website for GC National Park Service.

- Hike the South Kaibab trail down to the junction with Tonto Trail above the "Tip Off" and the composting toilets (4.4 miles, down 3260 ft.). No water on S. Kaibab trail.
- Take the Tonto trail to Indian Garden (4.6 miles, net down 200 ft.). Check ahead to verify water at Indian Gardens. Composting toilets there.
- Return to the South Rim via the Bright Angel trail (4.6 miles, up 3060 ft. from Indian Gardens). Possibly drinking water and toilets at 3 mile and 1.5 mile houses. Check ahead, sign at IG will advise us also.

The NPS entrance fee was \$35 per vehicle good for seven (7) days in 2021. REMEMBER: Each hike is an individual effort. Hikers assume any and all liability.

Driving Directions: To South Rim Take I-17 to Flagstaff, I-40 west to Williams, Then SR-64 into Grand Canyon Village. Via Williams avoids an 8000+ Ft pass N/O Flag.