



Sunday May 29, 2022

Uncle Jim hike – North Rim

Approximately 353 Miles and 7.5 Hours from Central Phoenix “stack”,

Type: Day Hike	Max Rating/Points: 3/1	Elev. Change: 750	Length: 5-7.4 miles
Start Time: See descr	Duration: 3-5 hours	Max No of Part: N/A	Last Scouted: 2015

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

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Required Equipment: : Normal gear for a medium day hike on well-maintained trails including 2-3 quarts of water and snacks. A welcoming smile for hiking in cool weather!

Estimated temps for Uncle Jim Trail												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
High °F	34	36	39	47	57	68	72	70	63	54	41	35
Low °F	11	12	15	22	28	36	42	41	35	27	19	11
Rain	2.5	2.1	2.4	1.1	0.91	0.52	2	2.2	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.8

Recommended Equipment: trekking poles, raingear, sunscreen, 2- 3 qts water, radio on ch 6.0

Cautions and Special Preparations: possible mountain lion siting

Description: 2 options, depending on what hikers prefer, some may drive to Ken Patrick trailhead

The hike will start at the visitor’s center near the North Rim Lodge at 0800 and will meet up at 0830 with anyone that wants to make this a shorter hike by driving (2 miles- 5 to 10 minutes) to the North Kaibab/Ken Patrick trail head.

0800 - Visitors center near the North Rim Lodge – Mileage round trip: 7.4 miles
 0830 – North Kaibab/Ken Patrick trailhead – Mileage round trip: 5 miles

The Uncle Jim Trail is 5 miles round trip (per AZ Republic 5-11-13). The trailhead is the same as that for the North Kaibab and the Ken Patrick Trail. The start of this trail is shared with the Ken Patrick Trail for ¼ mile and during the summer, shared with mule riders. At well-marked trail junction head south and then take the loop counter clockwise. Much of the hike is through a thick forested plateau with groves of ponderosa pines, spruce, fir and aspen. The path leads to Uncle Jim point, an overlook of the Grand Canyon. Uncle Jim Owens was the game warden, for the U.S. Forest Service at the Grand Canyon, in the early 1900's.

Driving Directions: : None if starting at the North Rim lodge. The North Kaibab/Ken Patrick trailhead is 2 miles from the North Rim Lodge via the road heading out of the park. 1.2 miles per GPS via the trail from the lodge.