

FIVE MILE WASH

Explore the Slot Canyons of Capitol Reef



LOCATION

The wash is 11 miles south of UT 24 along the Notom-Bullfrog road and is identified by a sign.

TRAIL TYPE

This trail is for hiking only.

DISTANCE

This trail is about 2 miles, (3.1 km), one way. The elevation at the trailhead is 4508 ft. with a gain of 720 ft.

DIFFICULTY

This trail is moderate with some difficult parts of the path that are harder to negotiate.

TRAIL DESCRIPTION

The path is rocky. Some parts have been covered with fallen rock that you will have to climb over. The trail continues from the last mapped point into Capitol Reef National Park.



EQUIPMENT

This trail requires no extra equipment to do.

ENVIRONMENT

The weather varies greatly and rain will flood the trail.

SAFETY

Be sure to check the weather so that you are not caught in the wash during a storm.

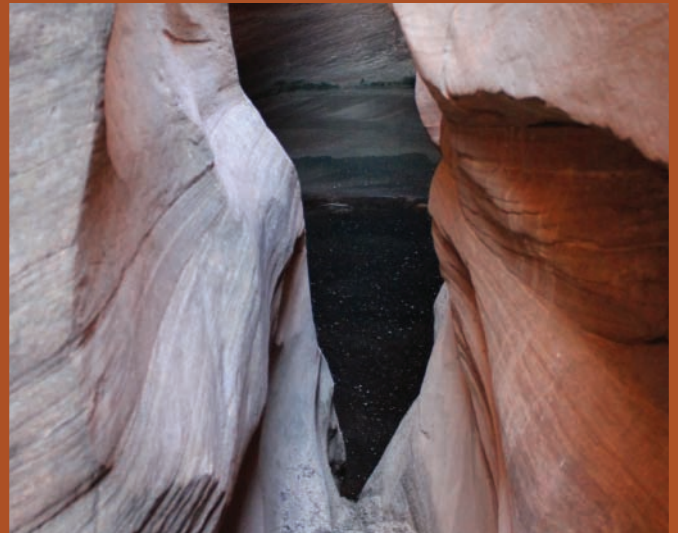


TAKE IN THE VIEWS.

There are points at which you can hike up the canyon which will lead to the rim level. This hike which has quite spectacular views over the surrounding domed summits, the eastern plateau beneath the Henry Mountains and of the canyon itself.

GET A CLOSER LOOK.

Down inside the wash is a path of winding narrows that are spectacular to see. The path is the perfect combination of shallow, twisted narrows, dryfalls, pools and flat sections. The Navajo sandstone and red rock make for a beautiful array of color.



DO IT AT YOUR OWN PACE.

Usually people will turn around as they reach the dryfall point of the trail. This can be circumvented by carefully going up the rock slide on right (back 50 yards) and circling up and around the fall. Please note that this route is not suggested, but noted as possible.

Trail tip: Take some time to explore the the wash. It is a short hike so there is plenty of time to take it all in!

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