

Sunset Point

The best golden hour in the park.

CAPITOL REEF COUNTRY TRAIL GUIDE

HIKING



0.8 miles

DISTANCE

50 ft

ELEVATION GAIN

Easy

DIFFICULTY

30 min

EST. TIME

LOCATION

Capitol Reef National Park.

TRAIL TYPE

Out-and-back.

TRAIL DESCRIPTION

A short, family-friendly walk over dirt and slickrock to a cliffside overlook of the Waterpocket Fold, Fern's Nipple peak, and the Henry Mountains - especially striking at golden hour.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

No dogs allowed; park entrance fees required. Nearest services: Shared parking with Goosenecks Overlook. Pack out everything you pack in. Flash floods can hit canyons fast from distant storms — check the forecast first.

EQUIPMENT

Physical map, first aid kit, extra water.

COORDINATES

38.29744, -111.29497 (Trailhead)

Coordinates are a navigation aid — conditions change, so always verify current road and trail status before you go.

SAFETY

Check weather forecasts for flash flood risk; parking fills rapidly near sunset - arrive early.

TRAIL TIP

Time it for late afternoon — the lighting here is genuinely best in the last hour before sunset.

