

SPRINGDALE DAY TRIP GUIDE

In addition to the wonderful experiences within Zion National Park, visitors are encouraged to enjoy hiking, biking, sight seeing and other activities in the area. This day trip guide is a reference only and it is recommended to consult more detailed maps for further information & wayfinding. All Drive Times may vary depending on traffic and road conditions.

① **Historic Zion-Mount Carmel Highway:** This 15 mile scenic drive from Springdale to the east entrance offers views to some of the most gorgeous sections of the National Park. Highlights include Canyon Overlook hike and Checkerboard Mesa. Please use caution as wildlife is often seen on or near the highway.

② **Springdale Town:** Opportunities abound for excellent dining, galleries, entertainment and shops, including festivals throughout the year. With the 2018 completion of the new Zion Park Blvd, it's never been easier to stroll on walking paths, cycle through town or picnic at our public parks with Zion views surrounding your every move.

③ **Art Galleries & Museums:** Starting in Springdale, discover the renowned galleries that feature the local artists who are inspired by Southern Utah's landscapes, Native American past, and storied pioneer heritage. To help you along your way, an informative guide to area galleries and museums can be found at www.artstozion.net.

④ **Hurricane Mesa:** Broad panoramas of West Temple and the surrounding area. Some report energy vortex-like phenomena in this area. In Virgin, turn on Mesa Rd to the top of the mesa for the best views. **Drive Time: 20 Min**

⑤ **Kolob Reservoir:** At nearly 9,000 feet in elevation, this alpine lake offers a pleasant contrast to the desert climate in Zion Canyon. The drive to Kolob Reservoir showcases some of the most stunning scenery in Southern Utah. **Drive Time: 40 Min**

⑥ **Gooseberry Mesa:** Most accessible from Apple Valley town on Hwy 89 onto an unpaved road, Gooseberry is a world famous mountain biking area. The trails traverse a sea of slickrock offering a striking view of Zion's awe-inspiring skyline. **Drive Time: 40 Min**

⑦ **Sand Hollow State Park:** Experience boating, paddle boarding and scuba in a calm lake surrounded by sandy beaches and red rock cliffs. Rental gear and equipment available in Hurricane. Fee is required to enter. **Drive Time: 40 Min**

⑧ **Silver Reef & Red Cliffs Desert Reserve:** Take I-15 Exit 23 at Leeds, the mining ghost town has a fascinating Wells Fargo Museum and is near many hikes, such as the Children's Forest and more at Red Cliffs Desert Reserve. **Drive Time: 35 Min**

⑨ **Snow Canyon State Park & Tuacahn Center for the Arts:** Snow Canyon showcases dramatic sandstone formations with abundant opportunities for hiking, rockclimbing and sightseeing. In the evening, catch a Broadway-style performance at the excellent Tuacahn outdoor ampitheatre, for more info call (435) 652-3300. **Drive Time: 60 Min**

⑩ **Red Hills Desert Garden:** This 5-acre garden features 5,000 water-efficient plants, a 1,150 foot stream with native and endangered fish species, a replica slot canyon and prehistoric dinosaur tracks found onsite dating back 200 million years. **Drive Time: 50 Min**

⑪ **Kanarra Creek Trail & Kanarraville Falls:** This riverside trail leads to one of the most accessible and picturesque slot canyons in the area. Take Exit 42 towards Kanarraville, following 100 North 3.5 blocks to trailhead, \$5 fee per hiker **Drive Time: 55 Min**

⑫ **Pipe Spring National Monument:** Learn about pioneer and Kaibab Paiute Native American life by exploring the museum, historic fort, garden, orchard, and Ridge Trail. Early inhabitants depended on the life-giving water found here. **Drive Time: 70 Min**



Tips for Visiting Zion

1. Avoid high visitation periods by starting early in the morning or late in the afternoon. Remember, your park pass is required for re-entry with a valid ID.

2. Hydrate using refillable water bottles and always bring an adequate supply of water, up to a gallon a day per person.

3. Park in town and ride the shuttle to the pedestrian entrance at Shuttle Stop 1.

4. Take a stroll on foot through Springdale.

5. Try a guided tour with one of the many local outfitters and tour operators.

6. Consider visiting in the winter months when fewer travelers are in the canyon.

7. Hike some of the less-traveled trails, such as the Pa'rus Trail, Watchman Trail, Eagle Crags, Coalpits Wash or others found in public lands outside of the Park.

8. Always hike on designated trails to avoid trampling vegetation and increased soil erosion.

9. Explore the many remarkable recreational opportunities outside of Zion Canyon.

10. Check in at the Zion National Park Visitor Center for Ranger-led programs, trail conditions and weather forecasts.

Please be safe, plan ahead and ENJOY, PROTECT and RESPECT this beautiful Zion Canyon sanctuary!

KEY	ATV / OHV	Historical Site	Performing Arts	Visitor Center
	Equestrian	Mountain Biking	Scenic Drive	Water Sports
	Hiking	Nightlife	Scenic Viewpoint	Winter Activities

For more information: ZionPark.com

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