

UTAH/ARIZONA ROAD TRIP ITINERARY

ARIZONA-UTAH-COLORADO

This is the itinerary for the 10-day road trip that my friends and I took starting in Arizona, heading through southern Utah and then finishing in Colorado. We went September 17-27 and the weather was perfect during that time of year. It was pretty much mid 80's to 90's during the day in Arizona and Utah, and it cooled down into the high 50's at night. It was a little bit colder in Colorado, somewhere between 60 and 70 depending on the time of day.

FRI

PHOENIX/SCOTTSDALE

- **6:15PM** - Arrive in Phoenix
- **7:00PM** - Dinner @ [Kelly's](#) in Scottsdale

Notes: I have a friend who lives in Phoenix, so we stayed at her house on Friday night.

SAT

LAKE POWELL (PAGE, AZ)

- **12:00PM** - Pick up Rental Car @ [Hertz](#)
- **12:30PM** - Drive from Phoenix, AZ to Page, AZ (4hr 20min)
- **5:30PM** - [Horseshoe Bend](#) to watch sunset
- **8:00PM** - Dinner @ [El Tapatio](#)

Notes: We grabbed a quick lunch en route to Page and stayed at a simple [Airbnb](#). There was a \$10 entry fee to get into Horseshoe Bend.

SUN

LAKE POWELL (PAGE, AZ)

- **7:00AM** - Grocery store run
- **9:00AM** - Pick up kayaks @ [Antelope Point Marina Rentals](#) and Kayaked to Antelope Canyon (1hr 40min one-way)
- **11:00AM** - Hike [Antelope Canyon](#)
- **1:00PM** - Kayak back to marina
- **3:00PM** - Wakesurf & Boat Ride
- **9:00PM** - Dinner @ [Jádí To´ho Restaurant](#) (on the marina)

Notes: We did a grocery store run to get snacks and things for sandwiches for the days we were hiking. The kayak rentals were \$45 per person. You can kayak to Antelope Canyon and then hike through it (the entrance to the canyon from land was closed due to COVID). We had a friend who had a boat, but I highly recommend renting one if you don't have access to one at Lake Powell. We surfed and did a cruise through the canyon. The rentals go fast so it is definitely something to plan ahead of time. There was a \$30 fee to get into Antelope Point Marina.

MON

ZION NATIONAL PARK

- **10:00AM** - Drive to Zion (2hr 20min)
- **12:30PM** - Check-in @ [Hampton Inn Springdale](#)
- **1:00PM** - Hike Canyon Overlook Trail (1 mile roundtrip)
- **3:00PM** - Shuttle to Angel's Landing Trailhead
- **3:30PM** - Hike Angel's Landing (5 miles roundtrip)
- **7:00PM** - Dinner @ [Zion Pizza & Noodle Co.](#)

Notes: We had hotel points, so we used a lot of those for this trip, but there are a ton of cute Airbnb's in the Zion area as well. You have to buy shuttle tickets the day before you need them to get on the shuttle to certain hikes like Angel's Landing. We missed the shuttle ticket the first day so ended up going to the free "first come first serve" shuttle at 3PM and it worked out great. You can drive to the Canyon Overlook Trail and it was an awesome view. There is a \$30 entry fee for Zion that is valid for 7 days.

TUES

ZION NATIONAL PARK

- **8:00AM** - Breakfast @ [Cafe Soleil](#)
- **8:30AM** - Pick up water shoe rentals @ [Zion Outfitter](#) (\$25)
- **9:00AM** - Shuttle to The Narrows Trailhead
- **9:30AM** - Hike The Narrows (about 11 miles roundtrip)
- **7:30PM** - Dinner @ [Bit & Spur](#)

Notes: It was a little chilly hiking through The Narrows and there were spots where you had to swim. The water shoes and walking sticks were LIFE SAVERS. This was one of our favorite hikes and Bit & Spur was super cute and yummy.

WED

BRYCE CANYON NATIONAL PARK

- **9:00AM** - Breakfast & Coffee in Zion @ [Feel Love Coffee](#)
- **10:00AM** - Drive to Bryce Canyon
- **1:00PM** - [Horseback Tour](#) through Red Canyon
- **6:30PM** - Dinner @ [The Pines](#)
- **7:30PM** - Drive to Airbnb- [Soaring Hawk Tipi](#) for the night and have bonfire

Notes: The Tipi was an awesome experience but it did get down to the 40's in the night so it was cold. Bryce National Park has a \$35 entry fee for 7 days.

THURS

ARCHES NATIONAL PARK (MOAB, UT)

- **9:00AM** - Inspiration Point Lookout @ Bryce
- **10:00AM** - Drive to Moab (5 hrs) via i-12 (Scenic Route)
- **3:00PM** - Delicate Arch Hike (3 miles roundtrip)
- **5:00PM** - Check-in @ [Holiday Inn](#)
- **6:00PM** - Dinner @ [Bangkok House Too](#)

Notes: If you take the scenic route from Bryce to Moab, you will drive through Capitol Reef National Park and lots of other scenic views.

FRI

CANYONLANDS NATIONAL PARK

- **10:00AM** - Drive to Canyonlands (45min)
- **11:00AM** - Hike White Rim Overlook (2 miles roundtrip)
- **12:00PM** - Hike Mesa Arch (0.5 miles roundtrip)
- **3:00PM** - Check-in @ [The Hyatt Place Moab](#)
- **6:30PM** - Dinner @ [The Sunset Grill](#)

Notes: Canyonlands and Arches are not far from one another at all, so we stayed in Moab both nights (we did switch hotels because we were using points). The Sunset Grill is definitely the best view in Moab and I highly recommend it.

SAT

DENVER, CO

- **4:00AM** - Drive from Moab to Breckenridge (4hrs 30 minutes)
- **8:30AM** - Eat breakfast @ [Blue Moose](#) in Breck
- **9:30AM** - Drive to Denver (1hr 30mins)
- **12:00PM** - Drive to Boulder (30 mins)
- **12:30PM** - Walk/shop Pearl Street
- **5:00PM** - Dinner & Drinks @ [Improper City](#) in Denver

SUN

DENVER, CO - HOME

- **8:00AM** - Breakfast @ Denver Biscuit Co.
- **2:00PM** - Flight home

