

Wupatki

Walnut Canyon

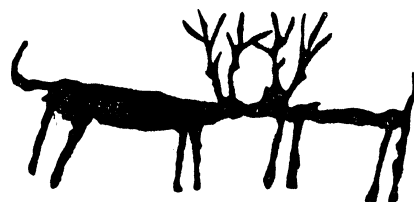
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Where can I see rock art?

Petroglyphs (rock carvings) and pictographs (rock paintings) are found throughout the Southwest. The sites listed below are open to the public. In order to preserve these and other sites, DO NOT touch, vandalize, add anything to, or make rubbings or tracings of these images. Help protect these fragile resources. If you see someone defacing rock art or other cultural resources, report the incident to a ranger or call the Archeological Resources Protection Act Task Force at 1-800-2-ARPA-86. Please, take only pictures and memories. Leave only footprints. Please note that the times listed vary by season.



Arizona

Deer Valley Rock Art Center

(623)582-8007
A 1/4 mile trail takes you past a boulder-covered hillside with more than 1500 petroglyphs created over a span of 5000 years.

- yes
- adults-\$5, students/seniors-\$3, children 6-12 years-\$2
- 9am-2pm, Sat.9-5pm, Sun. 12-5pm
- In Phoenix, take I-17 to Deer Valley Road west (just north of Phoenix). Follow signs to entrance.

South Mountain Park

(602)495-0222
Petroglyphs are scattered throughout the park. Because of vandalism, location information is given out by a ranger when you arrive at the park.

- no
- none
- 5:30am to 9pm
- In Phoenix, take I-17 to I-10 east, exit at Baseline Road west to Central Ave. south to park entrance.

White Tank Mountain Regional Park

(623)935-2505
TDD(602)506-4123
The 1/2 mile Black Rock Loop Trail has some petroglyphs. The 2 mile round-trip Waterfall Trail leads to the Petroglyph Plaza.

- Black Rock Loop Trail and the first 1/2 mile of the Waterfall Trail are accessible
- \$5/private car
- Ranger station and park open 6am-8pm. Waterfall Trail closes at 5:30pm.
- In Phoenix, take I-17 to Dunlap Ave. west. Follow Dunlap, which becomes Olive St., to park entrance.

Saguaro National Park

(520)733-5153 Saguaro West
A 1/4 mile trail at the Signal Hill Picnic Area leads you up a small hill to petroglyph-covered boulders.

- no
- \$6/private car or \$3/adult
- 8:30am to 5:00pm
- In Tucson, take I-10 to the Speedway Rd. west exit. Speedway Rd. turns into Gates Pass Rd. Turn right on Kinney to park entrance. Motorhomes and vehicles pulling trailers not recommended; call for directions. Once in the park, the Signal Hill Picnic Area is located along Bajada Loop Drive.

Homolovi Ruins State Park

(928)289-4106
TDD(520)289-4421
Early petroglyphs may be seen along the 1/2 mile Tsu'vo trail, which is unpaved and sandy. Inquire at visitor center for others.

- no
- Varies by use; call for information dawn to dusk
- I-40 to Exit 257 near Winslow. Follow Hwy. 87 one mile to the park .

Petrified Forest National Park

(928)524-6228
Newspaper Rock, a huge sandstone boulder, is covered with petroglyphs. A viewing scope is located at the overlook.

- yes
- \$10/vehicle
- 8am-5pm
- I-40 east to US 180. Follow 180 to park entrance.

V Bar V Rock Art Site

USFS, Beaver Creek Ranger District
(928)282-4119
Short trail leads to petroglyph-covered rocks.

- no
- Red Rock Pass Program. \$5/adult
- Fri-Mon, 9:30am-3:30pm
- From I-17, take Exit 298 (Hwy. 179), go east on FS618 for 3.5 miles. At V bar V sign, turn right and park.

Palatki-Red Cliffs Site

USFS, Sedona Ranger District
(928)282-4119
Short trails lead you to Palatki cliff dwelling and many pictographs.

- no
- Red Rock Pass Program. \$5/adult
- 9:30am-3:30pm
- In Sedona from intersection of Hwy. 89A and Hwy. 179, go west on 89A to Dry Creek Rd., turn right. Turn left at dead end at Boynton Canyon. Turn right on FS 525. Turn right on FS 795, follow to parking lot.

New Mexico

Petroglyph National Monument

(505)899-0205
More than 17,000 prehistoric and historic American Indian and Hispanic petroglyphs have been recorded in the monument. Rinconada and Boca Negra canyons have trails leading to many petroglyph sites.

- One trail at Boca Negra Canyon is partially accessible
- \$1-2 parking fee at the Boca Negra Unit
- 8am-5pm daily
- From Albuquerque, take I-40 west to Unser Blvd. Follow signs to entrance.



Bandelier National Monument

(505)672-3861 ext. 517

The 1 mile round-trip Ruins Trail starts at the monument visitor center and takes you past Long House, along the face of a petroglyph and pictograph-covered cliff wall.

- limited
- \$10/vehicle
- trail open dawn to dusk
- From Santa Fe, take US 285 north to NM 502 west to NM 4. Follow to park entrance.

Three Rivers Petroglyph National Recreation Site

BLM, Las Cruces District

(505)525-4300

Two short trails lead to some of the 22,000 examples of rock art found at this site. The 1/2 mile Petroglyph Trail starts at the visitor shelter and leads to a hillside petroglyph site. The trail is unpaved and somewhat steep in places.

- A trail leading to the picnic area is partially accessible. A spotting scope is provided, with which you can see a few petroglyphs.

- \$3 per vehicle
- Open 24 hours with an on-site host
- From Albuquerque, take I-25 south to US 380 east to US 54 south. Park entrance is located off US 54.

Texas

Hueco Tanks State Historical Park

(915)857-1135

Look for petroglyphs scattered on boulders along the many short trails.

- no
- \$4/person 13 years and up
- 8am to 6pm
- From El Paso, take US 62/180 east to park entrance.

Utah

Sand Island Recreation Area

BLM, Moab District

(435)587-1500

An unpaved road overlooking the San Juan River takes you past petroglyph-covered cliff walls. A fence separates viewers from the rock art.

- Some petroglyphs may be visible with binoculars from your vehicle.
- none
- dawn to dusk
- From Bluff, go 3 miles west on US 191 to entrance road.

Capitol Reef National Park

(435)425-3791 ext. 111

A 1/8 mile trail starts at a pullout on Highway 24 and leads you to a large panel with petroglyphs created by the Fremont culture, AD 700-1300.

- Partially, with assistance
- \$5/vehicle
- Trails open 8am to 6pm
- From Torrey, take Highway 24 11 miles to park entrance.

Fremont Indian State Park

(435)527-4631

Ten short trails are located along the roadway, most of which have petroglyphs and pictographs created by the Fremont culture.

- A 1/3 mile trail, located behind the museum, is accessible.
- \$5/vehicle or \$1/person
- 9am to 6pm
- From St. George, take I-15 north to I-70 east to park entrance.

Newspaper Rock Site

BLM, Moab District

(435)587-1500

A panel covered with prehistoric and historic petroglyphs is located near the campground and road.

- yes
- none
- open 24 hours
- From Monticello, take US 191 north to State Highway 211 east for 11 miles.

Colorado

Mesa Verde National Park

(970)529-4465

The 3 mile Petroglyph Trail leads you to a petroglyph panel in a canyon. A permit is required for this backcountry hike and may be obtained at the museum complex near the trailhead. A few petroglyphs are also visible at Step House, which is open only during the summer season.

- no
- \$10/private vehicle
- 8am to 5pm
- From Cortez, take US 160 east to entrance road.

Nevada

Valley of Fire State Park

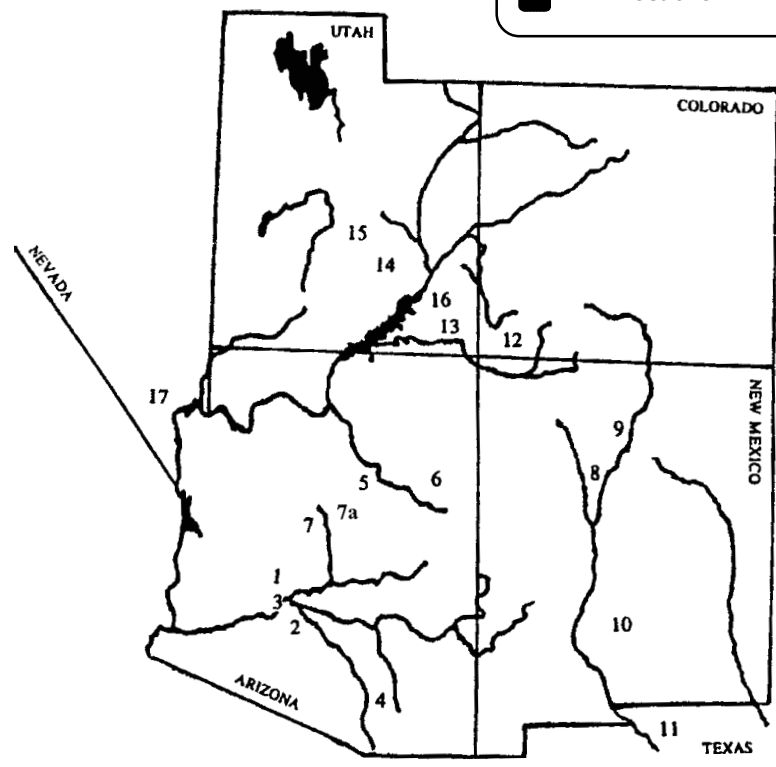
(702)397-2088

A staircase leads you up to Atlatl Rock, a large rock art panel. A 1/2 mile round-trip hike into Petroglyph Canyon leads you past hundreds of petroglyph panels.

- Some petroglyphs can be viewed with binoculars from the picnic area. Call ahead for information.
- \$5 per vehicle
- Trails open dawn to dusk
- From Las Vegas, take I-15 north to Exit 75, turn right. Follow 18 miles to park entrance.

Legend

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