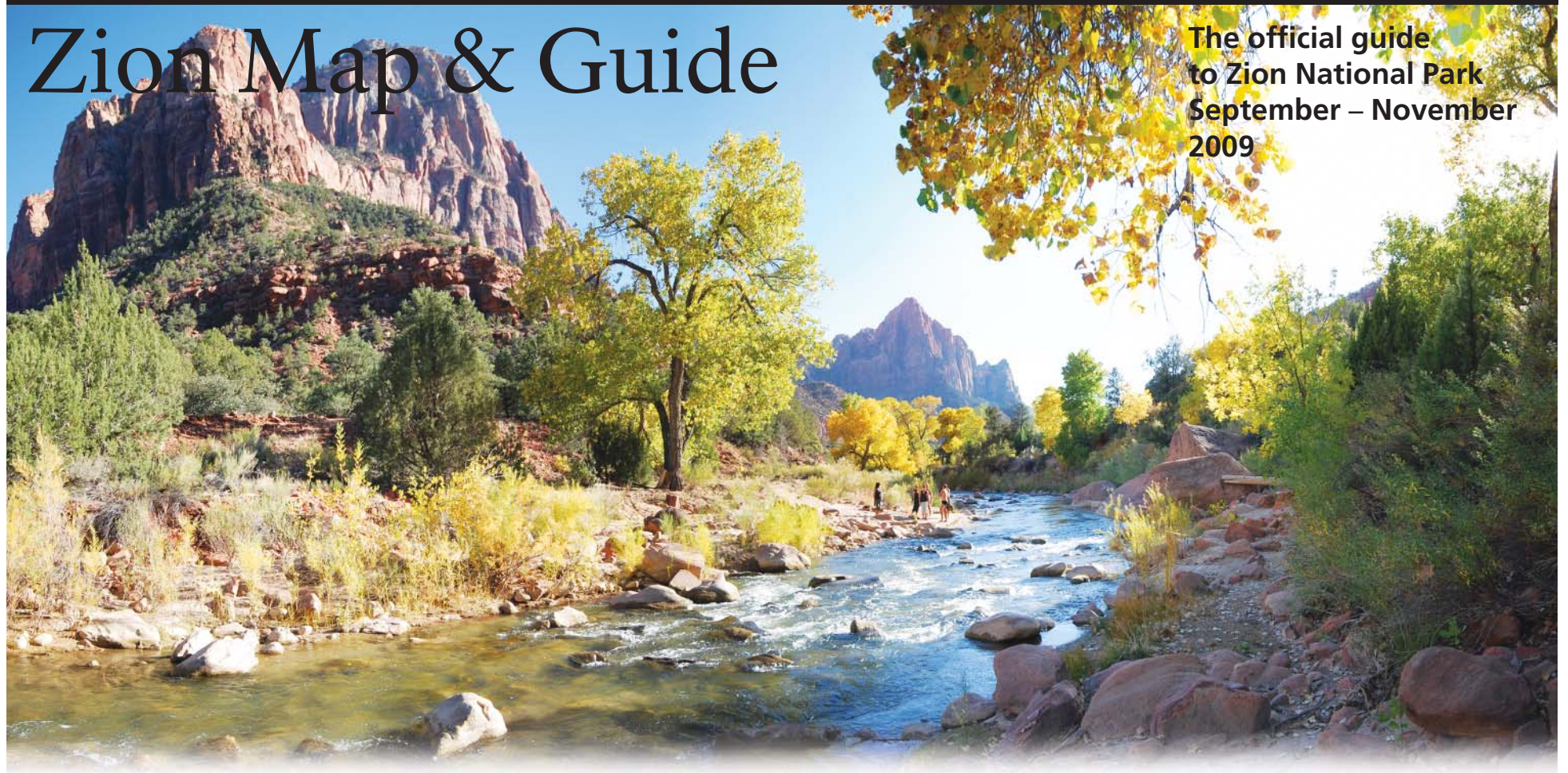




Zion Map & Guide

The official guide
to Zion National Park
September – November
2009



How to Use the Shuttle

The Zion Canyon Scenic Drive is accessible by shuttle bus only. *Private vehicles are not allowed until October 26, 2009.* It's easy to visit this part of the park—just hop on a free bus and let us do the driving.

Two Routes

The Springdale route will take you from town to the park entrance and visitor center. The Zion Canyon route starts at the visitor center and goes up the six-mile-long Zion Canyon Scenic Drive. A round-trip lasts 90 minutes. Buses run from dawn to after dark as often as every seven minutes. See page 12 for shuttle schedule. Buses are fully accessible. Pets are not allowed.

Plan Your Time

Use the exhibits at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center to plan your visit based on your time available (less than 3 hours or more than 3 hours) and your interests (sightseeing, hiking, and more). Check the schedule of ranger-led activities on page four and the park bookstore for maps and books to enhance your visit.

Climate Friendly

The Zion Canyon Shuttle System started in 2000 to reduce traffic congestion, parking conflicts, pollution, noise, and resource damage. It worked. Each full shuttle replaces 28 cars. In 2008, the shuttles reduced the number of visitor vehicle miles traveled per day by 50,385 and reduced CO₂ emissions by 24,201 pounds (12 tons) per day.

Where to Park

Park in Springdale

Parking inside the park is limited, congested, and full between 10 am and 3 pm. To avoid wasting time searching for a parking space, simply park in Springdale and ride the free shuttle to the park. Shuttles run from sunup to late in the evening from nine shuttle stops throughout town. If staying overnight in Springdale, leave your car at your lodging and take the shuttle.

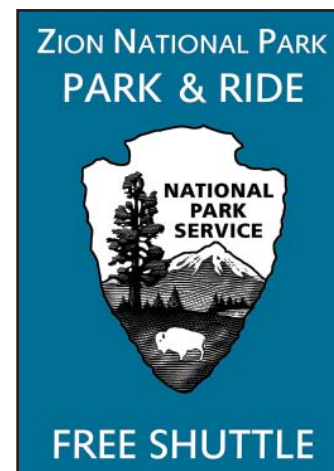
Save Time and Money

There is always a line at the vehicle entrance and waits can be long. Ride the shuttle to the pedestrian entrance where the line is short and you can enter the park faster. In addition, groups of one or two people can

save on their entrance fee at the pedestrian entrance. One person gets in at the individual rate of \$12 or two for \$24. A group or family of three or more will not be charged more than the \$25 per vehicle fee.

Park Responsibly

Improper parking is not safe, can damage park resources, and is discourteous to others. Please park in designated parking places. Because illegal parking is on the rise, parking regulations will be strictly enforced with citations based on violations of signed no parking areas, traffic obstruction, or damage to resources or government property. Park responsibly and avoid a ticket.



Park in Springdale where you see these signs.
A shuttle stop is not far away.

Trail Maps, Hiking Guide, and Shuttle Schedule Inside

Visitor Center Hours

September 1 – September 7

Zion Canyon	8 am – 8 pm
• Permits	7 am – 8 pm
History Museum	9 am – 7 pm
Kolob Canyons	8 am – 6 pm

September 8 – October 12

Zion Canyon	8 am – 6 pm
• Permits	7 am – 6 pm
History Museum	9 am – 6 pm
Kolob Canyons	8 am – 5 pm

October 13 – November 29

Zion Canyon	8 am – 5 pm
• Permits	8 am – 4:30 pm
History Museum	10 am – 5 pm
Kolob Canyons	8 am – 4:30 pm

Nature Center

September 1 – September 6

Jr. Ranger Program 9 am & 1:30 pm

Emergencies

Call 911 or 435 772-3322 twenty-four hours a day or contact a park ranger.

Lost and Found

Report at any park visitor center or museum.



National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior

Zion National Park

Superintendent Jock Whitworth

Mailing Address

Zion National Park
Springdale, Utah 84767

Web Site

www.nps.gov/zion

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435 772-3256
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Backcountry Information 435 772-0170

E-mail

ZION_park_information@nps.gov

Employment Information

www.usajobs.opm.gov. Seasonal jobs are listed at www.sep.nps.gov.

Zion National Park Compendium

Regulations specific to Zion can be found at www.nps.gov/zion/parkmgmt.

This Is Canyon Country

Steep Cliffs

Loose sand or pebbles on stone are very slippery. Be careful of cliff edges when using cameras or binoculars. Never throw or roll rocks; there may be hikers below.

- Stay on the trail.
- Stay back from cliff edges.
- Observe posted warnings.
- Parents-watch your children!



This symbol is a warning. Falls from cliffs on these trails have resulted in death.

Flash Floods

All narrow canyons are potentially hazardous. Flash floods, often from storms miles away, present a real danger and can be life-threatening. By entering a narrow canyon, you are assuming a risk.

Judgment

Whether hiking, climbing, or driving, your safety depends on your good judgment,



Flash floods occur without warning.

adequate preparation, and constant attention. Don't ruin your vacation by having an accident. *Your safety is your responsibility.*

Water

The desert is dry. Carry enough water for everyone in your group. Water is available at visitor centers, campgrounds, and Zion Lodge. Do not drink untreated water.



This one took place in seconds. A hiker would not survive.

Information and Services

Emergencies

For 24-hour emergency response, call 772-3322 or 911. Zion Canyon Medical Clinic is in Springdale, 435 772-3226. The nearest hospitals are in St. George, Cedar City, and Kanab.

Accessibility



Restrooms, visitor centers, museum, and Zion Lodge are fully accessible. Several campsites are reserved for people with disabilities, and two trails are accessible.

Pets

Pets are not allowed on shuttles, in the backcountry, on trails, or in public buildings. They must be under physical control on a leash no longer than six feet at all times. Pets may be walked on the Pa'rus Trail. Boarding kennels are available in Rockville, Hurricane, Kanab, St. George, and Cedar City.

Entrance Fees

Private Vehicle \$25 per vehicle, good for 7 days in Zion National Park.

Individual \$12 per person (pedestrian, bicycle, motorcycle, and organized group), good for 7 days in Zion National Park.

Zion Annual Pass \$50, good for one year from date of purchase at Zion only.

Commercial Tours Ask for rates.

Interagency Senior Pass \$10 lifetime pass for U.S. residents 62 or older.

Interagency Annual Pass \$80, good for one year from date of purchase at all federal fee areas.

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Interagency Access Pass

Free lifetime pass for U.S. residents who are permanently disabled.

Camping

Watchman Campground Open all year.

Fees: \$16 a night, \$18 per night with electric hookups, \$20 per night for river sites (half price for holders of Golden Age/Access Passports and Interagency Senior/Access Passes). Reservations may be made for Watchman Campground six months in advance for April 1–October 24; on-line at www.recreation.gov, or call 877 444-6777. Sites are first-come, first-served October 25–early April.

South Campground Open March 6

through late October, sites are first-come, first-served. Fee: \$16 per night.

Group Campsites Available April 1 through October 24 by reservation to organized groups of 9-50 people for \$3.00 per person per night; on-line at www.recreation.gov, or call 877 444-6777.

Facilities Restrooms, drinking water, picnic tables, fire grates, dump stations.

Other Campgrounds Private campgrounds with showers and hookups are available outside the park.

Fires

When fire danger is high, all campfires may be banned. When permitted, fires are allowed in fire grates at campgrounds and picnic areas. Bring or buy firewood; collecting is not permitted. No fires are allowed in the backcountry at any time.

Bicycling

- Avoid cars by riding the Pa'rus Trail. Watch for pedestrians and leashed pets.
- Park shuttles will not pass bicyclists—stop in turnouts to allow them to pass.
- Don't pass a moving bus—the driver cannot see you.
- Use caution passing a stopped bus.
- Ride single file.
- Children must stay with parents.
- Please wear your helmet.
- Automobile rules of the road apply to bicycles.
- Bicycles are not allowed off roadways.
- Shuttles have racks for two bicycles.

Backpacking

Permits are required for all backcountry camping—there is a fee. Maximum group size is 12 people. Permits and hiking information are available at visitor centers. See the *Zion Backcountry Planner* for more information.

Climbing

Climbing on Zion's sandstone requires appropriate hardware and technical skills. Climbing information is available at visitor centers. Some routes may be closed to climbing when peregrine falcons are nesting. A permit (fee) is required for overnight climbs.

Horseback Riding

Guided trips are available March 8 through October, 435 772-3810. For private stock use, see the *Zion Backcountry Planner*.

Watercraft

All watercraft use in the park requires a backcountry permit. Permits are issued when the river is flowing in excess of 140 cubic feet per second. Inner tubes are not permitted at any time on any watercourse in the park.

Food Service

Zion Lodge Dining room serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Cafe offers grab-and-go lunches. Dinner reservations are advised: 435 772-7760.

Other Food Service Restaurants available in Springdale, near east entrance, Mt. Carmel Junction, and Kanab.

Groceries Grocery stores available in Springdale and Kanab. Convenience stores available in Mt. Carmel Junction.

Lodging

Zion Lodge Three miles north on Zion Canyon Scenic Drive. Open year-round. Rooms, cabins, suites, and gift shop. Reservations recommended: 888 297-2757, 435 772-7700, or www.zionlodge.com.
Other Lodging Available in Springdale, Rockville, near east entrance, Mt. Carmel Junction, Kanab, and Cedar City.

Worship Services

Offered during summer; check bulletin boards for times.

Interdenominational Christian Zion Lodge and South Campground
LDS Springdale
Roman Catholic Zion Lodge

Making the Most of Your Time



The Watchman Trail

Less Than 3 Hours

Zion Canyon Scenic Drive

The easiest way to see some of the park’s most beautiful sights in a limited time is to ride the Zion Canyon Shuttle. Round-trip will take a minimum of 90 minutes.

Weeping Rock Trail

Short but steep walk on a paved path where springs continually drip from overhead. .5 miles/.5 hours round-trip, climbs 98 feet. Shuttle stop: Weeping Rock

Court of the Patriarchs

Short but steep trail leads to views of the Sentinel and the Three Patriarchs. 100 yards/.25 hours round-trip, climbs 40 feet. Shuttle stop: Court of the Patriarchs

Zion-Mt. Carmel Highway

The 10-mile road that connects the east and south entrances is a steep drive up switch-backs and through the mile-long tunnel. This is the main access to Bryce Canyon and the North Rim of Grand Canyon. Large vehicle restrictions see page 12.

More Than 3 Hours

Lower Emerald Pool Trail

One place where you’ll often find at least a small waterfall. Easy, 1.2 miles/1 round-trip, climbs 69 feet. Minor drop-offs. Shuttle stop: Zion Lodge

Riverside Walk

Beautiful, shaded walk meanders through forested glens, following the path of the Virgin River into a high-walled canyon. Easy, 2 miles/1.5 hours round-trip, climbs 57 feet. Shuttle stop: Temple of Sinawava

Watchman Trail

Views of the West Temple and lower Zion Canyon. Best hiked early or late in the day, often hot in summer. Moderate, 2.7 miles/2 hours round-trip, climbs 368 feet. Shuttle stop: Zion Canyon Visitor Center

Hidden Canyon Trail

Steep climb to the mouth of Hidden Canyon. Hikers may continue but there is no

maintained trail. Strenuous, 2 miles/3 hours round-trip, climbs 850 feet. Warning! Steep cliffs. Not for anyone fearful of heights. Shuttle stop: Weeping Rock

Angels Landing Trail

Steep trail climbs Walter’s Wiggles past Scout Lookout, with spectacular views of Zion Canyon. Strenuous, 5 miles/4 hours round-trip, climbs 1,488 feet. Warning! Steep cliffs. Not for anyone fearful of heights or young children. Shuttle stop: The Grotto

Observation Point

High on the east rim, the trail ends on a slender peninsula overhanging the valley floor offering spectacular views on three sides. Strenuous, 8 miles/5 hours round-trip, climbs 2,148 feet. Warning! Steep cliffs. Not for anyone fearful of heights. Shuttle stop: Weeping Rock

Visitor Centers

Zion Canyon Visitor Center

At the south entrance, near Springdale. It is the main access for the Zion Canyon Shuttle. Exhibits help you plan your visit and make the most of your time. Rangers are available to answer questions and issue backcountry permits. Books and maps.

Zion Human History Museum

First shuttle stop. Exhibits explain how humans have interacted with Zion. Orientation movie, information, and books.

Orientation Movie

Twenty-two minute film highlights the park. Shown daily on the hour and half hour in the Zion Human History Museum.

Kolob Canyons Visitor Center

Interstate 15 at Exit 40, 45 miles north of Springdale and 17 miles south of Cedar City. Rangers are available to answer questions and issue backcountry permits. Exhibits, books, and maps.



Weeping Rock



Biking the Pa’rus Trail



Angels Landing Trail with the Virgin River 1,200 feet below



Use the exhibits at the visitor centers and the orientation movie to plan how to best use your time.

Ranger-led Programs



Ranger-led activities are a fun and rewarding way to learn about Zion. All programs are free. Allow time for shuttle transportation to meeting locations.

Talks (20–30 minutes)

Animal Icons

Rattlesnake? Condor? Discover the lifestyle and habits of one of Zion’s famous residents. Museum Patio. Accessible.

Desert Struggles

Uncover the secrets of survival in the desert environment. Museum Patio. Accessible.

Footsteps in Time

Explore the history and culture of Utah’s native people. Museum Patio. Accessible.

Pioneer Glimpses

Unravel the history and lifestyle of Zion’s early residents. Museum Patio. Accessible.

Ranger’s Choice

Join a ranger and explore a topic of their choice. Zion Lodge Lawn. Accessible.

Stories in Stone

Unearth the past by exploring the fossil record left behind. Museum Patio. Accessible.

Water, Rocks, and Time

Uncover the geologic story behind the striking scenery. Museum Patio. Accessible.

Windows into the Past

Discover the events or projects that helped shape Zion. Museum Patio. Accessible.

Zion Zoology

Explore the natural history of some of Zion’s most interesting inhabitants. Museum Patio. Accessible.

Canvas of Cliffs (1.5 hrs, drop-in anytime)

Weather permitting, look at life on the cliffs and the stories of the surrounding peaks. Stop by anytime during the times listed. Big Bend Shuttle Stop. Accessible.

Junior Ranger Programs

Both programs meet at the Nature Center. Register 15 mins. before program start time.

Explorer (2.5 hrs) Kids 6-12 years old have an adventure in Zion. Drop-off program.

Discovery (1.5 hrs) Parents and their children discover Zion together.

Shuttle Tours

Ride with a Ranger (2 hrs) Enjoy a unique experience as you travel along Zion Canyon Scenic Drive on a ranger-led shuttle bus tour. Stops will provide an intimate look at Zion Canyon. Seating is limited. Make reservations up to one day in advance at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center. Arrive 15 minutes prior to departure. Accessible.

Walks and Hikes

Canyon Country (3 hrs, strenuous 2.5-mi) Travel along impressive terrain in search of Zion’s narrow canyons. Steep drop-offs. Weeping Rock Shuttle Stop.

Discover Kolob (2 hrs, moderate, 2-mi) Uncover stories of history and nature as you take an intimate look at the beauty of Kolob Canyons. Make reservations in advance at the Kolob Canyons Visitor Center or call 435 586-9548.

Emerald Escape (2 hrs, moderate 2-mi) Experience splendors found along an ever-changing trail. Emerald Pools Trailhead.

Faces and Places in Time (1.5 hrs, easy 1-mi) Follow a beautiful, tree-lined route along the river as you explore the rich history of Zion Canyon. Zion Lodge Lawn.

Hiking the Kayenta (2 hrs, moderate 1.5-mi) Hike along a trail with spectacular views and discover Zion’s unique natural and cultural history. Grotto Shuttle Stop.

Riverside Ramble (1.75 hrs, easy 2-mi) Discover the power of water in canyon country. Riverside Walk Trailhead.

Rock and Stroll (1.5 hrs, easy 1-mi) Follow the Virgin River and unearth the geologic processes that sculpt the scenery. Big Bend Shuttle Stop.

The Narrows (4.5 hrs, strenuous 6-mi) Surround yourself with towering cliffs, slot canyons, and hanging gardens on this epic journey through the Virgin River. Make reservations up to three days in advance at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center.

Walking the Watchman (2.5 hrs, moderate 2.5-mi) Explore a diverse and beautiful landscape teeming with life. Visitor Center Shuttle Stop.

What’s Flyin’ in Zion (2 hours, easy 1-mile walk) Find some of Zion’s winged residents. Bring binoculars. Make reservations up to three days in advance at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center.

Evening Programs

Discover what makes Zion such a special place. 45–minute programs address a wide variety of topics at Watchman Campground Amphitheater and Zion Lodge Auditorium. Parking at Watchman Campground for non-campers. Check bulletin boards at the visitor center, museum, and campgrounds for topics. Accessible.

Fall Program Schedule

September 2009

Tuesday, September 1

8:00 am What’s Flyin’ in Zion
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:00 am Jr. Ranger Explorer
11:25 am Pioneer Glimpses
1:30 pm Jr. Ranger Discovery
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Hiking the Kayenta
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program
9:00 pm Watchman Evening Program

Wednesday, September 2

9:00 am Canyon Country
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:00 am Jr. Ranger Explorer
11:25 am Zion Zoology
1:30 pm Jr. Ranger Discovery
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
6:00 pm Rock and Stroll
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program
9:00 pm Watchman Evening Program

Thursday, September 3

9:00-10:30 am Canvas of Cliffs
9:00 am Hiking the Kayenta
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:00 am Jr. Ranger Explorer
11:25 am Stories in Stone
1:30 pm Jr. Ranger Discovery

2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Riverside Ramble
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program
9:00 pm Watchman Evening Program

Friday, September 4

8:30 am The Narrows
9:00 am Faces and Places in Time
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:00 am Jr. Ranger Explorer
11:25 am Animal Icons
1:30 pm Jr. Ranger Discovery
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Emerald Escape
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program
9:00 pm Watchman Evening Program

Saturday, September 5

9:00 am Discover Kolob
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:00 am Jr. Ranger Explorer
9:30 am Riverside Ramble
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
12:55 pm Desert Struggles
1:30 pm Jr. Ranger Discovery
2:25 pm Zion Zoology
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
6:00 pm Rock and Stroll
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program
9:00 pm Watchman Evening Program

Sunday, September 6

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:00 am Walking the Watchman
9:00 am Jr. Ranger Explorer
11:25 am Water, Rocks and Time
12:55 pm Windows into the Past
1:30 pm Jr. Ranger Discovery
2:25 pm Footsteps in Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Hiking the Kayenta
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program
9:00 pm Watchman Evening Program

Monday, September 7

9:00-10:30 am Canvas of Cliffs
9:00 am Emerald Escape
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Animal Icons
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Riverside Ramble
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program
9:00 pm Watchman Evening Program

Tuesday, September 8

8:00 am What’s Flyin’ in Zion
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Pioneer Glimpses
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Hiking the Kayenta
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program

Wednesday, September 9

9:00 am Canyon Country
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Zion Zoology
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Rock and Stroll
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program

Thursday, September 10

9:00-10:30 am Canvas of Cliffs
9:00 am Hiking the Kayenta
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Stories in Stone
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Riverside Ramble
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program

Friday, September 11

8:30 am The Narrows
9:00 am Faces and Places in Time
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Animal Icons
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Emerald Escape
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program

Saturday, September 12

9:00 am Discover Kolob
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
10:00 am Riverside Ramble
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Zion Zoology
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Rock and Stroll
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program
9:00 pm Lodge Evening Program

Sunday, September 13

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:00 am Walking the Watchman
11:25 am Windows into the Past
2:25 pm Footsteps in Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Hiking the Kayenta
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Monday, September 14

9:00 am Emerald Escape
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:30-11:00 am Canvas of Cliffs
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Animal Icons
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Riverside Ramble
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Tuesday, September 15

8:30 am What’s Flyin’ in Zion
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Pioneer Glimpses
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Hiking the Kayenta
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Wednesday, September 16

9:00 am Canyon Country
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Zion Zoology
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Rock and Stroll
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Thursday, September 17

9:00 am Hiking the Kayenta
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:30-11:00 am Canvas of Cliffs
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Windows into the Past
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Riverside Ramble
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Friday, September 18

8:30 am The Narrows
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:30 am Faces and Places in Time
11:25 am Animal Icons
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Emerald Escape
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Saturday, September 19

9:00 am Discover Kolob
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
10:00 am Riverside Ramble
11:25 am Desert Struggles
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:30 pm Rock and Stroll
6:00 pm Ride with a Ranger
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Sunday, September 20

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:00 am Walking the Watchman
11:25 am Animal Icons
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Hiking the Kayenta
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Monday, September 21

9:00 am Emerald Escape
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:30-11:00 am Canvas of Cliffs
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Footsteps in Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Riverside Ramble
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Tuesday, September 22

8:30 am What’s Flyin’ in Zion
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Animal Icons
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Hiking the Kayenta
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Wednesday, September 23

9:00 am Canyon Country
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Zion Zoology
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Rock and Stroll
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Thursday, September 24

9:00 am Hiking the Kayenta
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:30-11:00 am Canvas of Cliffs
11:25 am Stories in Stone
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
4:30 pm Riverside Ramble
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Friday, September 25

8:30 am The Narrows
9:30 am Faces and Places in Time
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Animal Icons
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Emerald Escape
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Saturday, September 26

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
10:00 am Riverside Ramble
11:25 am Desert Struggles
2:25 pm Zion Zoology
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
5:00 pm Rock and Stroll
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program



Sunday, September 27

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:30 am Walking the Watchman
11:25 am Windows into the Past
2:25 pm Footsteps in Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
4:30 pm Hiking the Kayenta
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Monday, September 28

9:00 am Emerald Escape
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
9:30-11:00 am Canvas of Cliffs
11:25 am Desert Struggles
2:25 pm Animal Icons
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
4:00 pm Riverside Ramble
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Tuesday, September 29

9:00 am Hiking the Kayenta
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Zion Zoology
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
4:00 pm Walking the Watchman
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

Wednesday, September 30

9:00 am Canyon Country
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Desert Struggles
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
3:00 pm Ranger’s Choice
4:30 pm Rock and Stroll
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program
8:30 pm Watchman Evening Program

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Thursday, October 1

9:00 am Faces and Places in Time
9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
10:00-11:30 am Canvas of Cliffs
11:25 am Zion Zoology
2:25 pm Windows into the Past
4:00 pm Emerald Escape
8:00 pm Watchman Evening Program
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Friday, October 2

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Zion Zoology
4:30 pm Walking the Watchman
8:00 pm Watchman Evening Program
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Saturday, October 3

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Stories in Stone
4:30 pm Rock and Stroll
8:00 pm Watchman Evening Program
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Sunday, October 4

11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Footsteps in Time
4:00 pm Hiking the Kayenta
8:00 pm Watchman Evening Program
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Monday, October 5

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Desert Struggles
2:25 pm Pioneer Glimpses
4:00 pm Riverside Ramble
8:00 pm Watchman Evening Program

Tuesday, October 6

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Animal Icons
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
4:00 pm Faces and Places in Time
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Wednesday, October 7

11:25 am Zion Zoology
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
8:00 pm Watchman Evening Program
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Thursday, October 8

9:00 am Hiking the Kayenta
11:25 am Animal Icons
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Friday, October 9

11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Zion Zoology
8:00 pm Watchman Evening Program
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Saturday, October 10

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
4:00 pm Emerald Escape
8:00 pm Watchman Evening Program
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Sunday, October 11

9:00 am Ride with a Ranger
11:25 am Water, Rocks, and Time
2:25 pm Desert Struggles
4:00 pm Rock and Stroll
8:00 pm Watchman Evening Program
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Monday, October 12

9:00 am Hiking the Kayenta
11:25 am Zion Zoology
2:25 pm Water, Rocks, and Time
8:30 pm Lodge Evening Program

Shuttle Information

- Springdale shuttle route
- Zion Canyon shuttle route and shuttle stop
- Designated wilderness

Other Visitor Information

- Paved road open to private vehicles
- Unpaved road (impassable when wet)
- Mileage
- Trail
- Ranger station
- Drinking water
- Restrooms
- Picnic area
- Campground
- Primitive campground
- Trails shown on Trail Guide

April 4 – October 25, 2009, Zion Canyon Scenic Drive is open to shuttle buses only. Park your car and ride the shuttle.

Map of Zion Canyon Scenic Drive

Legend:

- Shuttle Information:**
 - Zion Canyon shuttle route (green line)
 - Springdale shuttle route (orange line)
- Other Visitor Information:**
 - Paved road open to private vehicles (solid line)
 - Overlook/parking (dashed line)
 - Road distance and indicator (line with '1.1mi 1.8km')
 - Hiking trail (dashed line)
 - Trails shown on Trail Guide at right (circle with number)
 - Park & Ride (P icon)
- Shuttle stop** (bus icon)
- Shuttle stops on request or when people are waiting (flag stop)** (bus icon with flag)
- Ranger station** (person icon)
- Drinking water** (cup icon)
- Restrooms** (toilet icon)
- Campground** (tent icon)
- Picnic area** (picnic table icon)
- Wheelchair accessible** (wheelchair icon)
- Amphitheater** (stage icon)

Key Locations and Features:

- Top:** THE NARROWS, Riverside Walk, Temple of Sinawava, West Rim Trail, Observation Point, Weeping Rock, Big Bend, Angels Landing, Hidden Canyon Trail, Cable Mountain, Cable Mountain Trail, East Rim Trail.
- Middle:** Emerald Pools Trails (detail page 8), The Grotto, Zion Lodge (Lodging, food, trail rides), Court of the Patriarchs, Canyon Junction, Canyon Overlook Trail, Zion-Mount Carmel Highway, Pa'rus Trail (paved trail; bicycles and pets permitted), Tunnel (No bikes or pedestrians allowed. See page 12 for restrictions on large vehicles.), Watchman Trail.
- Bottom:** Zion Human History Museum, Zion Nature Center (Junior Ranger Program), Zion Canyon Theater, Zion Canyon Visitor Center, Watchman Campground, Private campground, Desert Pearl/Post Office, Canyon Ranch, Bumbleberry/Zions Bank, Zion Park Inn, Driftwood, Silver Bear, Majestic View.

Directions: To 9 and 89, Mt. Carmel Junction, Grand Canyon National Park, and Bryce Canyon National Park.

Notes: April 4 through Oct. 25, 2009, Zion Canyon Scenic Drive is open to shuttle buses only. Private vehicles are not allowed beyond Canyon Junction.

Trail & Shuttle Stop	Round Trip (mi/km)	(avg.time)	Ascent (ft/m)	Description	Map Location
Zion Canyon					
Pa'rus Trail Zion Canyon Visitor Center	3.5/5.6	1-1/2 hrs.	50/15	Easy Paved trail follows Virgin River from South Campground to Canyon Junction.	1
Weeping Rock Weeping Rock	0.5/0.8	1/2 hour	98/30	Short but steep Minor drop-offs. Paved trail ends at a rock alcove with dripping springs. Trailside exhibits.	2
Archeology Trail Zion Canyon Visitor Center	0.4/0.6	1/2 hour	80/24	Short but steep Trail climbs a small hill to the outlines of small prehistoric storage buildings. Trailside exhibits.	3
Riverside Walk Temple of Sinawava	2.0/3.2	1-1/2 hrs.	57/17	Easy Minor drop-offs. Paved trail follows Virgin River along bottom of narrow canyon. Trailside exhibits.	4
Lower Emerald Pool Zion Lodge	1.2/1.9	1 hour	69/21	Easy Minor drop-offs. Paved trail to lower pool and waterfalls.	5
Middle Emerald Pools Zion Lodge	2.0/3.2	2 hours	150/46	Moderate Long drop-offs. This is the access to the Upper Pools.	5
Canyon Overlook Zion-Mt.Carmel Highway-east of long tunnel	1.0/1.6	1 hour	163/50	Moderate Long drop-offs, mostly fenced. Rocky, uneven trail ends at spectacular viewpoint of lower Zion Canyon and Pine Creek Canyon.	6
Watchman Zion Canyon Visitor Center	2.7/4.3	2 hours	368/ 112	Moderate Minor drop-offs. Ends at view-point of lower Zion Canyon, Oak Creek Canyon, and Springdale.	7
Hidden Canyon Weeping Rock	2.0/3.2	3 hours	850/ 259	Strenuous Long drop-offs. Not for anyone fearful of heights. Ends at mouth of narrow canyon.	8
Angels Landing The Grotto	5.0/8.0	4 hours	1488/ 453	Strenuous Long drop-offs and narrow trail. Not for anyone fearful of heights. Ends at summit high above Zion Canyon. Last 0.5 mi (0.8 km) follows steep, narrow ridge; chains have been added.	9
Observation Point Weeping Rock	8.0/12.9	5 hours	2148/ 655	Strenuous Climbs through Echo Canyon to Observation Point. Excellent views of Zion Canyon. Trail gives access to other East Rim plateau trails: Cable Mountain and Deertrap Mountain.	10
Kolob Canyons					
Timber Creek Overlook Kolob Canyons picnic area	1.0/1.6	1/2 hour	100/30	Moderate Follows ridge top to small peak with views of Timber Creek, Kolob Terrace and Pine Valley Mountains.	11
Taylor Creek 2 mi. east of Kolob Canyons Visitor Center	5.0/8.0	4 hours	450/ 137	Moderate No drop-offs. Follows Middle Fork of Taylor Creek past two homestead cabins to Double Arch Alcove.	12
Kolob Arch Lee Pass	14/22.5	8 hours	699/ 213	Strenuous No drop-offs. Follows Timber and La Verkin Creeks and ends at Kolob Arch, possibly the world's largest free-standing arch.	13

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Hiking & Canyoneering

HIKING IN CANYONS, EVEN SHORT HIKES, REQUIRES ADVANCE PLANNING. MANY HIKES INVOLVE walking in water, and the rivers and washes are subject to flash flooding. River flow varies greatly depending on time of year and weather conditions. Check the National Weather Service weather forecast and flash flood potential before entering any canyon; posted daily in visitor centers. See the *Zion Backcountry Planner* for additional information.

Permits

Permits are required for all overnights, through-hikes of The Narrows and tributaries, Left Fork of North Creek (the Subway), Kolob Creek, and all canyons requiring the use of technical equipment. Permits are issued at visitor centers the day before your hike. Cost:

- \$10 for 1-2 people
- \$15 for 3-7 people
- \$20 for 8-12 people.

Reservations are available on-line for many permits: www.nps.gov/zion.

Group Size

The maximum group size is 12 people of the same affiliation on the same trail or in the same drainage on the same day. The limit for some canyons is 6 people.

Be Prepared

All narrow canyons are potentially hazardous. Flash floods, cold water, and strong currents present real dangers that can be life-threatening. Your safety depends on your own good judgment, adequate preparation, and constant attention. *By entering a narrow canyon, you are assuming a risk. Your safety is your responsibility.*

Zion Narrows

Weather and water conditions permitting, there are three ways to hike The Narrows:

Short Day Hike Continue upstream beyond the end of the Riverside Walk up to Big Spring. 1 to 5 hours, round trip. No permit required.

Through Day Hike Hike downstream from Chamberlain's Ranch. This strenuous 16-mile all-day hike requires a private shuttle to the trailhead and a permit.

Overnight Hike Hike downstream from Chamberlain's Ranch. This two-day hike requires a shuttle to the trailhead and a permit. Maximum stay is one night. Fires are not allowed.

Zion Narrows Checklist

- Obtain *weather and flash flood potential forecasts* before starting your trip.
- Wear *sturdy boots* or shoes with ankle support.
- Take a *walking stick*. Do not cut tree branches for sticks.
- Small children *should not hike in the river* due to strong currents and deep pools.
- Carry out all trash: food wrappers, apple cores, fruit peels, tissue paper—everything you carried in.
- Carry one gallon of *drinking water* per person for a full-day hike, food, sunglasses, sunscreen, and first aid kit.
- Take a *sweater or windbreaker*. The Narrows is much cooler than Zion Canyon.
- Pack gear in *waterproof bags*.
- Use the *restroom* at the Riverside Walk Trailhead before hiking. There are no toilets in The Narrows.

Emerald Pools Trails

THIS SERIES OF POOLS AND WATERFALLS MAY BE ACCESSED BY THREE DIFFERENT ROUTES. THESE trails, as well as a short trail to the upper pool, connect and can be combined as a loop. There is always a small waterfall at the lower pool. If it rains, there may be larger waterfalls at both the upper and lower pools.

Lower Emerald Pool Trail

Easy, 1.2-mile out and back, 69-foot ascent. Paved trail to the pool, then continues behind the waterfalls that cascade from the middle pools into the lower pool.

Middle Emerald Pools Trail

Moderate, 1-mile one-way, 150-foot ascent. Unpaved climb to a sandstone ledge that parallels the lower trail but at a higher level. Do not go near the edge. Deaths have occurred from falling from the middle pools. Loose sand and pebbles on stone are very slippery.

Upper Emerald Pool Trail

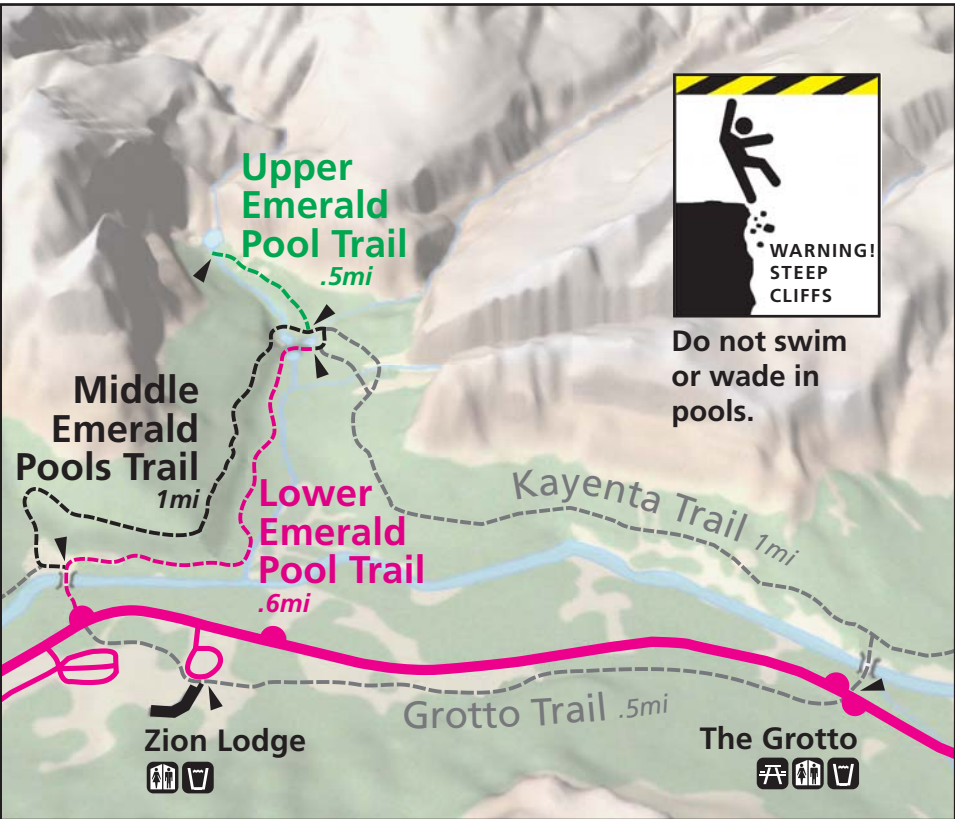
Moderate, .5-mile from Middle Pool Trail one-way, 200-foot ascent. A sandy, rocky trail climbs to the base of the cliff.

Kayenta Trail

Moderate, 1-mile one-way, 150-foot ascent. Unpaved climb to a sandstone ledge, connects The Grotto to the Middle Emerald Pools.

Grotto Trail

Easy, .5-mile one-way, level. Trail connects Zion Lodge to The Grotto Picnic Area. Can be linked with Middle Emerald Pools and Kayenta Trails allowing a 3-mile loop hike.



Mountain Lions

MOUNTAIN LIONS ARE WILD ANIMALS AND CAN BE DANGEROUS. THEY HAVE BEEN OBSERVED frequently in the park. An attack by one is unlikely—there is a far greater risk of being struck by lightning. Zion National Park has never had a reported attack on people or pets. However, mountain lions have attacked in other areas.

Some mountain lions are currently radio-collared in the Zion area as part of a multi-year study to learn more about the habits of these elusive creatures.

Recommendations for Your Safety

- Watch children closely, and never let them run ahead or lag behind.
- Solo hiking, jogging or biking is not recommended.
- Never approach a mountain lion. Most will try to avoid a confrontation. Always give them a way to escape.

- Do not run! Try to look large. Put your arms up.
- If a mountain lion approaches, wave your arms, shout, and throw rocks or sticks at it.
- If attacked, fight back.
- Report any mountain lion sightings or encounters to a park ranger as soon as possible.



This young male mountain lion was photographed with an infrared-triggered remote camera.

Maintaining Sanctuary



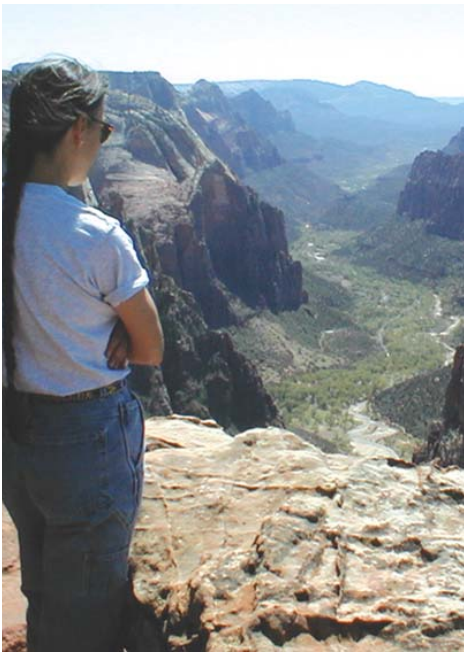
Zion National Park is much more than just a recreational destination. It is a sanctuary of natural and cultural resources—a living museum for all the world. Conserving this heritage is a task the National Park Service cannot accomplish alone. All of us serve a critical role in maintaining Zion’s sanctuary for the future.



Please stay on marked trails. Hiking off trails can lead to loss of vegetation, soil compaction, erosion, and unsightly scars on the landscape.



“The squirrel bit me in less than a second. It took 13 stitches.”—B.W. Wild animals can hurt you. Don’t feed them. Human foods are not healthy for wildlife. Feeding, harming, or capturing wild animals is illegal and can cause injury or death to the animal.



Please respect the peace and quiet of the park and protect the subtle sounds of nature by traveling quietly.



Vegetation lives longer when cars remain on the pavement. Please park in designated spaces only. Fines can be as high as \$250.

Weather and Climate

Be prepared for a wide range of weather conditions. Temperatures vary with changes in elevation and day/night temperatures may differ by over 30°F/17°C.

Spring

Stormy, wet days are common, but warm, sunny weather may occur too. Precipitation peaks in March. Spring wildflowers bloom from April through June, peaking in May.

Summer

Days are hot (95–110°F/35–43°C), but night lows are comfortable (65–70°F/18–21°C). Afternoon thunderstorms are common mid-July through mid-September. Storms may produce waterfalls and flash floods.

Fall

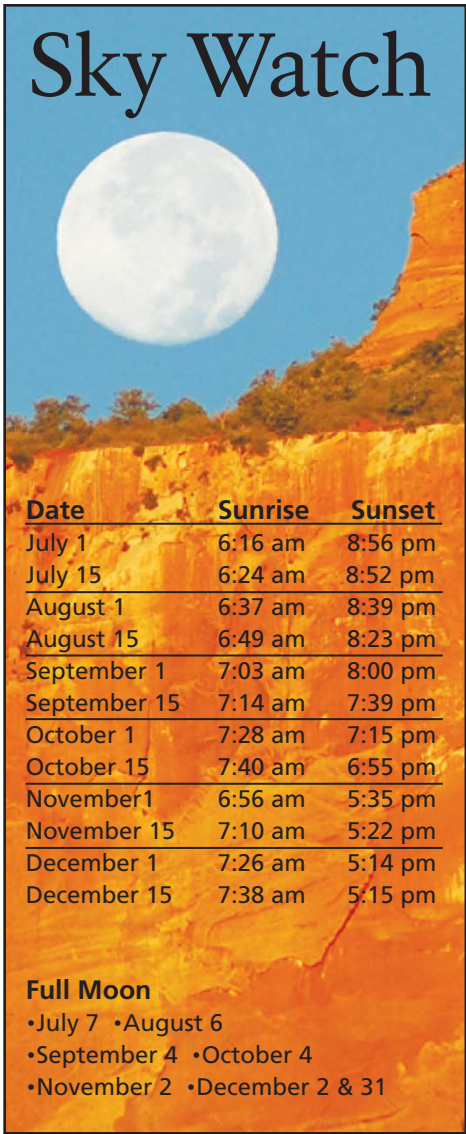
Days are usually clear and mild; nights are often cool. Autumn color displays begin in September in the high country. Colors in Zion Canyon usually peak in late October.

Winter

Winters in Zion Canyon are fairly mild. Winter storms bring rain or light snow to Zion Canyon, but heavier snow to the higher elevations. Clear days can reach 60°F; nights are often in the 20s and 30s. Winter storms can last several days and cause roads to be icy. Zion roads are plowed, except the Kolob Terrace Road, which is closed in winter. Be prepared for winter driving conditions from November through March.

Month	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Temperature (°F)												
normal daily max	52	57	63	73	83	93	100	97	91	78	63	53
normal daily min	29	31	36	43	52	60	68	66	60	49	37	30
extreme high	71	78	86	94	102	114	115	111	110	97	83	71
extreme low	-2	4	12	23	22	40	51	50	33	23	13	6
days above 90°F	0	0	0	1	8	21	30	28	18	3	0	0
days below 32°F	19	14	10	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	18
Precipitation (inches)												
normal	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.3	0.7	0.6	0.8	1.6	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.5
maximum	7.5	6.7	7.1	4.4	3.0	4.0	3.6	4.8	6.7	3.3	3.2	4.3
max 24 hour	1.6	1.3	0.9	1.2	1.8	2.2	1.1	1.6	1.4	1.3	1.3	2.0
max snowfall	26	18	14	3	T	0	0	0	T	1	5	21
days w/precip	7	7	8	6	5	3	5	6	4	4	5	6
thunderstorms	0	0	0	1	4	5	14	15	5	2	0	0

Sky Watch



Date	Sunrise	Sunset
July 1	6:16 am	8:56 pm
July 15	6:24 am	8:52 pm
August 1	6:37 am	8:39 pm
August 15	6:49 am	8:23 pm
September 1	7:03 am	8:00 pm
September 15	7:14 am	7:39 pm
October 1	7:28 am	7:15 pm
October 15	7:40 am	6:55 pm
November 1	6:56 am	5:35 pm
November 15	7:10 am	5:22 pm
December 1	7:26 am	5:14 pm
December 15	7:38 am	5:15 pm

Full Moon

- July 7
- August 6
- September 4
- October 4
- November 2
- December 2 & 31

Park Profile



Common raven

Established

1909 as Mukuntuweap National Monument; expanded in 1919 as Zion National Park. Kolob Canyons added in 1956.

Significance

Established to preserve and protect aesthetic and scientific values:

- Stunning scenery found nowhere else on earth.
- A geologic showpiece with sandstone cliffs among the highest in the world.
- One of the last mostly free-flowing river systems on the Colorado Plateau.
- A large, diverse plant and animal community.
- Evidence of human occupation both historic and prehistoric, including excellent examples of Civilian Conservation Corps work.

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Lisa Ogden

Collared lizard

Size

232 square miles (148,733 acres).

Elevation

Lowest: 3,666 ft (1,117 m), Coalpits Wash in the southwest corner. Highest 8,726 ft (2,660 m), Horse Ranch Mountain.

Precipitation

Average: 15 inches in Zion Canyon.

Name

Zion, interpreted by Mormons as a place of safety or refuge, given to this canyon by Mormon pioneers in the 1860s. Kolob, in Mormon theology, is a heavenly place close to God.

Humans

Evidence of Ancestral Puebloans, known as the Anasazi, date from 2,000 years ago;



Desert bighorn sheep

Southern Paiutes from about 800 years ago to present. Mormon settlers arrived in the 1860s. Park visitation in 1920 was 3,692; in 2008 it reached 2.7 million.

Plant Life

Zion protects a rich diversity of plants with almost 800 native species. Differences in elevation, sunlight, water, and temperature create “microenvironments,” like hanging gardens, side canyons, and isolated mesas that lend to this diversity.

Animal Life

67 species of mammals, 207 birds, 35 reptiles and amphibians, six native fish. Commonly seen animals include mule deer, lizards, and many species of birds. Rare or endangered species include the peregrine falcon, Mexican spotted owl, California



Canyon treefrog

condor, desert tortoise, and the Zion snail, found nowhere else on earth.

Zion Canyon Shuttle

Includes 30 propane buses. In 2008, ridership was 3.5 million. Each bus/trailer combination replaces 28 cars.

Wilderness

On March 30, 2009, President Barack Obama signed a bill into law designating 124,406 acres of Zion National Park as wilderness. The bill also added 648 acres of Bureau of Land Management land into the park on the east edge of Springdale. Ninety percent of Zion is managed under the 1964 Wilderness Act. The wilderness is shown on the map on page 6.



ZION CANYON FIELD INSTITUTE

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EDUCATIONAL ADVENTURES IN ZION
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These are experiences that Zion Canyon Field Institute (ZCFI) participants enjoy during their workshops. The Field Institute educates and inspires visitors about the greater Zion National Park ecosystem and environment. ZCFI is the educational division of the non-profit Zion Natural History Association, publisher and seller of books on Zion National Park and related subjects for over 70 years. The Field Institute sponsors outdoor workshops with expert and engaging instructors and challenging itineraries that immerse participants in the park and stimulate investigation of its many natural and cultural resources. These workshops take place at and around Zion National Park, Cedar Breaks National Monument, and Pipe Spring National Monument.

All classes include hiking from moderate to strenuous. Most classes also include an indoor component such as a lecture, slide presentation, demonstration, or time to examine animal or plant specimens.

FALL COURSE SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Zion Narrows
- 5 Saturday Bird Watching
- 16 Wednesday Wildlife Walk
- 17 Thursday Trek
- 19 Zion Narrows
- 24-25 Autumn Photography
- 26 ZNP Foundation Annual Fall Fundraiser

OCTOBER

- 3 The Illustrated Journal
- 3 Saturday Bird Watching
- 8 Thursday Trek
- 16 Rim to Floor
- 17-18 Zion 101
- 19-20 Archaeology Service Project
- 21 Wednesday Wildlife Walk

- 22 Watercolor Journaling at Kolob Canyons
- 25-27 Fall Foliage Photography
- 28 Archaeology Road Trip: Zion to Pipe Spring

NOVEMBER

- 5 Thursday Trek
- 7-8 Geology of the Grand Staircase
- 11 Wednesday Wildlife Walk
- 13 Zion Geology
- 14 Virgin River Wilderness and Beaver Dam Mountains: A Geologic Journey

DECEMBER

- 3 Thursday Trek
- 11-12 Winter Photography

SERVICE PROJECTS

Participants have the opportunity to get a “backstage” view of Zion, to learn intensively about a single subject, and to be part of a project that benefits Zion National Park.

TO ENROLL

Visit our web site at www.zionpark.org or stop by the Zion Canyon Visitor Center. Call us for a free catalog of workshops at 435 772-3264 or 800 635-3959. Fees range from \$25-\$80 per day.

PRIVATE WORKSHOPS

Our “Explore Zion” program provides private workshops for your small group or family scheduled at your convenience.



Studying a bat caught in a mist net. Bat Biology and Conservation.

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October 12 Craig Childs
Moving Water; Noted author and NPR commentator looks at the varied character of water in the Southwest.

October 30 Janet Seegmiller
Zion National Park: A View from the SUU Archive; SUU curator presents a talk on Zion ephemera from the university archive.

December 4 Wayne Ranney
Ancient Landscapes of the Colorado Plateau; Geologist and author presents reconstructed maps of the area’s ancient geologic past.

All lectures are free and open to the public. Held at 7:30pm at the Canyon Community Center in Springdale (126 Lion Boulevard).

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Large Vehicles



The tunnel was built for cars like this 1930s model.

THE ZION-MT. CARMEL TUNNEL IS BETWEEN THE EAST ENTRANCE AND ZION CANYON. IT WAS built in the 1920s when cars were small and few in number. Some large modern vehicles will not fit without assistance.

Vehicle Size

Vehicles sized 7'10" in width or 11'4" in height, or larger, are required to have an "escort" (traffic control) through the Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel. Vehicles this size are too large to stay in their lane while traveling through the tunnel. Nearly all RVs, buses, trailers, fifth-wheels, dual-wheel trucks, campers, and boats will require an escort.

Arranging an Escort

Visitors requiring an escort *must pay a \$15 fee per vehicle in addition to the entrance fee*. Pay this fee at a park entrance before driving to the tunnel. The fee is good for two trips through the tunnel for the same vehicle during a 7-day period.

You will not be following an escort vehicle through the tunnel. Rangers will stop

oncoming traffic and when the tunnel is clear, you will drive down the middle of the road. We apologize for the delays that many visitors will encounter as a result of this safety precaution. Oversize vehicles must travel through the tunnel during the hours listed below, when rangers are stationed at the tunnel:

- Sept. 1 – Sept. 19, 8 am–8 pm daily.
- Sept. 20–Oct. 24, 8 am–7 pm daily.
- Oct. 25–Oct. 31, 8 am–6 pm daily.
- Nov. 1 – Feb. 2009, 8 am–4:30 pm daily.

Prohibited Vehicles

- Vehicles over 13'1" tall.
- Semi-trucks.
- Commercial vehicles.
- Vehicles carrying hazardous materials.
- Vehicles weighing more than 50,000 lbs.
- Single vehicles over 40' long.
- Combined vehicles over 50' long.
- Bicycles and pedestrians.



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If your vehicle is 11'4" (3.4m) tall or taller or 7'10" (2.4m) wide or wider, including mirrors, awnings, and jacks, you will need a tunnel escort.

Shuttle Schedule



Shuttle at Weeping Rock with the Great White Throne in the background.

THE ZION CANYON SCENIC DRIVE IS BY SHUTTLE ONLY FROM APRIL 4 TO OCTOBER 25, 2009. *Private vehicles are not allowed*. Plan your trip to include using the shuttle. There is room for backpacks and climbing equipment. Buses are fully accessible. *Pets are not allowed*.

Sept. 1 – Sept. 12

Zion Canyon Loop

Visitor Center departures	
first bus	5:45 am
10-15 minute service	6:30–9 am
6-10 minute service	9 am–8 pm
15 minute service	8–9 pm
30 minute service	9–10:30 pm
last bus up canyon	10:30 pm
last departure from Temple of Sinawava	11 pm

Springdale Loop

Express bus up-canyon	
leaves Majestic View	5:30 am
Zion Canyon Theater departures	
first bus	7 am
10-15 minute service	7 am–10 pm
30 minute service	10–11 pm
last bus into town	11 pm
last departure from Majestic View	11:15 pm

Sept. 13 – Oct. 25

Zion Canyon Loop

Visitor Center departures	
first bus	6:45 am
15 minute service	7–8:30 am
7-10 minute service	8:30 am–8 pm
15 minute service	8–9 pm
last bus up canyon	9:30 pm
last departure from Temple of Sinawava	10 pm

Springdale Loop

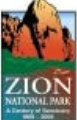
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last bus into town	10 pm
last departure from Majestic View	10:15 pm



Avoid parking hassles—park in town, ride the free shuttle, and walk into the park.



Shuttles take you to all trailheads and points of interest in Zion Canyon.



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