

NATIONAL PARKS

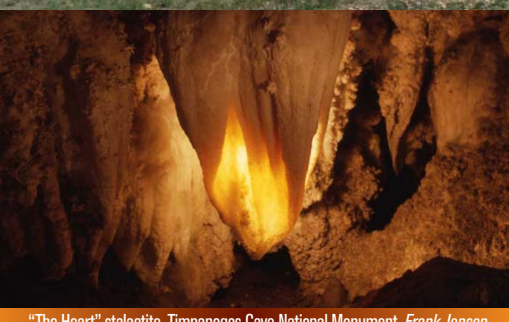
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Thor's Hammer at sunrise, Bryce Canyon National Park, *Frank Jensen*

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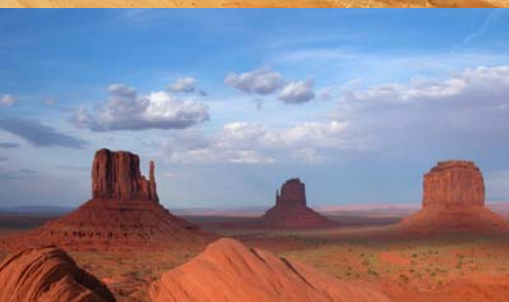
Golden Spike National Historic Site, *Frank Jensen*



"The Heart" stalactite, Timpanogos Cave National Monument, *Frank Jensen*



Delicate Arch at Arches National Park, *Ric Ergenbright*



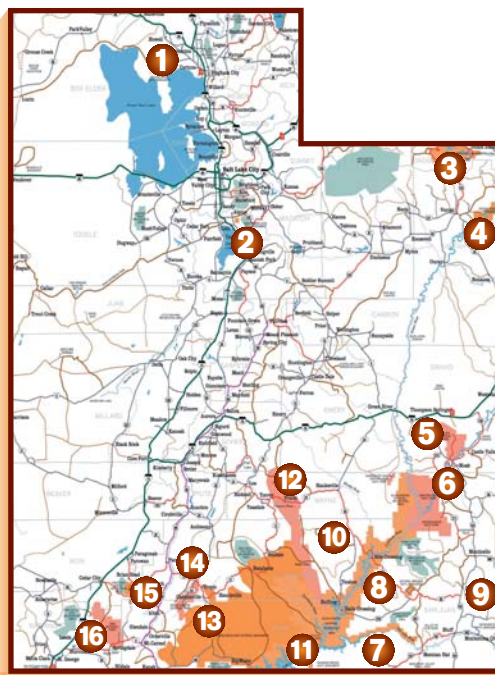
Monument Valley from the Utah side, *Robert Riberia*



Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area, *Tom Till*

Experience soaring spires, towering pinnacles, bottomless sandstone canyons, intricately eroded arches and towering walls of sculptured stone. Watch as the sunset invades the sky and ignites the sandstone cathedrals and thrones. Allow yourself to be taken in by lush greens, sparkling blues, fierce reds and vibrant oranges. Come experience the wide open space, vast beauty and utter peacefulness of these lands.

- ★ Utah is home to five National Parks, seven National Monuments, one National Historic Site and two National Recreation Areas.
- ★ Utah serves as a gateway to five additional National Parks in adjacent states: Grand Canyon, AZ; Great Basin, NV; Mesa Verde, CO and Yellowstone/Grand Teton, WY.
- ★ Zion National Park is the second most popular tourist attraction in the state.
- ★ Arches National Park holds the largest concentration of natural stone arches in the world.
- ★ Utah is home to the largest and second largest natural bridges in the world.



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Northern Utah

1 Golden Spike National Historic Site

On May 10, 1869, officials of the Union Pacific and Central Pacific Railroads met here to drive four symbolic spikes into the ground to celebrate the completion of the first transcontinental railroad. Golden Spike National Historic Site: 435-471-2209, www.nps.gov/gosp

2 Timpanogos Cave National Monument

The northern slope of Mt. Timpanogos is comprised of three limestone caverns connected by man-made tunnels. Stalactites, stalagmites, dripstone and flowstone litter the caves making a spectacle well worth the 1.5-mile hike to get there. Timpanogos Cave NM: 801-756-5238, www.nps.gov/tica

Northeastern Utah

3 Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area

Famous for its trophy trout fishing and its surrounding red rock mountains, Flaming Gorge Recreation Area is the perfect place for anyone interested in water sports. Flaming Gorge District Ranger: 435-784-3445, www.is.fed.us/r4/ashley

4 Dinosaur National Monument

Dinosaur National Monument is the largest quarry of Jurassic Period dinosaur bones ever discovered, at more than 200,000 acres and 350 million tons of discovered fossils. Dinosaur NM: 435-781-7700, www.nps.gov/dino

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Canyonlands National Park



Ancestral Puebloan dwelling at Hovenweep National Monument, Tom Till



Cedar Breaks National Monument



Lake Powell, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Jerry Sintz



Sunset Arch, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, Tom Till



The Watchman, Zion National Park, Frank Jensen

Southeastern Utah

5 Arches National Park

This desert landscape, accentuated by 2,000 natural stone arches, stands silent against the alpine backdrop of the La Sal Mountains.

Arches NP: 435-259-8161, www.nps.gov/arch

6 Canyonlands National Park

View thousands of feet down to the Colorado and Green Rivers or thousands of feet up to the redrock pinnacles, cliffs and spires in Utah's largest and most diverse national park.

Canyonlands NP: 435-259-7164, www.nps.gov/cany

7 Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park

Though not designated a National Park, Monument Valley is administered by the Navajo Nation and serves as an iconic symbol of the American West.

Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park: 435-727-5870, www.discovernavajo.com/mv.html

8 Natural Bridges National Monument

Features three natural river-carved bridges connected by a nine mile round-trip drive.

Natural Bridges NM: 435-692-1234, www.nps.gov/nabr

9 Hovenweep National Monument

Built by Pre-Puebloan Indians over 1,500 years ago, the ruins at Hovenweep spread over a 20 mile expanse of mesa tops and canyons.

Hovenweep NM: 970-562-4282, www.nps.gov/hove

10 Glen Canyon NRA (Lake Powell)

11 Rainbow Bridge National Monument

Lake Powell is surrounded by canyons, inlets and coves all sheltering Indian ruins and other natural wonders. It is also home to Rainbow Bridge National Monument, the largest natural bridge in the world and a site considered sacred to the native peoples of the Navajo Nation. Glen Canyon Recreation Area: 928-608-6200, www.nps.gov/glca

Southwestern Utah

12 Capitol Reef National Park comprises 378 square miles of colorful canyons, ridges, buttes and monoliths. About 75 miles of the long up-thrust called the Waterpocket Fold, extending like a rugged spine from Thousand Lake Plateau southward to Lake Powell, is preserved within the park boundary.

Capitol Reef NP: 435-425-3791, www.nps.gov/care

13 Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument

Proclaimed a National Monument by President Clinton in 1996, this 1.7 million acre park is larger than the state of Delaware! A land of bold plateaus and multi-hued cliffs, the Grand Staircase was the last place in the Continental U.S. to be mapped.

Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument: 435-675-3200, www.ut.blm.gov/monument

14 Bryce Canyon National Park

Not really a canyon, the Bryce amphitheater is characterized by its thousands of pillars, columns, windows and hoodoos, all delicately carved by millions of years of erosion by wind and sand.

Bryce Canyon NP: 435-834-5322, www.nps.gov/brca

15 Cedar Breaks National Monument is situated at an elevation of 10,000 feet is a spectacular sandstone amphitheater that will amaze any visitor.

Cedar Breaks NM: 435-586-9451, www.nps.gov/cebr

16 Zion National Park Named by early Mormon pioneers, "Zion" means the "promised land," which is the perfect way to describe Zion's peaceful yet dramatic landscape of sculptured canyons and soaring cliffs.

Zion NP: 435-772-3256, www.nps.gov/zion

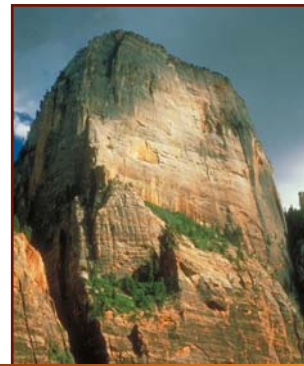
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The world's largest known natural bridge, Rainbow Bridge National Monument, Tom Till



Temples of the Sun & Moon, Capitol Reef National Park, Frank Jensen



The Great White Throne, Zion National Park, Tom Till