



Longbow Arch - POTASH ROAD



Rating: Easy Hike

Length: 1-2 hours (1.2 miles)

Gear: Standard Hiking Gear

Maps: MOAB, UT;

Water: None.

Season: Any, hot in summer.

Waypoints:

Trailhead

12S 621253mE 4265854mN

N38° 31' 58" W109° 36' 32"

Longbow Arch

12S 620868mE 4266883mN

N38° 32' 32" W109° 36' 47"

Hype

An excellent family friend hike that is close to Moab, Longbow Arch is a highly recommended evening or morning hike in the summer and a great hike any time during the cooler times of the year. This is an extension to the dinosaur tracks trail. Combining the rock art, dinosaur prints, and arch makes for a pleasant 1/2 day outing with enough diversity to keep most interested.

This is a great addition to the [Potash Road Attractions](#) outing that adds on more petroglyphs/pictographs, and dinosaur prints in addition to the arch hike described here.

Tags: *dog friendly, family friendly, beginner, access: paved*

Trailhead

Go north out of Moab on highway 191 to the Potash Road at milepost 129.8. Reset your odometer here. Major roadside attractions are as follows:

4.3 miles - Wall Street on your right. This area of the road is very popular with rock climbers

5.0 miles - Indian Writings sign and pullout on the south side of the road. The panels are 10-12 feet above the road. Either the bank washed out, or was removed when the road was put in. This has left the panels well preserved.

5.1 miles - Indian Writings sign and pullout on the south side of the road. From the pullout, the panel is clearly visible on the north side of the road a 1 minute walk.

5.2 miles - Not a pullout, but many panels along the cliff band here.

5.7 miles - Poison Spider trailhead 0.1 miles on the right. This is the Longbow Arch trailhead. There is a pit toilet at the trailhead.

Route

From the pit toilet at the parking area, follow the social trail. It splits near the cliff at a sign. Go right to visit the petroglyph panel.

Go left, following the painted blazes on the rock and well worn social trail. The trail meanders near the Poison Spider Jeep Trail, then continues due north up a wide canyon.

Near the head of the canyon, the trail cuts right (east) a short distance up a side canyon to the prominent Longbow Arch on the left cliff wall. The arch has a span of approximately 60'.

Return the same way.

