

# Kolob Canyons - Kolob Arch via La Verkin Creek Trail – Friday, October 24 at 8:00 AM



This is a 13.9 mile out-and-back trail in the Kolob Canyons area of Zion National Park. Warning: This is generally considered a strenuous hike, with a 1,050-foot climb back to the trailhead on the return trip. However, it is a fantastic trail with beautiful views...and the arch is wonderful! The trail begins at the Lee Pass Trailhead and passes

by the open finger canyons of the near-by cliffs as it travels along Timber Creek. After coming around the corner and within view of La Verkin Creek, the trail descends the slope down to the creek bottom on a hard packed trail. Once on the creek bed, the trail heads upstream offering amazing views of the surrounding cliffs. It is nearly 7 miles from Lee Pass to Kolob Arch, which is possibly the largest free-standing arch in North America. This trail is best in the spring, summer and fall. Because of the length of the hike, we are thinking of camping out at one of the campsites along the way overnight (lightweight bivouac style because the weather should still be quite nice – talk to Dana for info) and then return the next day (Saturday, 25 Oct).

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** This announcement is being made early so folks have plenty of time to plan and prepare for this trip. Please contact trip leader Dana Smith to RSVP and receive help planning for the hike.

If you'd like to go, meet at the Walmart Supercenter parking lot at 625 W Telegraph St. in Washington, Utah at 8:00 AM on Friday, October 24 in the north corner of the lot along Telegraph Road. We will then carpool to the Kolob Canyons Visitor Center along I-15. Remember to bring snacks, comfortable walking shoes and dress appropriately for the weather (suggest layering your clothing so you can adjust to any changes in temperature). Also remember that you'll need to bring lightweight camping gear and sufficient clothing, food and water for an overnight trip. (Talk to Dana about logistics...we can share stuff to lighten everybody's load!) Please click on the following link for a good review of the trail:

[Hiking Kolob Arch Via Lee Pass](#)