



Skylight Arch Drive and Hike

Description: This is an inverted arch overlooking Hwy. 89. You can see the arch from Hwy. 89 looking up or you can drive/hike to the top of the cliff and look down through the top of the arch. There are many intersecting dirt roads in this area. The safest and easiest way to hike is to use a GPS.

To Drive: 4-wheel-drive vehicles only. 12 miles roundtrip; 1-2 hours roundtrip including the short hike to the arch. Drive 5.5 miles north of the Carl Hayden Visitor Center. Turn left ½ mile past Arizona mile marker 535.

Set your odometer to 0 at the turn-off

Odometer	GPS Waypoint	Description
0	N36° 59' 02.5" W111° 33' 07.4"	Drive down the badly paved road until the pavement ends.
.7 miles	N36° 59' 16.9" W111° 33' 52.8"	Turn left at the telephone poles onto the dirt road
2.2	N3° 6 58' 37.8" W111° 35' 17.3"	Take the first left fork
2.5	N36° 58' 22.1" W111° 35' 28.9"	Drive over the cattle guard and drive straight – do not turn left.
2.8	N36° 58' 20.0" W111° 35' 44.2"	Turn right at the 3-way. You will be going up a small hill.
3.6	N36° 58' 55.0" W111° 36' 03.5"	Turn right and head downhill
**3.7 (directions from this point to the end are for both hiking and driving)	N36° 58' 57.7" W111° 35' 58.2"	Turn right after crossing the cattle guard. (There is a cowboy glyph on the right side of the road in front of the guard that says, "A Button")
4.2	N36° 59' 21.2" W111° 36' 07.6"	There are balanced rocks to the right
4.7	N36° 59' 31.5" W111° 36' 36.6"	Turn right
4.9	N36° 59' 41.4" W111° 36' 41.1"	Turn right

5.0	N36° 59' 49.2" W111° 36' 43.8"	Turn left
5.1	N36 ° 59' 51.3" W111° 36' 45.4"	Turn left
5.2	N36° 59' 50.6" W111° 36' 46.3"	Hard right turn – head towards the lake
5.3	N36° 59' 53.0" W111° 36' 38.6"	Turn left
6.0	N37° 0' 26.2" W111° 36' 29.1"	Park here at the circular turn-around Walk from here continuing north (towards the highway). There is no clearly defined trail to the arch so you will have to look for it. It overlooks the highway. This an in inverted arch. You will be standing on top of it and looking down through it. Enjoy the great views of the surrounding area as well.

To Hike

Moderate 5-8 hour hike with a 10-minute drive from Carl Hayden Visitor Center. There is no shade on this trail. Bring plenty of water and food.

A GPS is extremely helpful for this hike.

Drive 7.6 miles north of the Carl Hayden Visitor Center and turn left ½ mile into Utah before mile marker 1 onto an unmarked dirt road. Drive 0.9 miles to a cattle guard. Cross the cattle guard and park at the corral. **CAUTION:** *Do not drive up the road from here to the arch as it is impassable due to very deep sand.*

Walk 1.2 miles up the sandy road with the cliffs on your right and the highway at your back. At the top, turn right and walk 50 feet to the cattle guard.

From here, follow the driving directions (located on the other side of this paper) from Odometer **3.7 to the end.

To view from Highway 89

Traveling north on Hwy 89, park just past Arizona mile marker 537 on the right side of the highway. Look across to the cliff and look up. You will see the arch. You cannot hike to the bottom of the arch as it is on private property with posted "NO TRESPASSING" signs.