

Day Hike - Grandview Trail

Grand Canyon National Park

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Trail Condition: Unmaintained steep trail requires caution. Rocky and strenuous. Give uphill hikers the right of way. Upper portion of the trail may be extremely icy in winter or early spring.

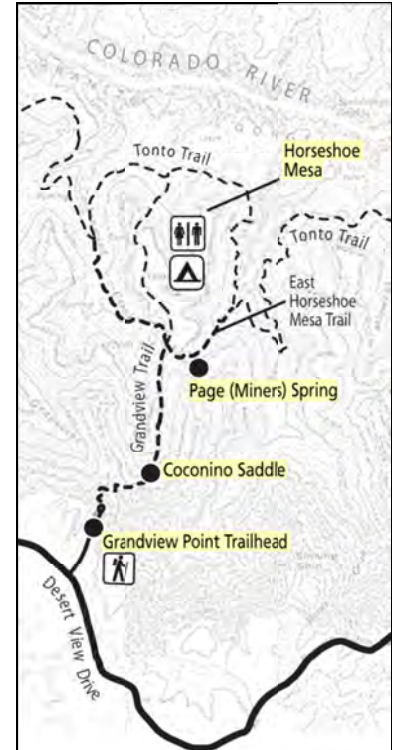
Directions to Trailhead: Located on the South Rim, by vehicle to Grandview Point, 12 miles east of village along Desert View Drive. Trail begins on canyon side of retaining wall at Grandview Point.

Trailhead Elevation: 7,400 feet.

Services: NO assistance on trail.

Note: NO water along trail.

The Grandview Trail day hikes are to Coconino Saddle or Horseshoe Mesa. Day hiking as far as Horseshoe Mesa is not recommended during summer. Trail gets steeper and more tricky beyond Coconino Saddle. Trail conditions are tougher than the Bright Angel and South Kaibab trails.



Allow extra hiking time because of trail conditions. Plan on taking twice as long to hike up as it took to hike down. Hiking boots recommended. For experienced desert hikers.

Everyone needs to carry water! A common mistake is not carrying water or not carrying enough water. When hiking in a group, each person should be carrying water. **Remember to eat as well as drink while hiking**, you use a lot of energy hiking the canyon.

Destination	Distance (in Miles)		Elevation Feet (at Destination)	Services:			Notes
	One Way	Round Trip		W = Water; T = Toilet; E = Emergency Phone			
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Coconino Saddle	1.1	2.2	6235				Recommended SUMMER day hike point. Trail gets steeper and more rocky beyond here. Use extra caution along narrow sections. No water.
Miners Spring Jct.	3	6	4800				Junction Sign.
Horseshoe Mesa / Toilet Jct.	3	6	4900		X		Stone Cabin & Junction Sign. Use extra caution along narrow sections. Toilet. No water.
Use extreme caution hiking on the Mesa during summer, little trail shade.							

Avoid trouble by Hiking Smart

- Plan your hike before you start.
- Balance your food and water intake. Eat salty snacks and drink water or sports drinks.
- Go slowly, rest often, stay cool. Allow the weakest hiker to set the pace.
- During the summer, hike during the cooler, shadier times of the day.



Depending on how prepared you are, your trip can be a vacation or a challenge, a revelation or an ordeal. Over 250 people are rescued from the canyon each year. The difference between a great adventure in Grand Canyon and a trip to the hospital (or worse) is up to YOU.

DO NOT attempt to hike from the rim to the river and back in one day, especially May to September.

Additional information on trails, distances, seasonal hiking tips, Frequently Asked Questions, and safety tips, can be found on the Backcountry Hiking section of the Grand Canyon web site at www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/backcountry.htm