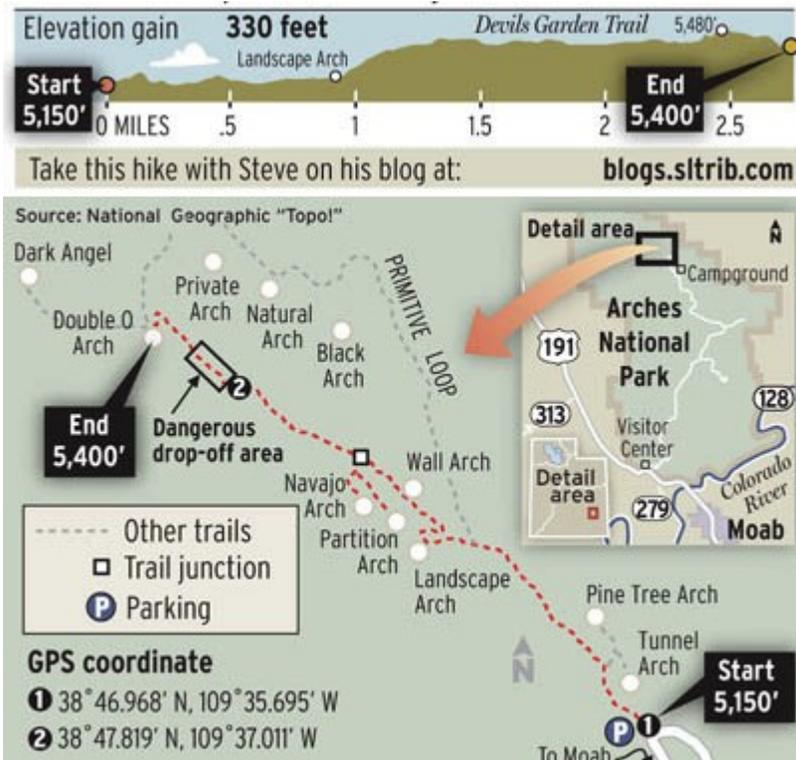




A hiker makes his way among the rock fins to Landscape Arch.

This hike takes you near five spectacular arches. As you make your way among the rock fins, the trail is graveled and well-maintained. You arrive at Landscape Arch at 0.9 mi. After the arch, the trail becomes more challenging as you follow cairns and cross over slickrock. Wall Arch hugs the trail as you enjoy the shade in this narrow area. The trail opens with cairns leading the way to the Navajo and Partition Arch junction. You come to the junction at 1.3 miles into the hike. This easy side trip is well worth the time to see these beautiful arches. As you continue on the main trail, you come to a sign directing you to Double O Arch. From here, the trail goes to the top of a rock fin with dangerous drop-offs on both sides. After the rock fin, you come to Double O Arch. Take time to explore more of Arches National Park and remember to bring plenty of water for your adventure. Parents with small children should only visit Landscape Arch on this hike, because of the challenging terrain beyond it.



Getting there: In Arches National Park, follow the signs for the campground. On the one-way loop, drive past the campground exit and park in the lot for the trailhead.

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Region: Southeast Utah

Destination: Double O Arch

Distance: 5.5 miles, including Navajo and Partition Arches

Time: Around 4 hours

Elevation Gain: 330 feet

Dog Allowed: No

Restrooms: Yes

Biking: N/A

GPS Location: 38.7827562, -109.5951202

Difficulty: 3

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