

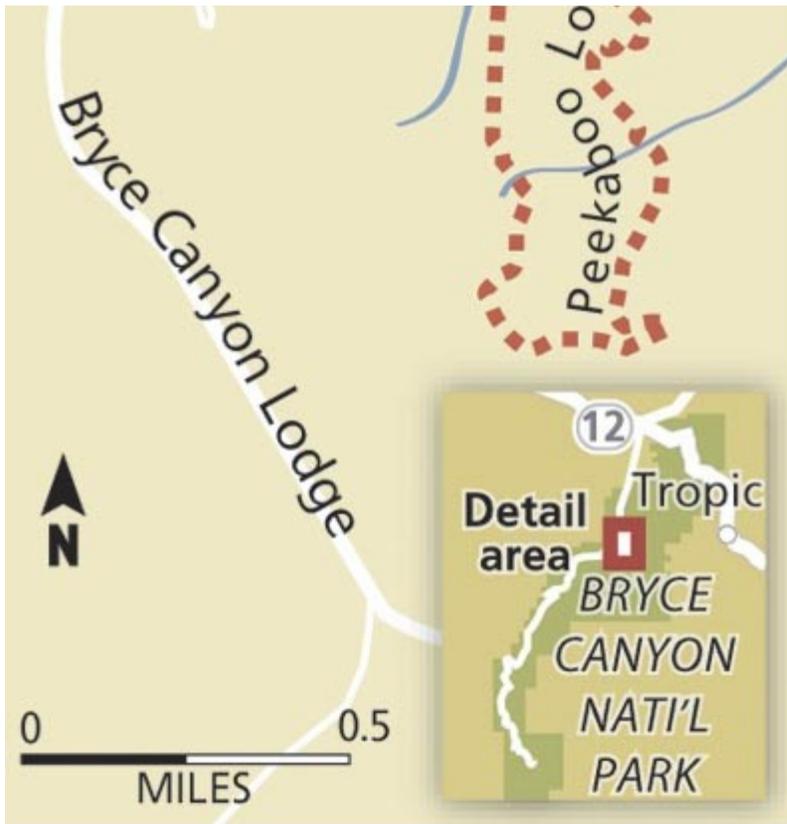


Hikers approach hoodoos on the Peekaboo Trail. (Jason Bergreen | The Salt Lake Tribune)

This hike is actually a combination of three trails that starts at the Navajo Loop Trail sign and winds through an unworldly terrain of pink, white and red rock cliffs, spires and hoodoos. The trail starts with a steep downhill section that switchbacks for nearly the first mile of the trek. The area is referred to as Wall Street. It is popular and always busy with tourists. At the bottom there are some large trees and shrubs and a gully. The crowds thin out here. Travel east across the gully to the sign for Peekaboo loop. Take left path and follow it back up and around to see some of the most impressive views of Utah's southeast desert. Along the twisting, hilly route, the trail travels through natural doorways in the rock and dances into several amphitheatres full of pinnacles. The dirt trail is well groomed and well marked. At mile 2.4, the trail heads up southwest to an area known as The Windows. They are two great holes high in the amphitheater wall. The Peekaboo loop meanders around until it returns to its starting point. From here, travel back over the wash and several hundred yards toward the end of Wall Street. Make a right and travel northeast through the spires of Queen's Garden. Finally, push your way back up the steepest part of the trek and into the parking lot above. Horses: Yes.



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Getting there: From the entrance to Bryce Canyon National Park, drive several miles to Sunset Point Parking lot area on the left.

-- Jason Bergreen/Amy Lewis

Region: Bryce Canyon

Destination: Loop

Distance: 5.5 miles

Time: 3.5 hours

Elevation Gain: 582 feet

Dog Allowed: N/A

Restrooms: Yes

Biking: N/A

Difficulty: 3

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