

Roundup Hike Descriptions

(ordered roughly from easiest to most difficult)

Lower Muddy Creek (4-5 hours/8 miles). An easy hike through the beautiful Muddy Creek Gorge, perfect for families, slower-paced hikers and dogs. Numerous stream crossings are involved so expect shoes to get wet. Stream flow varies from year to year but it is typically ankle to mid-calf deep.

Hike Leader: Wayne Hoskisson

Departure Time: TBD

Wayne's Wiggle/Hidden Splendor Overlook (3-5 hours/6+ miles). This moderate hike begins with a steep, rocky push followed by a short scramble through a narrow passageway to the mesa top. Hikers are then rewarded with magnificent views of Hidden Splendor and the Muddy Creek proposed wilderness. The hike may continue along the mesa top for as long as the group desires.

Hike Leader: Scott Braden

Departure Time: 9am

Chimney Canyon (5-6 hours/10 miles). A long, moderate hike with great views of the Swell's Kessel Country and a stop at the well-preserved Little Susan Mine site. **Note:** there are two exposed scrambles at the entrance to this canyon (one 8 feet, one 20 feet). A hand line may be set up to assist hikers if needed.

Hike Leader: Neal Clark

Departure Time: 9am

Mud Canyon (5-6 hours/9 miles). A long, moderately difficult hike through an intimate Moenkopi sandstone canyon with some scrambling over large chockstones. Pools may be present so wading shoes and plastic bags (for cameras, etc.) are recommended. Return trip includes roughly 2 miles of hiking along the Hidden Splendor road back to camp.

Hike Leader: Robin Kirker

Departure Time: 9am

Music Canyon (6-8 hours). A great introduction to technical canyoneering for those who seek a bit more adventure. This challenging hike involves a couple of short rappels and some tricky down-climbing (bring your own climbing harness if you have one). Hikers return to camp via Muddy Creek so shoes may get wet.

Hike Leader: Tom Jones

Departure Time: 8am

Other Activities:

Public Lands Day Service Project (4-5 hours plus travel time). In honor of National Public Lands Day, SUWA volunteers will assist the Price BLM with route reclamation, campsite inventories, and general clean-up in the Tomsich Butte area -- a one-hour scenic drive from Hidden Splendor. Please bring work gloves if you can.

Hike Leader: Ray Bloxham

Departure Time: 8am

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What is wilderness beyond a place to recreate? Explore the landscape of Hidden Splendor in a new way. Through art, exploration and discussion we will re-imagine wilderness and our place within it. Families with children welcome.