

Utah National Parks: Bryce & Zion



7 Days / 6 Nights | **Rating:** Intermediate/Avid | **Start / End:** St. George, UT

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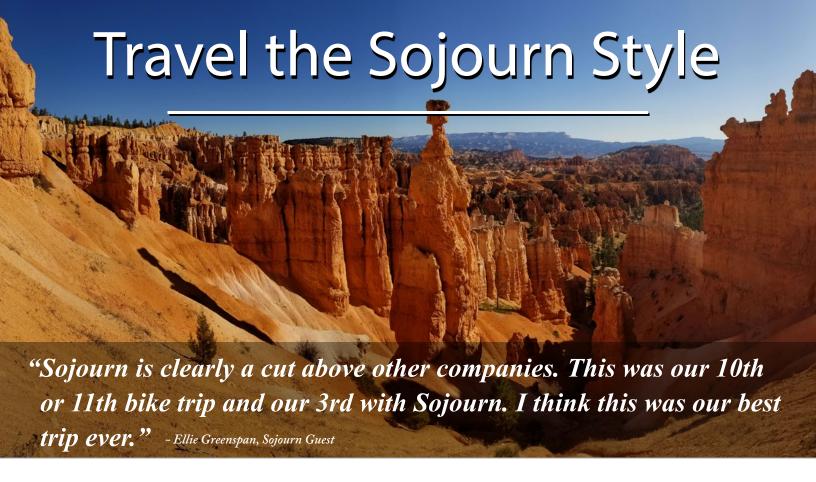
E-Bikes Available

Witness the awe-inspiring natural beauty of Southwest Utah. Bryce and Zion National Parks feature stunning rock formations, with colorful, rugged landscapes that are comprised of red rock canyons and sandstone cliffs that have been formed by millions of years weathering and erosion. Cycle the famous Red Canyon and Utah Route 12 Hogsback, two of the most scenic byways in all the United States. Hike the legendary Queen's Garden and Navajo Loop. Bryce and Zion are well known as some of the most extraordinary places on earth, each with its own distinct brand of endless natural beauty. Zion is known for its massive sandstone canyons, with shades of pink and red that reach right into the blue sky. The plant and wildlife here are abundant, with Douglas firs and ponderosa pines offering shade for bighorn sheep, mule deer, and foxes. Bryce Canyon is marked by vibrantly colored limestone, which accents the largest concentration of hoodoos and spires in the world, their towering figures forming the backdrop for the breathtaking routes and hiking trails found here. Spin through the Parks' epic canyons, grand rock formations and extended stretches of the most scenic riding in Southern Utah, marveling at how wind and water can produce such beautiful places. These geological wonders are highlighted by stunning rides to Rainbow Point and Snow Canyon State Park. The biggest challenge of visiting these national treasures becomes finding routes that can live up to the natural splendor that make these two of the best National Parks to cycle in.

BOOK THIS TRIP:







EXPERIENCES, NOT BIKE TOURS

While we love our cycling, it makes up only one facet of what a true Sojourn trip entails. We believe in immersing ourselves in local cultures and discovering the hidden gems of the world.

UNWAVERING ATTENTION TO SERVICE PROFE

Our commitment to provide you with unwavering service starts from the moment you first interact with the Sojourn team. We believe the little details matter and make the Sojourn vacation a life-list worthy experience for our guests.

REGIONAL PLANNING SPECIALISTS

From Vietnam to France to Glacier National Park, we are committed to offering exceptional trips in regions with which we are deeply familiar. We personally design and operate each of our trips.

PROFESSIONAL TRIP LEADERS

Gracious, engaging, and intelligent, our expert team of tour leaders consist of professionals from all walks of life and make exceptional travel companions. Always a step ahead, they are adept at everything from spinning wrenches to whipping up fabulous picnic lunches.

PREMIER ACCOMODATIONS

We carefully select from some of World's renowned hotels. From highly reviewed and acclaimed Maria Cristina in San Sebastian, Spain or the Reverie Saigon, Vietnam, one of the leading hotels in the World.

YOUR VACATION, YOUR PACE

We believe that at the end of the day, you are at the helm of your own vacation. We offer an array of day-to-day options to enable you to approach each day at your own pace.

BOOK THIS TRIP
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Day 1



Gunlock Reservoir to Snow Canyon State Park - After our pick-up in St. George, we'll have a short shuttle to the Gunlock Reservoir where we'll start the ride. Today's warm-up ride takes us to Snow Canyon State Park, featuring a spectacular canyon carved from red and white Navajo sandstone. Here we'll have a light lunch with the option for a short hike before ending the day at the Red Mountain Resort, just outside of the park. A welcome reception and dinner will be held at the hotel's Canyon Breeze Restaurant, which offers spectacular views of the canyons, an outdoor patio, and an indoor double-sided fireplace.

GOOD TO KNOW

Every Sojourn trip is different in their own unique ways. We want you to be aware of them so that you can only have the best experiences possible. Please know, whichever trip you choose we are committed to make it the trip of a lifetime!

KEEPING YOU POSTED

We're constantly looking for ways to enhance our trips. We'll do our best to notify you of any changes in this itinerary. Other changes may be communicated to you on the trip by your leaders.

LODGING:
Red Mountain Resort, Ivins, UT
877-246-4453 www.redmountainresort.com

CYCLING OPTIONS: 21 Miles



Cedar Breaks National Monument to Boulder, UT - We leave the hotel this morning via shuttle on our way to Cedar Breaks National Monument at 10,500 feet. From there, we'll lose a total of nearly 4,000 feet of elevation to our lunch stop at the Cowboy's Smokehouse Restaurant in Panguitch, a classic Texas-style BBQ joint known for its Mesquite-smoked meats. After a delicious lunch, you'll have the opportunity for more scenic rural riding to our destination in Boulder. Settle into the Boulder Mountain Lodge and prepare for dinner at one of Utah's most acclaimed restaurants, Hell's Backbone Grill & Farm. This James Beard Award seminfinalist grows most of its produce on its own and features dishes comprised of a blend of Western Range and Southwestern flavors.

LODGING:

Boulder Mountain Lodge, Boulder, UT 435-335-7460 www.boulder-utah.com **CYCLING OPTIONS:**

36 Miles

48 Miles

57 Miles

69 Miles

Day 3



Boulder to Bryce Canyon Lodge - Our route out of Boulder takes us along Utah Scenic Highway 12's Hogsback, one of the most scenic byways in Utah and possibly all the US. The road travels along a spine of higher ground with majestic scenery stretching off in all directions and will likely be a highlight of the trip for most riders. Pull off at a scenic stop along the way and savor a picnic lunch prepared by your leaders at Escalante Petrified Forest State Park, which features displays of plant and marine fossils, petrified wood and fossilized dinosaur bones that are over 150 million years old. Take some time to relax after this epic ride and enjoy dinner on your own in Bryce Canyon.

LODGING:

Bryce Canyon Grand Hotel, Bryce Canyon, UT 435-834-5700 www.brycecanyongrand.com

25 Miles

30 Miles

63 Miles





Bryce Canyon National Park - Today is our designated day to explore all that Bryce Canyon has to offer. Join your leaders for our favorite and suggested day's itinerary in the park: A hike on the Queensway and Navajo Loop, followed by lunch at the Bryce Canyon Lodge. From there we'll shuttle up to Rainbow Point and ride the 20 miles downhill to the lodge. Alternatively you can plan your own adventure in the park, using the park's convenient shuttle bus system and/or your bike. Tonight, we gather for a delicious group dinner at the Bryce Canyon Grand Hotel.

LODGING:

Bryce Canyon Grand Hotel, Bryce Canyon, UT 435-834-5700 <u>www.brycecanyongrand.com</u> **CYCLING OPTIONS:** 20 Miles

Day 5



Bryce Canyon to Zion National Park - After breakfast at the Lodge, we'll depart from Bryce en route to Zion National Park and the town of Springdale. The morning ride will take us through stretches of red rocks to our unique lunch stop soon after Hatch. Lunch will be at Whispering Pines Glamping, a peaceful oasis featuring covered wagons nestled in a grove of ponderosa pines. After lunch, there's a short climb that takes us into Zion National Park from the less-visited east entrance. The rock formations will mesmerize as you make your way to the Zion tunnel and the final stretch of downhill into the town of Springdale. Dinner will be on your own tonight at one of the fine restaurants found in Springdale.

LODGING:

Cliffrose Springdale, Springdale, UT 435-772-3234 www.hilton.com

CYCLING OPTIONS:

40 Miles

48 Miles

60 Miles





Zion National Park - Today is yours to explore Zion National Park. There are a myriad of hikes throughout the park catering to different desires and abilities. Your leaders will help you with suggestions of some of their favorites based on the duration and level of difficulty you want. There are many possibilities, including the Emerald Pools, Narrows, and Angel's Landing, and all the trails can be accessed by the Park's shuttle service that leaves right from our hotel. This evening we'll reconvene for our farewell dinner to share our favorite experiences of the week.

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Day 7 -



Zion National Park Ride - This morning we'll start the day with a prebreakfast ride through Zion NP. While most visitors walk or utilize the shuttle, riding through the Park with no cars is a great way to see the valley and a fitting way to end the trip. After the ride, we'll return to the hotel for brunch and time to clean up before our return shuttle to St. George.



CYCLING OPTIONS: 18 Miles



MULTIPLE ROUTE OPTIONS

Itching for that **EPIC** (Extra Pedal if Crazy) ride? No problem, we'll show you our favorite hills. Looking for more downtime? Your trip leaders will tell you the best days to take a break. All Sojourn tours have multiple route options to accommodate your riding skill or desires!





Tour Accommodations



Red Mountain Resort, Ivins

Located a quarter mile from Snow Canyon State Park, this renowned Utah resort blends naturally into a landscape of vivid red rock cliffs and canyons. (1 night)

1275 E. Red Mountain Circle Ivins, UT 84738 www.redmountainresort.com | 877.246.4453

Bryce Canyon Grand Hotel, Bryce Canyon

This hotel, located next to Bryce National Park and some of Utah's most scenic and natural wonders, features exercise facilities, an enclosed courtyard, pool, whirlpool, and patio areas. (2 nights)

30 N 100 E Bryce Canyon, UT 84764 www.brycecanyongrand.com | 435.834.5700



Red Mountain Resort

Boulder Mountain Lodge, Boulder

This comfortable and luxurious oasis is in the middle of Utah's scenic red rock canyon country and mountain forests. The lodge is the perfect base for exploring Bryce Canyon National Park and the other national and state parks in the area. (1 night)

20 N. Highway 12 Boulder, UT 84716 boulder-utah.com | 435.335.7460

Cliffrose Springdale, Springdale

This top-rated Zion National Park lodging is nestled within the majestic cliffs of Zion, besides the Virgin River. The inn is steps away from local dining and a mere half-mile away from Zion National Park Visitor Center. (2 nights)

281 Zion Park Blvd Springdale, UT 84767 www.hilton.com | 435.772.3234



Bryce Canyon Grand Hotel



TOUR START	9:30 AM Group pickup at St. George Regional Airport (SGU) or 9:45 AM at the Staybridge Suites St. George or the Fairfield Inn St. George.
TOUR CONCLUSION	12:30 PM St. George Regional Airport (SGU) or 12:45 PM at the Staybridge Suites St. George or the Fairfield Inn St. George. Earliest departure not recommended before 2:30PM.
TRAVEL TO/FROM TOUR	Fly into St. George Regional Airport (SGU) or fly into Las Vegas (LAS) and shuttle to St. George.
DAYS/NIGHTS	7 Days/6 Nights
INCLUDED MEALS	All breakfasts, four lunches, four dinners.
ACTIVITIES	Cycling, hiking.

Dates & Pricing



HERE are the Departure Dates and Pricing Details.





What's Included?

EQUIPMENT	Road or hybrid bike, helmet, rear light, seat bag for road bike or rack bag for hybrid, map case, water bottle, and jersey. Bring clipless pedals, seat, or helmet for a more personalized fit.
VAN SUPPORT	Rides supported by a Sojourn van as well as a tour leader on a bicycle.
TOUR LEADERS	Two experienced tour leaders guide each trip from start to finish.
RIDE NOURISHMENT	A selection of snacks and refreshments are supplied throughout all rides.
RIDE INFORMATION	Detailed route directions, maps, and a daily briefing are provided.
OFFICE SUPPORT	At your service 9:00am – 6:00pm EST, Monday – Friday. 802-425-4771
DETAILED INFORMATION	A full complement of detailed trip and travel information will be provided upon confirmation of reservation.
E-BIKES & TANDEMS	Electric Assist Bikes are available on all tours where permitted (conditions apply). Tandems are also available on on our US and Canada tours for an additional fee. Call us at 1-802-425-4771 for details.

Weather

St. George, UT

Average	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
High °F	87°	98°	102°	100°	92°	79°
Low °F	60°	69°	76°	73°	65°	53°
Precip. Inches	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.7	0.5	0.7

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