TAKE YOUR

ACTIVITY CHEAT SHEET BRYCE CANYON AREA

HIKING

For maps and other ideas, please visit the Bryce Canyon Visitor's Center. brycecanyoncountry.com/things-to-do/area-activities/hiking/

Rim Trail | BCNP | The most popular trail within Bryce Canyon. A 4.7-mile hike leading to beautiful viewpoints including Sunset Point, Sunrise Point, Bryce Point and Inspiration Point. This is a fairly easy option.

Navajo Loop Trail | BCNP | This is a more strenuous 1.3-mile loop ascending 521 feet from the floor of the amphitheater. The trail winds through a section called Wall Street, where you can walk through a narrow collection of unique hoodoos.

Fairyland Loop | BCNP | A strenuous 8.2-mile trail with particularly beautiful views at the Fairyland Point overlook that runs through the remarkable hoodoos, including the China Wall.

MOUNTAIN BIKING

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Red Canyon/Bryce Canyon Multi-Use Path | The new, 15-mile paved trail that extends from Red Canyon to Inspiration Point in Bryce Canyon. This trail can be biked from beginning to end or in sections along the way. The path is ADA accessible.

Thunder Mountain Trail | A longer, 7.8-mile trail running through both pine forests and red rock country. Best for more experienced bikers.

Cassidy Trail | An 8.9-mile trail in Red Canyon through impressive red rock scenery and ponderosa pines.

PHOTOGRAPHY

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Sunset Point & Inspiration Point | BCNP | Stunning views overlooking Bryce Canyon. Best early in the morning and late evenings.

The Navajo Loop Trail | BCNP | Unique hoodoo formations.

Bryce Point and Sunrise Point | BCNP | Sweeping views over Bryce Amphitheater.

Red Canyon | BCNP | Red rock hoodoos are surrounded by the lush greenery of Dixie National Forest.

STARGAZING

nps.gov/brca/planyourvisit/astronomyprograms.htm

Night Sky Programs | BCNP | May through October, the National Park Service offers night sky programs with fun, educational shows from astronomy rangers, which are followed by stargazing with telescopes.

Astronomy Festival | BCNP | Each summer, Bryce Canyon hosts a four-day astronomy festival featuring famous astronomy guest speakers, planet walks, planisphere workshops and green laser constellation tours.

ATV/UTV RIDING

The Dixie National Forest has many incredible trails through red rock scenery and beautiful views. brycecanyoncountry.com/things-to-do/area-activities/atv-ohv-riding/

Badger Creek Loop | A 20-mile trail through many high mountain meadows and thick forests. This trail takes about three hours and is best for intermediate ATV/UTV riders.

Bull Rush Loop | A scenic trail through thick forests and hills, this 36-mile trail is best for more advanced riders.

Casto Canyon Ride | This intermediate trail starts in downtown Panguitch and provides beautiful country views. This 36-mile ride will take about five hours.

Powell Point | A 20-mile trip by Pine Lake with majestic views, best for intermediate riders.

Pass Creek | A great trail for beginners, this 27-mile trip to Panguitch Lake has many scenic viewpoints along the way.

For a full list of great trails and maps, visit the website or call toll free 1-800-444-6689 or 435-676-1160.

SCENIC DRIVES

brycecanyoncountry.com/things-to-do/scenic-byways/

Scenic Byway 12 Also known as an All American Road, this drive spans more than 120 miles through diverse and ruggedly beautiful landscapes. This road runs through Red Canyon providing beautiful views and picture-perfect opportunities.

Scenic Byway 143 This drive is a 55-mile course between Panguitch and Parowan, Utah. It is also called Utah's Patchwork Parkway, describing the historical story of pioneers walking on quilts as they crossed to Parowan.

Scenic Highway 89 | Scenic Highway 89 is part of the Utah Heritage Highway 89. The road passes through the western section of the area and connects travelers from Zion National Park to the north rim of the Grand Canyon.

SCENIC BACKWAYS

Be sure to check at the visitor's center for road conditions, especially during bad weather. brycecanyoncountry.com/things-to-do/scenic-byways/

Cottonwood Canyon Road Scenic Backway | This trip features Kodachrome Basin State Park, Grosvenor Arch, the Paria River, views of Bryce Canyon National Park and more picturesque locations.

East Fork of the Sevier Scenic Backway | A 17-mile trip for incredible wildlife viewing opportunities. Features East Fork of the Sevier, Tropic Reservoir, Dixie National Forest and more.

BCNP = Located inside Bryce Canyon National Park. Park entrance fee is necessary.

WHAT DOES "TAKE YOUR TIME" MEAN?

We ask our visitors to "Take Your Time" so they don't rush through their trip, or miss out on the many experiences available in Bryce Canyon Country. We want to encourage our visitors to book enough time to see everything there is to do in Garfield County.

Where we live and work has everything from outdoor adventure to true western experiences, and visitors can take part in all of it if they just take their time and really enjoy everything there is to do here.

WHAT ARE SOME KID-FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES THAT WE CAN DO?

Hiking in Bryce Canyon | Bryce Canyon National Park has plenty of kid-friendly hiking trails and camping sites for the whole family to enjoy.

Red Canyon | Use the Red Canyon and Bryce Canyon multi-use pathway on bike or on foot. Stop at the Red Canyon Visitor Center and enjoy the exhibits or walk to the kid-friendly Bird's Eye and Pink Ledges trail.

Night Sky Programs | From May through October, kids will love the Night Sky Programs in the park where Astronomy Rangers put on educational and entertaining programs followed by stargazing with telescopes. Stop at the Bryce Canyon Visitor center to schedule your program and learn how to get there.

Panguitch/Panguitch Lake | Take a drive on Scenic Byway 143— also known as Utah's Patchwork Parkway. Drive through historic Panguitch and view some of the old red brick pioneer homes. Along the byway, stop at Panguitch Lake where boat rentals and horseback rides are available.

Kodachrome Basin State Park | The park offers fun hiking trails that kids really enjoy. You will also find a picnic area, restrooms and sandstone features in fantastic shapes.

Utah GeoTour | Garfield County has five hidden Geocahes within Garfield County. If you find the five caches, follow the instructions in the geocache to receive a county patch. *For more information, visit www.geocaching.com/play/geotours/visit-utah*

WHERE CAN WE GO TO GET THE BEST VIEW OF BRYCE CANYON NATIONAL PARK?

Sunset Point | Visit in the early morning or late evening for an overlook of the park.

Sunrise Point | Best photographed in the early morning to watch the sunrise wash over Bryce Amphitheater.

Navajo Loop Trail | This hiking trail offers great opportunities to see the unique hoodoo formations up close.

Rainbow Point | Along the southern end of Bryce Canyon, Rainbow Point is a 17-mile drive to one of the highest points, offering a stunning view of the vast park. You can see for miles along the east rim of the Paunsugunt Plateau where the pink cliffs and hoodoos light up all day long.

More information about scenic locations: brycecanyoncountry.com/things-to-do/area-activities/photography/

IS THE BRYCE CANYON SHUTTLE OPTIONAL?

The shuttle is optional, however it is convenient and free with your paid admission to the park. It runs about every 15 minutes. As an added bonus, guests who take the shuttle don't have to worry about finding a parking spot at often congested parking lots. The Rainbow Point shuttle goes out twice a day; reservations are recommended and can be made at the shuttle ticket office.

WHAT DOES THE PARK DO WITH MY ENTRANCE FEE?

Money collected from entrance fees are used to complete projects such has road enhancements, improved accessibility for the physically challenged, campground upgrades, rehabilitation of structures and general repair. These funds directly impact the visitor experience within the park.

CAN I TAKE MY PETS WITH ME ON HIKES AND INTO PARKS?

Within Bryce Canyon National Park, pets are permitted only on all paved surfaces: campgrounds, parking lots, paved viewpoint areas, etc. Pets must be on a leash and cannot be left unattended or tied to an object.

Pets are allowed on the trails in Red Canyon and Dixie National Forest, as well as in the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. If you have any further questions about pet regulations, please visit the nearest visitor center for additional information.

In Panguitch, there is a kennel for a safe and comfortable option for you to leave your pet.

More information can be found here: http://www.brycecanyoncountry.com/ things-to-do/tours-and-rentals/kennels

WHAT IS THE MOST SCENIC DRIVE IN THE AREA?

Scenic Byway 12 All-American Road | Scenic Byway 12 is always rated among the 10 most beautiful drives in America. Don't miss it. To make the most of your tour, plan your trip to include activities like a picnic lunch or a stop in one or two of the small towns along the way. Go to scenicbyway12.com to download the Route Guide or pick up the printed guide at any visitor center in the area.

Scenic Byway 143 | Also known as Utah's Patchwork Parkway, this drive is a 55-mile course between Panguitch and Parowan.

More info about scenic drives: brycecanyoncountry.com/things-to-do/ scenic-byways/

CAN I SIGN UP FOR ANY TOURS?

A variety of tours are offered within the area including ATV/UTV, hiking, aerial, canyoneering, fishing and horseback riding tours. A full list of guides and outfitters can be found online or in the Bryce Canyon Country Travel Guide.

For information about guides and outfitters available for tours in this area brycecanyoncountry.com/things-to-do/tours-and-rentals/

Never answer "I don't know" when a guest inquires about available activities. Respond by saying, **"Let me find out,"** and use the resources provided in this toolkit as a reference to answer questions, suggest ideas and inform guests.

You can also refer guests to the appropriate visitor center for more specific details about a particular attraction.