

visit

Arches national Park

Est. 1929

38.7331° N, 109.5925° W

119.8 mi²

Arches National Park in Moab offers the largest density of natural sandstone arches in the world. Visitors can enjoy biking, camping, rock climbing, and hiking.

Positioned in a "high desert" with elevations ranging from 4,085 to 5,653 feet above sea level in southeast Utah, Arches National Park contains over 2,000 natural sandstone arches! Throughout the park, rock layers reveal millions of years of deposition, erosion, and other geologic events. A great destination for families, the astounding views will delight adventurers of all ages.

Hikers at Arches National Park can take advantage of a wide variety of trails.

Some hikes in Arches take only a couple hours to complete, while others are longer half-day hikes for the intermediate and advanced hiker. For those who prefer to tour by car, there are many scenic driving routes for viewing some of the park's largest arches, including a drive to one of the most iconic rock formations in the world, the Delicate Arch Viewpoint.

WEATHER AT ARCHES NATIONAL PARK

The climate in Arches can be intense, with hot summers, cold winters and very little rainfall. The plants and animals in this park have many adaptations that enable them to survive these conditions and some species are can only be found in this area. Even on a daily basis, temperatures may fluctuate as much as 50 degrees. It's important to plan for the season and check local weather conditions and forecasts before you visit.

TOURS AND CAMPING

For lodging in Arches, camping is a popular option. There are 50 campground sites located within Arches National Park. The Devils Garden Campground is located 18 miles from the park entrance and is open year-round. Facilities include potable water, picnic tables, grills, and flushing toilets. Some sites will accommodate RVs up to 30 feet in length. An Arches National Park map, available at the park entrance, will provide you with important information such as where to find picnic areas, drinking water, restrooms, and visitor centers.

WILDLIFE IN THE PARK

At first glance, Arches National Park wildlife may seem scarce, but upon further examination, you will discover that wildlife is abundant here. Birds, lizards, and some rodents are the most frequently seen wildlife at Arches. The weather and seasons play a big role in determining what animals are active. Desert animals have a variety of adaptations for dealing with the climate. Most animals are nocturnal, only coming out at night. These include kangaroo rats, foxes, mountain lions, bats and owls. Other animals are most active at dawn or dusk since these times are cooler than mid-day. These animals include mule deer, coyotes, and black-tailed jackrabbits. A few animals are primarily active during the day, including rock squirrels, chipmunks, lizards, snakes, and eagle

Arches National Park offers a variety of activities including:
Hiking, sightseeing, camping, mounting biking, horseback riding

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