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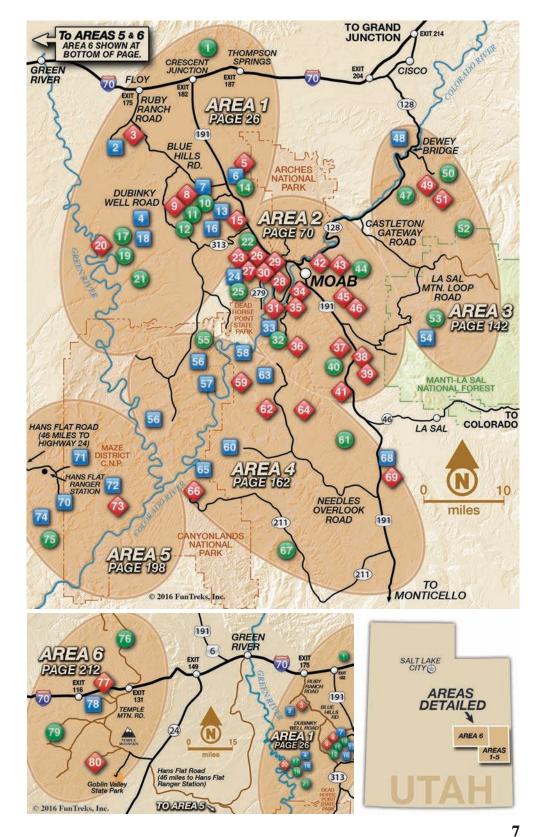
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# TRAIL RATINGS DEFINED

Trail ratings are very subjective. Conditions change for many reasons, including weather and time of year. An easy trail can quickly become difficult when washed out by a rainstorm or blocked by a fallen rock. You must be the final judge of a trail's condition on the day you drive it. If any part of a trail is difficult, the entire trail is rated difficult. You may be able to drive a significant portion of a trail before reaching the difficult spot. Read each trail description carefully for specific information.





### Easy

Gravel, dirt, clay, sand, or mildly rocky road. Gentle grades. Water levels low except during periods of heavy runoff. Full-width single lane or wider with adequate

room to pass most of the time. Where shelf conditions exist, road is wide with minor sideways tilt. Clay roads, when wet, can significantly increase difficulty. Some trails can be driven in 2WD under ideal conditions. Others will need 4WD and, in some cases, low-range gearing.

#### FunTreks Vehicles: (See photos)

A. 2015 Jeep® Cherokee Trailhawk: Standard rear locker. Handheld CB radio.

B. 2012 Jeep® Wrangler 4-Dr. Rubicon:
Standard equipment includes lockers F&R and quick-disconnect sway bar. Stock 32" tires.
Added CB radio and front steel bumper with brackets to tow behind motorhome.

C. 2012 Jeep® Wrangler 2-Dr. Rubicon: Standard equipment includes lockers F&R and quick-disconnect sway bar. Added 35" MT tires, 3" lift, steel bumpers, winch & CB radio.

**D. 2014 Polaris RZR 800S:** Stock, added CB radio and winch. (See photo page 224.)

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### **Moderate**

Rutted dirt or rocky road. Careful tire placement may be necessary. Some grades are fairly steep but manageable if dry. Soft sand possible. Sideways tilt will

require caution. Narrow shelf roads possible. Backing may be necessary to pass. Water depths passable for stock high-clearance vehicles except during periods of heavy runoff. Mud holes may be present especially in the spring. Undercarriage may scrape occasionally depending on ground clearance. Rock-stacking may be necessary in some cases. Brush may touch vehicle. Four-wheel drive, low range, and higher ground clearance required in most cases. Standard factory skid plates and tow hooks recommended on many trails.



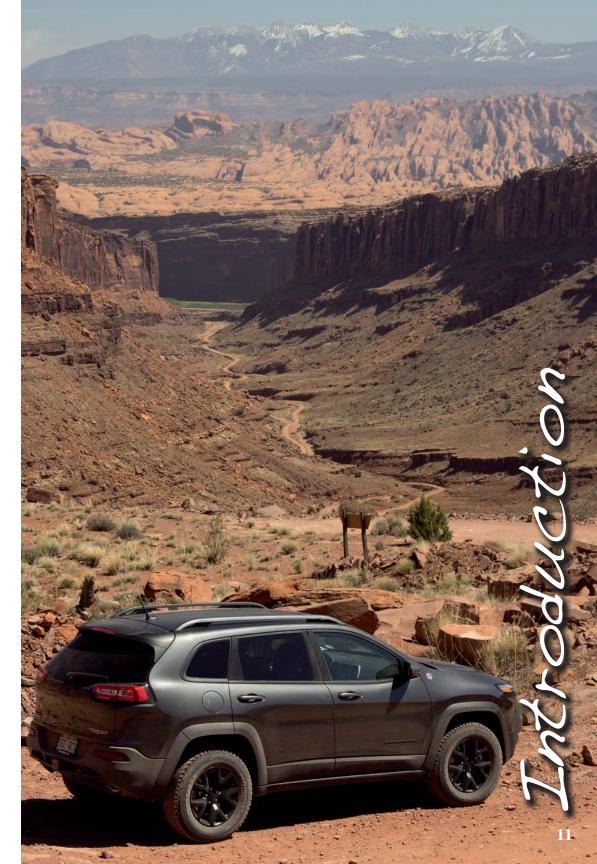


### Difficult\*

Grades can be very steep with severe ground undulation and large boulders. Sideways tilt can be extreme. Sand hills very steep with soft

downslopes. Deep water crossings possible. Shelf roads extremely narrow; use caution in full-size vehicle. Passing may be difficult with backing required for long distances. Brush may scratch sides of vehicle. Body damage possible. Some trails suitable for more aggressive stock vehicles but most trails require vehicle modification. Lifts, differential lockers, aggressive articulation, and/or winches recommended in many cases. Skid plates and tow hooks required.

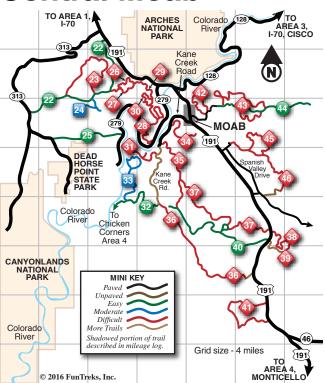
\* Three trails in this book, Pritchett Canyon, Rusty Nail and Area BFE are considered EXTREME. These trails require more serious modifications and larger tires. FunTreks vehicles were not driven on these trails.





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# **Central Moab**



The number of world-class 4-wheel-drive trails in Area 2 surrounding Moab is truly astonishing. You're less than 10 minutes from Hell's Revenge, Fins & Things, Moab Rim, Cliff Hanger, Steel Bender, and Pritchett Canyon. Just a little farther is Poison Spider, Golden Spike, Metal Masher and Kane Creek Canyon. That still leaves 15 trails that, by themselves, would be the envy of any East Coast mega OHV park.

You'll also notice that the majority of trails in Area 2 are difficult, in some cases really difficult! That's great news for hard-core enthusiasts, but what about owners of stock SUVs? Never fear...there are still seven gorgeous cruiser trails perfect for family outings.

UTV owners can also rejoice. At

first we thought many of these trails were too tough for smaller-tired UTVs. But we've had our eyes opened by seeing these vehicles in action and driving our own. They have a knack for getting up and over the most challenging obstacles and making it look easy most of the time.

Four new trails have been added to Area 2 in this third edition: Rusty Nail, #27; Where Eagles Dare, #30; Jackson Hole, #33; and Area BFE, #39. Two of these, Rusty Nail and Area BFE, we consider too difficult for FunTreks' most capable vehicle, our 2-door modified Rubicon. For these two trails and Pritchett Canyon, we rode with members of Moab's local 4x4 club, Moab Friends for Wheeling.









ou stop to take pictures along the shelf road, make sure you find a wide spot to pull over.





**Historical Highlight:** At least two people have fallen o their deaths attempting to jump the 6 to 10 ft. gap between the two arches. In 1999 a 19-year-old lost his life when he fell 160 feet in his Jeep as he tried to drive across the outer span. You can no longer drive lown to the arches. Source: Climb-Utah.com.

Overview: One of the most popular mountain bike and 4-wheel-drive trips in Moab. Lots of traffic on weekends. Drive slow to minimize dust, especially passing bikers. Stunning views as you cross a high winding shelf road after one mile. Short hike to bridges. The bridges are not apparent until you get close and look down. Camp only in designated sites. You must carry and use a portable toilet if camping. To view bridges from the bottom, see Bull Canyon, Trail #24.

**Rating:** Easy. Minor embedded rock and possible washouts after storms.

Suitable for most moderate clearance SUVs. Possible large new roads for drilling activity may be confusing.

Stats: Length: 13.1 miles as described. Time: 2 hours. High point: 6,041 ft. Best time: March through November.

**Current Conditions:** BLM Moab Field Office, 82 E. Dogwood, 435-259-2100.

**Getting There:** From Center Street in Moab, drive north 9.8 miles on Hwy. 191 and turn left into Gemini Bridges parking lot. Parking lot is 1.2 miles before you reach Highway 313.

#### START MILEAGE LOG:

- 0.0 Zero trip odometer [Rev. Miles] Head west from parking lot across R.R. tracks and follow road south. [13.1] 01 N38 39.372 W109 40.626
- **0.9** Follow road right. 2.0 Move carefully along high, often busy, shelf road.
- Watch for bikers. [11.1] 2.3 Stay right. [10.8]
- 4.0 Continue straight. Left goes to great designated camping and arch. 02 N38 36.671 W109 40.340
- 4.2 Go past distinctive Gooney Bird Rock.
- 4.8 Bear right uphill. (Left goes to difficult Gold Bar Rim, Trail #26.) 03 N38 36.000 W109 40.413
- **5.2** Stay right. (Left goes to camp spots.)
- **5.3** Stay right at major fork. (Left goes to Bull Canyon, Trail #24. This trail takes you to a hiking trail to the bottom of Gemini Bridges.) [7.8] 04 N38 35.804 W109 40.869
- **5.4** Stay left past lesser road on right.
- 6.1 Continue straight. (Right goes to Metal Masher, Trail #23.)
- 7.2 Great Escape Biking Trail crosses.
- 7.3 Bear left. (Straight bypasses parking area for Gemini Bridges.) 05 N38 35.270 W109 42.399

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- 7.5 Park here and follow hiking trail downhill to Gemini Bridges. When done, head north and reconnect to Gemini Bridges Road.
- 7.6 Bear left to reach Hwy. 313. (Right returns to Waypoint 05.)
- 7.9 Pullover on left for biking
- **8.5** Bear right. (Left goes to Four Arches Canyon, a fun side trip.)
- **9.1** Large staging area on right. Then stay left as roads join on right from Trail #23.
- **9.4** Continue straight (west) on well defined road.

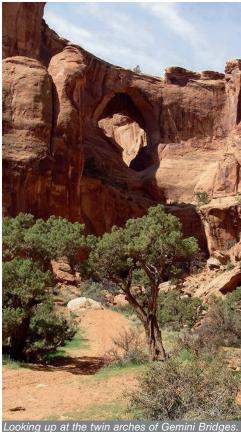
- (Road that joins on right is one of several ways to exit Trail #23.) 06 N38 35.671 W109 44.364
- 11.8 Stay left on main rd. [1.3]
- **13.1** Highway 313. 07 N38 34.392 W109 47.544 Right returns to Highway 191 just north of where you started. Left goes to Canyonlands N.P., Dead Horse Point State Park and Long Canvon. Trail #25. This is a fun, easy alternate way to return to Moab via Highways 279 and 191.

Trail updates & GPS downloads



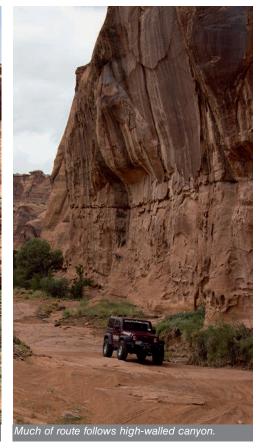


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*Overview:* This short but fun trail winds through a scenic high-walled canyon as it meanders back and forth along a sandy wash bottom. It features a short hiking trail to the bottom of amazing Gemini Bridges (no longer open to motorized). You can continue riding west into the canyon but the road eventually narrows to a point where it is difficult to turn around. This part is fun for ATVs and UTVs.

**Rating:** Moderate. Generally this route is fairly easy, but heavy rains can sometimes cause problems in the wash bottom. Usually suitable for most stock, high-clearance, 4-wheel-drive SUVs.



*Stats:* Length: The parking area for Gemini Bridges Hiking Trail is just 3.1 miles from start. You can continue another mile or so west before it gets too narrow. Day Canyon is just 0.4 mile. Time: If you hike to the arches and drive to Day Canyon, allow about 3 hours. High point: 5,163 ft. Best time: March through November.

Current Conditions: BLM Moab Field Office, 82 E. Dogwood, 435-259-2100.

**Getting There:** Follow directions for Gemini Bridges, Trail #22. After 5.3 miles, bear left at sign for Bull Canyon Road.

#### START MILEAGE LOG:

- 0.0 Zero trip odometer [Rev. Miles] **BULL CANYON** Bear left and head south following sign for Bull Canyon Road. 01 N38 35.800 W109 40.870
- 1.1 Great Escape Biking Trail crosses.
- 1.2 Stay right on better traveled road. (Left is Little Canyon Bike Trail. It connects to Gold Bar Rim, Trail #26.) When you're on Gold Bar Rim, watch for a sign for Little Canyon on the right.) 02 N38 34.930 W109 40.900
- 1.5 Turn right downhill on narrower, rougher road. It

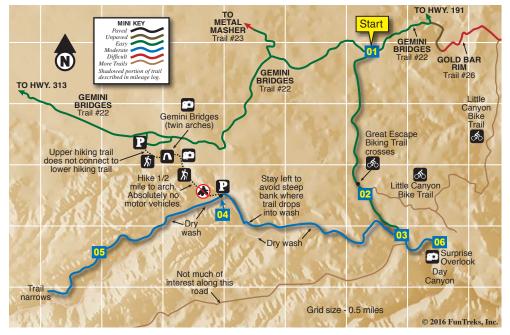
- passes through a narrow section and then opens up along a wash. 03 N38 34.690 W109 40.660
- 2.8 Stay left when road splits to avoid a steep bank that drops into wash. Left is less steep. [1.3]
- 3.1 Parking area on right for hiking trail to bottom of Gemini Bridges. Easy 1/2 mile hike. No motor vehicles. [1.0] 04 N38 34.915 W109 42.022 To continue farther into Bull Canyon, stay left. The trail narrows and is less traveled.
- **4.1** Trail forks. We went right a little farther before trail ended. Left goes farther

but it gets so narrow, it's even difficult for an ATV to turn around.

05 N38 34.560 W109 42.930 Return to Waypoint 03.

#### **DAY CANYON**

- Q.O Zero trip odometer at Wpt. 03. Coming from Bull Canvon turn right and head south. Road follows sandy wash bottom.
- 0.1 Stay left. Not much to see on long road to right but it is a fun ride for ATVs. [0.3]
- 0.4 Trail ends at Surprise Overlook with cliff-edge view of Day Canyon. [0.0] 06 N38 34.620 W109 40.370











Rusty Nail, Trail #27, departs from Gold Bar Rim.

Minimum vehicle modifications should

*Overview:* Many people just think of this trail as the exit route for Golden Spike, but Gold Bar Rim is really a memorable 4x4 trail by itself. The route is completely different going up than coming down and short enough to do both ways in a half day. Around every turn there's a surprising view and the final overlook is dizzying. Fun for UTVs but extremely difficult for ATVs.

Rating: Difficult. Several very large ledges, including the monumental Waterfall. Oddly, you go down this obstacle driving up the trail and up it when you come back down. If you don't have a winch, make sure you have a friend who can throw you a strap.

Minimum vehicle modifications should include 3" lift, 33" tires and a rear locker. Not for stock SUVs.

Stats: Length: One way is just 3.6 miles. Time: 1 to 1½ hours each way with capable vehicle. Add time to drive first part of Gemini Bridges Road. High point: 5,420 ft. at the overlook. Best time: March through November.

*Current Conditions:* BLM Moab Field Office, 82 E. Dogwood, 435-259-2100.

Getting There: Follow directions for Gemini Bridges, Trail #22. After 4.8 miles, just before you turn right uphill, bear left at sign for Gold Bar Rim.

#### START MILEAGE LOG:

- Zero trip odometer [Rev. Miles]
   Follow sandy, twisting road east then south. [3.6]
   N38 36.008 W109 40.409
- Wide spot before rocky hill is good place to air down. Continue uphill to left following white dashes and black tire marks. [3.1]
  N38 35.833 W109 40.228
- 1.0 Turn left at "T" intersection as you head toward distinctive Monticello Rock. (Right is Little Canyon Bike Trail.) [2.6]

  N38 35.873 W109 39.752
- Nail, Trail #27, goes right here. Watch for bikers in special bike lanes. [2.1]
- 2.3 Drop down steep black wall called the "Waterfall."
  Think about whether you can get back up on return trip. You may need to winch.

  [1.3]

  N38 36.426 W109 39.183
- 2.6 Cross large crack in slickrock. It's a miniature version of the Golden Crack on Trail #29. [1.0]

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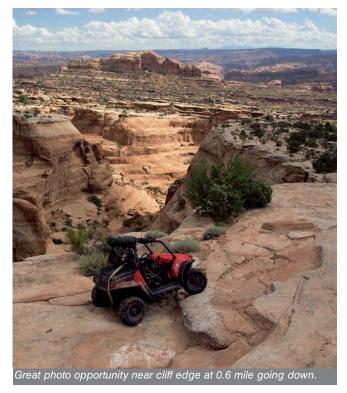
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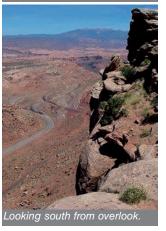
  Frail #2
- 3.0 Trail skirts cliff edge.
  (Great photo when shot from above atop large rock on left.) [0.6]
- 3.2 Trail turns slightly right as it passes large mush-room-shaped rock on left. Just ahead you'll climb some big ledges. [0.4]

  05 N38 36.720 W109 38.820
- 3.6 Ledge on right begins Golden Spike, Trail #29. Marked with white spray paint. Gold Bar continues

straight uphill and ends at a turnaround. Short walk from there to cliff edge with fantastic view. [0.0] N38 36.849 W109 38.536 Return the way you came, or continue on to Golden Spike. Note that most people drive Golden Spike in the opposite direction from south to north, although either way is allowed.





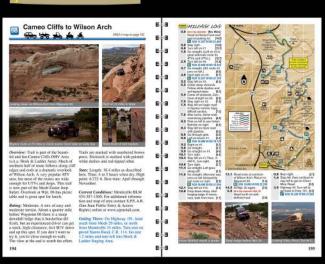






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list on pages 6 and 7.

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