



Popular Birding Places

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Devil Canyon Campground

Directions: Go south of Monticello on US 191 about 12 miles (north of Blanding about 10 miles) and turn west at the sign for Devil Canyon Campground. The campground is very close to the turnoff.

Specialty Birds: Acorn Woodpecker, Pygmy Nuthatch, Grace's Warbler, Western Bluebird, Wild Turkey

Elk Ridge Loop

Directions: Go south of Blanding on US 191 4 miles and turn right on UT 95. Go 5.5 miles and turn right on Cottonwood Road (FR 106). Go 25 miles north to FR 095, turn left and go 2.5 miles to FR 088 and turn left. The 11 miles stretch of FR 088 goes from North

Elk Ridge to Elk Ridge and an intersection with FR 092. From this intersection you can go east on FR 092 and reconnect with Cottonwood Road or you can go southwest on FR 088 and reconnect with UT 95 near Natural Bridges National Monument.

Fish Creek Canyon

Directions: Go south of Blanding on US 191 4 miles and turn right on UT 95. Go 34 miles and turn left going south on UT 261 towards Grand Gulch Primitive Area and Mexican Hat. Go about 5 miles and turn east on a dirt road which lead to Fish Creek Canyon 5 miles away. (Same trailhead as Owl Creek Canyon)

Hackberry Ruins, Hovenweep NM

Directions: Go south of Blanding on US 191 about 14 miles and turn left on UT 262 (Hovenweep road).

Follow the signs to Hovenweep National Monument. Check in at the ranger station at the Square Tower unit to let them know you're there and for direction to the Hackberry Ruins.

Hovenweep National Monument

Directions: Go south of Blanding on US 191 about 14 miles and turn left on UT 262 (Hovenweep road).

Follow the signs to Hovenweep National Monument about 23 miles down the road.

Owl Creek Canyon

Directions: Go south of Blanding on US 191 4 miles and turn right on UT 95. Go 34 miles and turn left going south on UT 261 towards Grand Gulch Primitive Area and Mexican Hat. Go about 5 miles and turn east on a dirt road which lead to Fish Creek Canyon 5 miles away. (Same trailhead as Fish Creek Canyon)

Recapture Reservoir

Directions: The reservoir is located north of Blanding on US 191 about 4 miles. There are access roads to both the east and west sides.

Sand Wash

Directions: Go west of Bluff about 3 miles on UT 163 and turn left into the Sand Wash Recreation Area.

This road leads to the campground and restrooms.

Square Tower Loop, Hovenweep NM

Directions: Go south of Blanding on US 191 about 14 miles and turn left on UT 262 (Hovenweep road).

Follow the signs to Hovenweep National Monument. Check in at the ranger station at the Square Tower unit to let them know you're there and for direction to the Square Tower Loop.

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