

Snow Canyon day-pack checklist

Before you leave town

- ☐ Read current conditions and closures (Johnson Canyon is closed Mar 15–Sep 14 except ranger-guided hikes)
- ☐ Check the forecast for heat or flash-flood risk (monsoon season is typically July–September)
- ☐ Download or print the park trail map — cell service is unreliable
- ☐ Tell someone your trail and return time
- ☐ Plan to be off trail by 11 a.m. in summer
- ☐ Day-use fee ready (cash, card, or contactless)

Day pack

- ☐ Water: at least 32 oz (1 liter) per person, per hour — everyone carries their own
- ☐ Salty snacks
- ☐ Hat and sunscreen
- ☐ Sturdy shoes
- ☐ Trail map
- ☐ First aid kit
- ☐ Flashlight or headlamp (needed for the lava tubes; no glow sticks)
- ☐ Safety whistle
- ☐ Long-sleeve sun layer
- ☐ Leash (6 ft max) and waste bags, if a dog is coming

At the trailhead

- ☐ Park in a designated lot only
- ☐ Stay on mapped trails; scramble only at Galoot Hill, Petrified Dunes, or Whiterocks
- ☐ Turn around when the first person is done or the water is half gone

Source: Snow Canyon State Park pages and Sept 2026 brochure, stateparks.utah.gov/parks/snow-canyon.
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