Plan Your Visit

Welcome to Zion National Park. Steep cliffs, narrow canyons, and unpredictable weather add to the challenge and adventure of a visit. It is important to plan carefully for your stay. Park rangers at the visitor centers can provide planning information and weather forecasts, but your safety depends on your own good judgment, adequate preparation, and constant awareness.

ZION CANYON SHUTTLE
The Zion Canyon Scenic Drive is accessible by shuttle bus only through November 13 and on weekends in November. The buses are accessible and have room for backpacks, climbing gear, and at least two bicycles. The shuttles are free and you may get on and off as often as you like. Pets are not permitted.

SPRINGDALE SHUTTLE
In coordination with the Zion Canyon Shuttle, the Springdale Shuttle will pick up and drop off passengers in the town of Springdale. The closest stop to the Zion Canyon Visitor Center is located near the pedestrian entrance to the park. To avoid parking hassles, park in Springdale and ride the free shuttle to the pedestrian entrance of the park.

PARKING
Parking areas in Zion are usually full from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. To avoid delays at the entrance station and limited available parking, park in Springdale and ride the free shuttle to the park. Street parking is available in many locations in Springdale.

Improper parking is unsafe and damages park resources. Please park in designated spaces only and turn off your engine when your vehicle is stopped.

AUTOMOBILES
Only the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive is closed to private vehicles. The Zion-Mt. Carmel Highway, Kolob Canyons Road, and Kolob Terrace Road are open to vehicles.

Shuttle Schedule

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The average wait for a shuttle bus is fifteen minutes or less. The wait is longer in the morning and evening, but shorter during peak hours. Shuttle service will also operate on weekends in November, with additional service on Thanksgiving Day and Friday. The Shuttle Schedule is subject to change. Please check at the shuttle stops for current information.
Wildlife

Zion National Park is home to 69 species of mammals, 208 birds, 29 reptiles, six amphibians, and nine fish. Commonly seen animals include mule deer, lizards, and many species of birds. Rare or endangered species include the peregrine falcon, Mexican spotted owl, California condor, desert tortoise, and the Zion snail, found only in Zion National Park.

“Do not feed them.”

“The squirrel bit me in less than a second.”

Wild animals can hurt you. Do not feed them.

Desert Bighorn Sheep
Desert bighorn sheep are often seen on the east side of the park. Although they naturally shy away from people, some of these animals have grown accustomed to visitors in the park. Please do not approach or feed bighorn sheep.

Mountain Lions
Mountain lions are present in the park. Attacks are unlikely and have never been reported in the park. Please watch children closely and never let them run ahead or lag behind. More information is posted at trailheads. Please report any sightings or encounters to a park ranger.

Respect Wildlife
Please keep all animals wild and healthy by viewing them from a safe distance. Do not feed or touch wildlife. Store food and trash responsibly.

Sick or Injured Animals
Be aware that wild animals can be unpredictable. Do not approach animals or attempt to move sick or injured wildlife. Please report any sick or injured animals to a park ranger.

Services

Accessibility
Most park facilities are accessible. Wheelchairs are available for loan at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center for the visitor center area. All shuttle buses are wheelchair accessible. Mobility devices must be smaller than 30" x 46" and have a combined weight of less than 600 lbs. Service dogs are permitted on a leash throughout the park.

Campsites are available for people with disabilities. The Pa’rus Trail and the Riverside Walk are accessible trails with assistance. The Zion Lodge has several accessible hotel rooms and one accessible cabin with a roll-in shower. The Zion Lodge also has a wheelchair available for loan.

The orientation film offers captioning and the frontcountry trails video has an audio description. Many ranger-led programs are accessible. Assistive listening devices are available by reservation for all ranger-led programs. Please visit the Zion Human History Museum for information about borrowing assistive listening devices.

 Lodging
In the park, the Zion Lodge has rooms, suites, and cabins. To make reservations, please call 888-297-2757 or 435-772-7700, or visit zionlodge.com. There are other lodging options in surrounding communities.

Restaurants
In the park, the Zion Lodge dining room and café serve breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Dinner reservations are required; please call 435-772-7760. There are many restaurants in surrounding communities.

Groceries
There are grocery and convenience stores in Springdale, La Verkin, Hurricane, Kanab, St. George, and Cedar City.

Pets
Leashed pets may be walked on the Pa’rus Trail. Pets are not permitted on any other trails, on shuttles, in public buildings, or in the wilderness. Pets must be under physical control on a leash less than six feet long at all times. The interior temperature of a vehicle can quickly warm to dangerous levels. Avoid leaving animals in vehicles. Boarding kennels are available in Rockville, Kanab, Hurricane, St. George, and Cedar City.

Emergencies

For 24-hour emergency response, call 911 or 435-772-3322. The Zion Canyon Medical Clinic is located in Springdale near the south entrance to the park. For hours, please call 435-772-3226. Other medical clinics are located in Hurricane. The nearest hospitals are in St. George, Cedar City, and Kanab.

Social Media

Museum for information about borrowing assistive listening devices.

During a flash flood, the water level rises within minutes or even seconds. A flash flood can rush down a canyon in a wall of water over twelve feet high.
Safety

Whether hiking, climbing, or driving, your safety depends on your good judgment, adequate preparation, and constant awareness. Your safety is your responsibility.

STEEP CLIFFS
Falls from cliffs on trails have resulted in death. Loose sand or pebbles on stone are very slippery. Be careful of edges when using cameras or binoculars. Never throw or roll rocks because there may be hikers below you.
- Stay on the trail.
- Stay back from cliff edges.
- Observe posted warnings.
- Please watch children.

WATER
The desert is an extreme environment. Carry enough water, one gallon per person per day, and drink it. Water is available at visitor centers, campgrounds, Zion Lodge, and most shuttle stops. Do not drink untreated water.

DRIVING
Park roads are used by vehicles, bicycles, walkers, and even wildlife. Obey posted speed limits. Unless otherwise posted, the maximum speed limit is 35 mph. Seat belts or child safety seats are required for all occupants of a vehicle. Please park in designated spaces only and turn off your engine when your vehicle is stopped.

OTHER VEHICLES
Other vehicles, such as ATVs and OHVs, are not permitted in Zion National Park.

HYPOTHERMIA
Hypothermia occurs when the body is cooled to dangerous levels. It is responsible for the greatest number of deaths among people engaging in outdoor activities. It is a hazard in narrow canyons because immersion in water is the quickest way to lose body heat. To prevent hypothermia, avoid cotton clothing as it provides no insulation when wet and eat high energy food before you are chilled. The signs of hypothermia include uncontrollable shivering, stumbling and poor coordination, fatigue and weakness, and confusion or slurred speech. If you recognize any of these signs, stop hiking and immediately replace wet clothing with dry clothing.

Heat exhaustion occurs when the body loses more fluid than is taken in. Signs of heat exhaustion include nausea, vomiting, fatigue, headaches, pale appearance, stomach cramps, and cool clammy skin. If a member of your party begins to experience any of these symptoms, stop your hike immediately. Find a cool, shady area and rest with your feet up to distribute fluids throughout your body. It is important to drink fluids, but it is also important to eat. While suffering from heat exhaustion, drinking fluids without eating can lead to a potentially dangerous condition of low blood salt. Seek medical help if heat exhaustion symptoms persist for more than two hours.

HEAT STROKE
Heat stroke is an advanced stage of heat exhaustion. Symptoms include confusion, disorientation, behavioral changes, and seizures. If you believe that a member of your party is suffering from heat stroke, it is imperative to cool them using any available means and obtain immediate medical assistance.

REMOTE-CONTROLLED EQUIPMENT
Use of remote-controlled equipment, including but not limited to helicopters, drones, and toys, is prohibited in the park.

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FIREARMS
Federal law allows people who can legally possess firearms under federal, Utah, and local laws, to possess firearms in the park. It is the visitor’s responsibility to understand and comply with all applicable Utah, local, and federal firearms laws. Federal law prohibits firearms in certain facilities in Zion National Park, which are posted with signs. The discharge of firearms and hunting within the park are prohibited. Utah state law allows open carry on shuttle buses. Concealed carry is allowed for only those individuals with a concealed carry permit.

EXPLORE 5MORE
Celebrate the National Park Service Centennial with five activities and experiences for only $5 each. Purchase your ticket online, in person, or with a mobile device, and receive proof of purchase to show at the park entrance. Tickets are available at all five participating National Parks and are valid for five days. Experience the National Park Service’s commitment to preserving the nation’s past, protecting the present, and inspiring the future for future generations.

Map and Guide
CAMPING
Campgrounds in Zion Canyon have restrooms, drinking water, picnic tables, fire grates, dump stations, and recycling. All sites are half price for holders of Interagency Senior and Access Passes. There are no showers available within Zion National Park. Pay showers are available in Springdale and east of the park. The availability of these services varies throughout the year.

FIREs
When fire danger is high, all campfires may be prohibited. When permitted, fires are only allowed in fire grates in the campgrounds. Bring or buy firewood. Collecting any type of wood in the park is prohibited.

BICYCLING
Bicycling is permitted on all park roadways and on the Pa’rus Trail. Bicyclists must ride single file and stop to let shuttle buses pass. Do not pass a moving shuttle bus. Each shuttle bus has a rack for at least two bicycles. All other park trails, off-trail routes, and the Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel are closed to bicycles. Bicyclists attempting to travel though the Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel must obtain a ride through the tunnel. Hitchhiking is permitted. Rangers are not allowed to provide, or arrange for, transport through the tunnel.

CLIMBING
The sandstone cliffs of Zion National Park are famous for big wall climbs. Zion is not a place for inexperienced climbers. Climbing in the park requires appropriate hardware and advanced technical skills. There are few top roping areas and no sport climbs. Permits are not required for day climbs, but they are required for all overnight bivouacs. Climbing information and route descriptions are available at the Zion Canyon Wilderness Desk in the Zion Canyon Visitor Center. Some areas and routes are closed each year to climbing from early March through August to protect nesting peregrine falcons. Some areas that are routinely closed to climbing include The Great White Throne, Cable Mountain, Court of the Patriarchs, and Angels Landing. Check at visitor centers or visit www.nps.gov/zion for current closure information.

HORseBACK RIDING
Horses traditionally have been used to explore the terrain of Zion National Park. Guided trips are available starting at the corral near the Emerald Pools Trailhead. For private stock use, see the Wilderness Guide or inquire at visitor centers.

WATERcraft
All watercraft use in Zion National Park requires a wilderness permit. Permits are issued only when the river is flowing in excess of 150 cubic feet per second. Inner tubes are not permitted at any time on any watercourse in the park.

Hiking and CANyoneering
Hiking in canyons, even short hikes, requires advance planning. Some hikes involve walking in water. Rivers and washes are subject to flash flooding. Know the weather and flash flood potential forecasts before starting your trip. Daily forecasts are posted in park visitor centers. Many canyons require ropes, hardware, and advanced technical skills for rappelling and ascending.

BACKPACKING
Permits are required for all wilderness camping. There is a fee. Permits and hiking information are available at visitor centers. The maximum group size is 12 people. Please read the Wilderness Guide for more information.

WILderness permits
Permits are required for overnight trips, through-hikes of The Narrows and its tributaries, Left Fork (The Subway), Kolob Creek, and all canyons requiring the use of technical equipment. Reservations are available online for many permits at www.nps.gov/zion. Permits must be obtained at the visitor centers before your trip. Wilderness permit fees are based on the size of your group:
• $15 for 1-2 people
• $20 for 3-7 people
• $25 for 8-12 people

The maximum group size is 12 people of the same affiliation on the same trail or in the same drainage on the same day. The limit for some canyons is six people.

THE Narrows
The Virgin River has carved a spectacular gorge in the upper reaches of Zion Canyon—16 miles long, up to 2,000-feet deep, and at times only 20 to 30-feet wide. The Narrows, with its soaring walls, sandstone grottos, natural springs, and hanging gardens can be an unforgettable experience. It is not, however, a trip to be underestimated. Hiking The Narrows means hiking in the Virgin River. At least 60 percent of the hike is spent wading, walking, and sometimes swimming in the river. There is no maintained trail because the route is the river. The current is swift, the water may be cold and deep, and the rocks underfoot are slippery. Flash flooding and hypothermia are constant dangers. Good planning, proper equipment, and sound judgment are essential for a safe and successful trip. Your safety is your responsibility.

There are three ways to hike The Narrows, weather and water conditions permitting.

Day hike from the bottom and back
To experience The Narrows, start at the Temple of Sinawava and hike one mile to the end of the Riverside Walk and wade into the river. In less than a mile, you will be hiking in one of the narrowest sections of the canyon. There is not a formal destination, and you will return the same way you came. Some hikers try to reach Orderville Canyon, a tributary roughly two hours upstream from the end of the trail. Travel upstream into Orderville Canyon or beyond Big Spring is prohibited. No permit is required for this day hike. Groups size limits apply beyond the junction with Orderville Canyon.

Day hike from top to bottom
This strenuous 16-mile all-day hike requires a permit and a private shuttle to the trailhead. Please see the Wilderness Guide or inquire at the Zion Canyon Wilderness Desk for more information.

Overnight hike from top to bottom
This two-day hike requires a permit and a private shuttle to the trailhead. Maximum stay is one night. Please see the Wilderness Guide or inquire at the Zion Canyon Wilderness Desk for more information.

THE Narrows checklist
• Obtain weather and flash flood potential forecasts before your trip.
• Wear closed-toe shoes or sturdy boots with ankle support, not sandals or water shoes.
• Take a walking stick. Do not cut tree branches for sticks.
• Children should not hike in the river due to strong currents and deep pools.
• Carry out trash, including food wrappers, apple cores, fruit peels, and toilet paper.
• Carry one gallon of drinking water per person per day, food, sunglasses, sunscreen, and first aid kit.
• Take a fleece or windbreaker. The Narrows is much cooler than other areas in Zion Canyon.
• Pack your gear in waterproof bags.
• Use the restroom at the Riverside Walk trailhead before hiking. There are no toilets in The Narrows.
When Zion Canyon is full, explore these other great areas of the park.

**KOLOB CANYONS ROAD**
Located in the northwest corner of the park off of Interstate 15, this five-mile scenic drive climbs past the spectacular canyons and red rocks of the Kolob Canyons area and ends at the Kolob Canyons Viewpoint.

**ZION-MT. CARMEL HIGHWAY**
This 12-mile scenic highway connects the South and East Entrances. From Zion Canyon, the road travels up steep switchbacks, through the historic Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel, and emerges on the east side of the park. Delays are possible. For large vehicle restrictions, read page 12.

**KOLOB TERRACE ROAD**
This steep 20-mile scenic drive starts in the town of Virgin and climbs north from the desert washes into the aspen-covered plateaus of the higher elevations of the park and provides access to Lava Point. Not recommended for vehicles pulling trailers.
Riding the shuttle is the easiest way to see some of the park’s most beautiful sights in a limited time. A roundtrip ride on the shuttle takes about 80 minutes, and the average wait for a shuttle bus is fifteen minutes or less. Some of the most scenic shuttle stops are the Court of the Patriarchs, the Zion Lodge, and Big Bend. If you are interested in hiking, choose one of the easy hikes. Some easy hikes include Weeping Rock, the Lower Emerald Pool Trail, and the Riverside Walk.

In addition to riding the shuttle, visit the Zion Human History Museum and watch the park orientation film or attend a ranger-led program. If you are interested in hiking, choose trails based on your ability level from the Hiking Guide. Some moderate hikes include the Emerald Pools Trails and the Watchman Trail. Some strenuous hikes include Observation Point, The Narrows, and Angels Landing.

Zion Canyon is only one small part of Zion National Park. Take a scenic drive to the other areas of the park listed below, or explore the Zion Wilderness. Read page 6 for an area map or pick up a copy of the Wilderness Guide at park visitor centers.

### Hiking Guide

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| **Moderate** |               |           |                  |             |
| 1            | Watchman Trail | 2 hours   | 368 / 112 ft/m   | Moderate drop-offs. Ends at viewpoint of the Towers of the Virgin, lower Zion Canyon, and Springdale. |
| 2            | Watchman Trail | 2 hours   | 368 / 112 ft/m   | Moderate drop-offs. Ends at viewpoint of the Towers of the Virgin, lower Zion Canyon, and Springdale. |
| 3            | Sand Bench Trail | 5 hours | 466 / 142 ft/m | Commercial horse trail from March to October. Hike along a massive landslide under The Grotto. |

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Zion National Park Shuttle System
Spring through fall, the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive is open to shuttle buses only. Private vehicles are not allowed beyond Canyon Junction.
**ZION HUMAN HISTORY MUSEUM**

**WEPPING ROCK**

**CANYON JUNCTION**
The junction of the Zion-Mt. Carmel Highway and the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive. Views of the Virgin River and Zion Canyon. Access to the Pa’rus Trail.

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**THE GROTTO**

**TEMPLE OF SINAWAVA**

**COURT OF THE PATRIARCHS**
Short and steep trail to viewpoint views of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob Pecks, Mount Moroni, and The Sentinel.

**BIG BEND**

**ZION LODGE**

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**ZION CANYON VISITOR CENTER**
The starting point for any visit to Zion Canyon. Outdoor exhibits, information desk, wilderness permits, bookstore, restrooms, picnic area, and water bottle filling station. Ranger-led programs. Access to the Pa’rus Trail and Watchman Trail.
Ranger-led Programs

Enhance your understanding and enjoyment of Zion National Park by taking part in a ranger-led program May 28 through September 5.

Ride with a Ranger

Shuttle Tours

Enjoy a unique 2-hour experience on a morning ranger-led shuttle bus tour of Zion Canyon. Several stops will provide an intimate look at Zion Canyon. Seating is limited—make free reservations, in person, up to 3 days in advance at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center. Meet at the Visitor Center flagpole. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to departure.

Walks

HIKING THE KAYENTA
2 hours, moderate 1.5-mile hike
The Grotto Shuttle Stop
Hike amidst the spectacular scenery and discover Zion’s unique natural and cultural history.

RIVERSIDE RAMBLE
2 hours, easy 2-mile walk
Temple of Sinawava Shuttle Stop
Discover the striking power and varied influence of water in canyon country.

WALKING THE WATCHMAN
2.5 hours, moderate 2.5-mile hike
Visitor Center Shuttle Stop
Explore a diverse beautiful landscape teeming with life as you walk up a scenic trail.

Talks Subjects Vary

All talks in Zion Canyon are presented on the patio behind the Zion Human History Museum. Talks are 30 to 30 minutes long. Explore the fascinating world of Zion’s wildlife and learn the secrets of their survival. Discover the stories of the people who lived in and shaped Zion Canyon. Uncover how this striking scenery came to be and the stories that are recorded in the rocks. Subjects Vary.

Evening Programs

Watchman Campground Amphitheater, Zion Lodge Auditorium and the Family Evening Program (Youth)
Discover what makes Zion such a special place. 45-minute evening programs address a myriad of topics, including the geology, people, and animals of the park. Limited parking is available at Watchman Campground for non-campers. Check bulletin boards at the visitor center, museum, and campgrounds for program topics.

Youth Programs

Youth programs are designed specifically for children and families. Children must be accompanied by an adult while attending all programs.

Zion Nature Center

Be sure to visit the Zion Nature Center to have fun uncovering Zion’s mysteries. Kids can dress up as a park ranger, go on a scavenger hunt, learn about skulls and dinosaur tracks, and much more. Ranger-led programs are offered every afternoon and include interactive components like games, painting, crafts, and other activities. The Zion Nature Center is located next to the South Campground and is open from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. The shuttle does not stop at the Zion Nature Center, but it can be accessed from the Pa’rus Trail. Limited parking is available.

South Campground Amphitheater

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**Zion Lodge Lawn Program**

The programs are 30 to 45 minutes long designed for children ages 8 and under. Meet on the lawn under the large cottonwood tree.

**Drop-In Programs**

Join a park ranger at any point between the times listed in the program schedule to learn more about a variety of subjects. You are welcome to stop by for just a minute or stay for an hour. Immerse yourself in the grandeur of Zion and discover its unique diversity. Park rangers are available for 2 hours from the start of the program.

**Junior Ranger Program**

Visitors ages 4 and older can earn a badge by completing the Junior Ranger Handbook and attending at least one ranger-led program. The handbook is available for free at visitor centers, the Zion Human History Museum, and the Zion Nature Center. Visit the Zion Natural History Bookstores for patches and other items to celebrate the Junior Ranger accomplishment.

Enjoy the Ranger-Led and Youth Programs!
**Weather**

In summer, temperatures in Zion National Park often exceed 100°F/38°C. Higher elevations may have temperatures in excess of 90°F/32°C. Zion experiences a monsoon season from mid-July into September that results in an increased risk of flash floods. Visitors should always be aware of the threat of thunderstorms and lightning.

Always be prepared for a wide range of weather conditions. Temperatures in the park can vary dramatically with changes in elevation and the time of day. Day and night temperatures can differ by over 30°F/17°C. Consider dressing in layers to prepare for changes in temperature.

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**Environmental Impact**

Zion National Park is much more than just a recreational destination. It is a sanctuary of natural and cultural resources. Conserving this heritage is a task that the National Park Service cannot accomplish alone. All of us serve a critical role in maintaining Zion’s sanctuary for the future. Please respect your national park and the experiences of others.

**Recycling and Trash**

Please do not litter. Carry out or recycle all of your trash, including toilet paper. The park recycling program provides disposal for plastic, aluminum, glass, paper, and other materials. Zion National Park works closely with the community to provide many recycling options for visitors. With help from you, Zion kept nearly 200,000 lbs of waste out of landfills last year. Participate in recycling efforts by using the available recycling bins inside the park and in local communities.

**Wildlife**

Feeding, harming, or capturing wild animals is illegal and can cause injury or death to the animal. Animals can become aggressive beggars when fed.

**Volunteer**

**Volunteers-in-Parks**

Volunteer with Zion National Park and help us care for this special place. Volunteers at Zion work with park employees behind the scenes and on the frontline to preserve park resources and contribute to visitor enjoyment. In 2015, 284 volunteers contributed 22,000 hours of service to Zion National Park. You too can make a difference. For volunteer opportunities at Zion, please contact 435-772-0184 or visit the Get Involved section on our website at [www.nps.gov/zion](http://www.nps.gov/zion).

**Volunteer Annual Pass**

Admission to all federal fee areas for one year for volunteers with over 250 hours of service.

**Water Bottle Filling Stations**

There are several water bottle filling stations located throughout the park. To reduce waste, the sale of disposable plastic water bottles is prohibited in Zion Canyon. Support this initiative by bringing a reusable water bottle with you and using it after you leave. Water bottle filling stations are located at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, Zion Human History Museum, Zion Lodge, and the Temple of Sinawava.

**Zion Canyon Shuttle System**

The shuttle system was created to reduce traffic congestion, parking conflicts, pollution, noise, and resource damage. Each full shuttle reduces traffic by 28 cars. The shuttles reduce the number of vehicle miles traveled per day by over 50,000 and reduce CO₂ emissions by over 12 tons per day.

**Renewable Energy**

Solar power provides clean energy for Zion National Park. In 2010, large photovoltaic systems were installed at the Kolob Canyons Visitor Center, the Emergency Operations Center, and Zion Headquarters. Zion generates 12 percent of its power from onsite renewable sources and purchases renewable energy to offset other sources. Efforts to reduce energy use have resulted in a 10 percent decrease since 2008.

**Electric Vehicle Charging Stations**

With a grant from the U.S. Department of Energy Clean Cities program, electric vehicle charging stations were installed at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center and the Kolob Canyons Visitor Center in 2015. Purchase an access code at visitor center bookstores. With these initiatives and your help, we can work towards preserving and protecting these places for future generations.
The Zion Natural History Association is a non-profit organization that began in 1929 to support education, research, publications, and other programs for the benefit of Zion National Park, Cedar Breaks National Monument, and Pipe Spring National Monument. Financial support by ZNHA members, combined with sales from our bookstores, provides parks with approximately $700,000 in annual aid.

ZION CANYON FIELD INSTITUTE
The Zion Canyon Field Institute educates and inspires visitors about the greater Zion National Park ecosystem and environment. ZCFI is the educational division of the non-profit cooperating association Zion Natural History Association. These workshops take place in and around Zion National Park, Cedar Breaks National Monument, and Pipe Spring National Monument.

OUTDOOR LEARNING ADVENTURES
Hike to a hanging garden where vibrant columbine grow next to scarlet monkey flowers. Relax while a geologist explains the wonders of Zion in a small group setting. Enjoy a discussion by the Virgin River about water issues in the West. Wade into The Narrows and plunge into a service project to keep it pristine. These are just a few of the experiences that you can enjoy during our workshops.

SERVICE PROJECTS
Participants have the opportunity to get a backstage view of Zion, learn intensively about a single subject, and contribute to a project that benefits the park.

PRIVATE EXPLORATIONS
Our Custom Explore Zion program provides educational experiences for small groups based on your schedule.

REGISTRATION
Pick up the course schedule at any of the park's bookstores. To register for a course, please visit www.zionpark.org, call 435 772-3264 or 800 635-3959, or stop by the Zion Canyon Visitor Center Bookstore. Fees for one-day workshops are $60 to $85 per day.

MEMBERSHIP
Become a member of ZNHA and enjoy benefits for yourself today, while you help Zion tomorrow. ZNHA supports the educational outreach and the Junior Ranger programs for youth, publishes books on Zion, contributes to park ranger-led programs, and provides free visitor information about the park.

Join us as a member and receive a twenty-percent discount on all purchases at ZNHA bookstores and most ZCFI workshops. Members also receive discounts at participating associations, our quarterly e-newsletter, and the biannual Sojourns publication. Most importantly, your membership helps ensure future educational and research activities in Zion National Park.

MEMBERSHIP LEVEL OPTIONS
- Individual Sojourns $45
- Family Sojourns $60
- Contributor $100
- Advocate $250
- Donor $500

ZNHA BOOKSTORES
Be sure to pick up a copy of the award-winning Zion Adventure Guide for $16.99, available at the ZNHA bookstores located in the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, Zion Human History Museum, and at the Kolob Canyons Visitor Center. Visit the bookstores for a variety of interpretive products to enhance your experience in Zion.

Your purchase at our bookstores helps support important park programs and a sustainable future for these places you love so much.

MAPS OF ZION
The bookstore sells a wide variety of topographic maps, geologic maps, and hiking and climbing guide books.

ONLINE STORE
Shop our new online store! You can buy maps, guides, or posters, purchase books on geology, history, or art, sign up for a ZCFI class, join ZNHA, or make a donation. Purchases support important programs in Zion National Park.

Visit www.zionpark.org or call (800) 635-3959
Entrance Fees

The entrance fees at Zion National Park are $30 per vehicle, $25 per motorcycle and $15 per person for bicyclists, pedestrians, motorcycles, and organized groups. All entrance fees are valid for seven days. Eighty percent of fees collected remain in the park for repair, maintenance, and facility enhancement directly related to visitor enjoyment, health, and safety.

Information Centers

**ZION CANYON VISITOR CENTER**
Located near the South Entrance of the park, the Zion Canyon Visitor Center is an excellent place to begin your exploration of Zion Canyon. Park rangers and outdoor exhibits will help you plan your visit and make the most of your time. Inquire at the Zion Canyon Wilderness Desk about permits for backpacking, canyoneering, and other trips into the wilderness. Visit the bookstore for maps, books, and gifts.

**ZION HUMAN HISTORY MUSEUM**
Indoor exhibits focus on the human history of Zion National Park. A 22-minute orientation film highlights the dramatic landscapes of the park and examines the history of the canyon. Rotating art exhibits feature regional artists. Visit the bookstore for maps, books, and gifts. There are dramatic views of the Towers of the Virgin and Bridge Mountain outside.

**KOLOB CANYONS VISITOR CENTER**
This is the entry point to the Kolob Canyons area of the park. It is located 45 miles north of Springdale and 17 miles south of Cedar City at Exit 40 on Interstate 15. Park rangers are available to answer questions and issue wilderness permits. Exhibits explore the geology, vegetation, and wildlife of this unique landscape.

Large Vehicles

The Zion-Mt. Carmel Tunnel connects Zion Canyon to the east side of the park. It was built in the 1920s when large vehicles were less common. Vehicles 11’4” tall or taller, or 7’10” wide or wider, require one-lane traffic control through the tunnel. Large vehicles cannot travel in a single lane through the tunnel. Nearly all RVs, buses, trailers, fifth-wheels, dual-wheel trucks, campers, and boats require traffic control.

**TUNNEL TRAFFIC CONTROL**
Visitors requiring traffic control through the tunnel must pay a $15 fee per vehicle in addition to the entrance fee. Pay this fee at the park entrance station before driving to the tunnel. The fee is valid for two trips through the tunnel for the same vehicle during a seven-day period. Rangers will stop oncoming traffic so that you may drive down the center of the road in the tunnel. We apologize for any delays associated with this safety precaution.

**PROHIBITED VEHICLES**

- vehicles over 13’1” tall
- semi-trucks and commercial vehicles
- vehicles carrying hazardous materials
- vehicles weighing more than 30,000 lbs
- combined vehicles or buses over 50’

Bicycles and pedestrians are also not permitted in the tunnel and must obtain a ride. Hitchhiking is permitted. Rangers are not allowed to provide, or arrange for, transport through the tunnel.

**MAP OF THE AREA**

Vehicles over 11’4” (3.4 m) tall or 7’10” (2.4 m) wide, including mirrors, awnings, and jacks, will require traffic control in the tunnel. Single-axle vehicles may not exceed 40’ in length.

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