Robbers Roost

Robbers Roost is remote desert country, where plateau rangeland country is incised by Navajo sandstone slots that release into large, deep canyons. Access to the Roost is challenging, with many miles of dirt road driving required to reach any of the trailheads, and 4WD/HCV capability is recommended. All visitors should come prepared. The closest services of any kind are in Hanksville or Green River. Chances of encountering other users is low, and any kind of emergency response will not be fast considering the remote and isolated nature of the Roost.

Land Management Resource

The BLM Henry Mountains Field Station (Hanksville) manages the Robbers Roost region. The office is open 7:45am – 4:30pm, Monday through Friday.

- 380 South 100 West, Hanksville, UT 84734
- (435) 542-3461

Rules and Regulations

- The Dirty Devil region is designated as a Special Recreation Management Area (SRMA) which means there are certain management objectives for the area. A SRMA plan will be prepared in the coming months to determine the best way to manage the area to meet those objectives. The area is managed for a high probability of experiencing solitude, closeness to nature, self-reliance, challenge, and risk in an unmodified and natural appearing environment with very low interaction or evidence of other users.
- Both the Dirty Devil drainage and the Horseshoe Canyon drainage are designated as Wilderness Study Areas (WSAs). This means the areas are managed to maintain their wilderness characteristics, meaning no motorized travel, no bolting, no power tools, etc. are permitted.
- Visitors are encouraged to practice leave-no-trace principles.
- For general users, no permits or fees are required to visit the area.
- The only time a permit is required is if the activity is commercial or educational. Contact the Hanksville BLM office for further information.
- Group size in the canyons is limited to a maximum of 12 people.

Emergency Information

24-hour Emergency Response: Call 911

Note: Cell phones do not work in many areas of the Roost. Some high spots can get reception from the La Sals / Moab area, and parts of the western Roost can get reception from the Hanksville tower, but it is best not to count on a phone connection.

Nearest Medical Facility is Wayne Community Health Center, located 19 miles west of the park in Bicknell; 128 N 300 W Bicknell, UT 84715; (435) 425-3744; Closed Sundays and limited hours on Saturday.

Closest Hospitals are in Moab (108 miles east, just under 2 hours from Hanksville), Price (114 miles north, 2 hours from Hanksville), and Richfield (111 miles west, 2+ hours from Hanksville)