

# *Flaming Gorge/ Hideout Canyon Trail*

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Hideout Canyon Trail @ Flaming Gorge Directions: From Vernal, go north on 191 then road turns west and becomes 44. Go approximately 15 miles on 44 to Dowd Mountain Overlook (Forest Road 94).

From Wyoming, go south on 44 from Manila for approximately 7 miles. Turn at Dowd Mountain Overlook (Forest Road 94) and drive 2.5 miles to the 2nd intersection with Forest Road 613. You will see a clearly marked sign for Hideout Canyon trailhead.

There are camping spots by trailhead. However, if you turn left onto 613 and go  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile, there is a great established site on right hand side.

There is a vault toilet & picnic area at the Dowd Mountain Overlook ( $\frac{1}{2}$  mile from trailhead).

The nearest horse water is about 1 mile south from Forest Road 94 on 44 at the Carter Creek viewing area exit. Hideout Canyon Trail. It is a 10 mile out and back trail that takes you to the Hideout Canyon campground on the water.

It is mostly double track and well defined.

**Horses should be well conditioned as it is extremely steep (1700 vertical down and back up).**

This is one of the most beautiful trails I have ridden. The vista views of the gorge are amazing for the entire ride.

The Hideout Canyon campground at the ending point is very well maintained, with amenities, and is an excellent place for a picnic.

Fun note, it is called Hideout Canyon because it was one of Butch Cassidy's favorite hiding places.

NOTE: There are two other trails at the main 94/613 intersection (Dowd Mt loop and Carter Creek). It makes for a great extended trip. Hope you enjoy!



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**Remember always to use your best judgment. Always take a moment to consider the suitability the weather, trail conditions, your horsemanship skills, the skill of those in your party, and perhaps most important...the physical and mental condition of your horses before each trip.**

**Safe Trails !!!**