



escape adventures

# MOUNTAIN BIKING Brian Head Singletrack

## The Basics

**State:** Utah

**Mileage:** 51-84.5 Miles

**Elevation:** 5000 -11,307 ft

## Tour Dates

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## Meeting Information

The group will meet at **11am (MST) in St. George, Utah**, at The Crystal Inn.

You can also take advantage of our shuttle from Las Vegas (\$100 Round-Trip). The shuttle will leave from the [Element Hotel\\*](#) in Las Vegas, (Summerlin), at **7:30am** on the first day of the tour. This hotel is located next door to our world class tour center and bike shop.

*Element offers a complimentary breakfast and an excellent rate for guests of Escape Adventures.*

We will return to St. George around 2pm, and Vegas around 5pm on the last day.

## Rentals

Specialized Stumpjumper  
Camping Gear

[Learn more about our rental gear on our website.](#)

**Bringing or shipping your own gear?** [See our shipping policy.](#)



**Length:** 5 Days / 4 Nights

**Accommodations:** Camping

For up-to-date pricing and dates, please visit our website.

The result of volcanic activity as recent as 500 years ago, Brian Head Mountain stands high above scenic southern Utah. This Rocky Mountain pinnacle is home to Utah's highest ski and mountain bike resort.

For many years, locals have enjoyed this cool summer retreat almost exclusively. But, as with all great things, word has eventually gotten out. Over 100 miles of descending singletrack and hundreds more of cross country trails are just too incredible to keep under cover. *Bicycling* magazine discovered this fat-tire fantasy world, naming Brian Head as "Utah's Other Utopia."

Riding in Brian Head means long, vertical-mile descents, beautiful, crisp mountain scenery, and sensational cross-country singletrack for the seasoned mountain biker. We can't wait to share our favorite singletrack with you!

## Trip Amenities and Meals

All camping on this trip is in improved campgrounds with running water and flush toilets. There are no shower facilities, but solar showers will be available. Cell phone service is very spotty. All meals on this trip are prepared by your guides.

**Trip Cost Includes:** Two guides, all meals starting with lunch on the first day through lunch on the last day, support vehicle, snacks, first-aid, bike maintenance, community gear, and a souvenir shirt.

**Trip Cost Does Not Include:** Airfare to and from our departure point, lodging before or after the tour, personal camping gear, rental bike, or gratuities to Escape Adventures guides. Tips to the guides are given at your discretion and based on the quality of your experience. We suggest 10-20% of your trip cost to be divided between the guides.



Fitness Level



Technical Level

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# Daily Itinerary

### What sets us apart?

**Our People:** Our guides are the best in the business, hands down.

**Our Commitment:** We don't just preach environmental awareness, we live it! We recycle 90% of our waste, fuel our support van with recycled vegetable oil, and we are the world's 1st carbon-neutral outfitter.

**Our Food:** Our guides lovingly prepare meals for the trip with an emphasis on fresh, local and organic foods, ensuring you have the fuel you need to ride, and a delicious meal at the same time- including dessert!

### Offset Your Airfare

We've got your trip covered, but use our online [Carbon Calculator](#) to offset your travel to and from the trip

Be sure to visit the [Brian Head Singletrack photo gallery](#) on our website for more photos of this trip.



## Day 1 | Brian Head to Panguitch Lake

After meeting in St. George, we'll travel as a group to Brian Head Peak for a light lunch, introductions, and a pre-trip meeting. Our adventure begins as we descend the exciting Bunker Creek singletrack. *Mountain Bike Action Magazine* rated this singletrack as one of the top ten best trails in America. It descends 2,885 feet over 12 miles to Panguitch Lake, our stop for the night. If your legs are willing, you may opt for an evening ride around the lake passing the many small cabins and lakeside summer homes.

**Total Mileage** | 9-21 miles

**Camp** | Panguitch Lake

**Terrain** | 80% Singletrack, 20% Double track, No Van Support

## Day 2 | Dark Hollow

We have an awesome descent lined up for you today. *Mountain Bike Magazine* rated our first descent, Dark Hollow, as one of the top ten trails in the country. With a descent of about 4,000 feet over 15 miles, your heart will be racing with excitement as you fly down the singletrack.

If you are ready for more we can take lift access and explore more epic trails!

**Total Mileage** | 15 miles

**Camp** | Panguitch Lake

**Terrain** | 90% Singletrack, 10% Doubletrack, No Van Support

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**Specific Trip Tips**

- Las Vegas, Nevada, is the closest city with a major airport and car rentals. We recommend that you fly into Las Vegas and drive or take our shuttle to St. George.
- Visit our [Las Vegas departure page](#) on our website for more information, directions, hotel listings and more.
- Please arrive in Las Vegas or St. George at least 12 hours prior to your departure time in order to have time to rest before the tour.

Use our [Pre-Trip Information Center](#) for packing lists, how to prepare, FAQs and more

**Weather**

You will be riding and sleeping at elevations over 7,000 ft every night of this trip. Please be prepared for cool nights. Use the following locations when checking the weather online:

**Panquitch, UT** (Day 1,2) - **Duck Creek Village, UT** (3) - **Brian Head, UT** (4,5)

**Day 3 | Virgin River Rim Trail**

Our ride today is through some of the freshest cut singletrack in the west. The Virgin River Rim Trail has everything a mountain biker could ask for— technical climbs, challenging switchbacks, fast descents, incredible scenery (of Zion National Park), mud, dirt and rocks! Our ride along the Pink Cliffs takes us to and past Te Ah campground where we will camp for the night, just west of Navajo Lake. Once our ride is done we will take a shuttle back to Te-Ah campground.

**Total Mileage** | 11-28.5 miles

**Camp** | Te-Ah

**Elevation gain** 1500-3172 ft

**Terrain** | 100% Singletrack, No Van Support

**Day 4 | Navajo Lake and Bunker Creek or Blowhard**

The morning will begin with a hearty breakfast made by your trip leaders then we will ride the Navajo Lake Loop! This aspen-forested singletrack is a fun 12 miles around the scenic shoreline with plenty of photo opportunities. This will be a nice warm up for the afternoons ride. As a group you can decide between an all out downhill run from 10,000 feet to 7500 feet on the Blowhard trail or more of a pedaling option on Bunker Creek via Sydney Peaks trail. Either way you are guaranteed to leave smiling ear to ear.

**Total Mileage** | Navajo Lake 12 miles,

Blowhard 7 miles 292 feet gain

OR

Sydney Peaks 4 miles 337 gain AND

Bunker Creek 3 miles 119 feet gain

**Camp** | Te-Ah,

**Terrain** | 100% Singletrack, No Van Support

**Day 5 | C trail**

Our last ride takes us from the top to the bottom racing right down to Cedar City! This trail will get your heart racing and never let you down. Switchback after switchback will have you smiling all the way home. After a stop in Cedar City, we shuttle back to our meeting places.

**Total Mileage** | 4 miles

**Terrain** | 100% Singletrack, No Van Support

This is a general itinerary and may vary. Escape Adventures reserves the right to make changes due to weather, local conditions, government intervention, or any unforeseen reasons that may affect the quality of the trip and/or safety of the participants. Inns are subject to change.

