



TALKING MOUNTAIN YURTS

LA SAL MOUNTAIN RANGE | MOAB, UTAH

Gold Basin Yurt Winter Directions

It's a well-groomed and flagged 1.5 mile ski/snowshoe tour with minimal elevation gain from the Geyser Pass Parking Area to access the Gold Basin yurt. Intermediate experience is recommended. This trail is also open to snowmobiles, but snowmobile traffic is limited to the road only.

Moab to the Winter Trailhead

From Moab, head south on US-191/Main Street and travel 7.8 miles. Turn left onto Co Rd #127/Old Airport Rd (brown sign indicating Ken's Lake and La Sals is located at the turn on US-191) and travel 0.6 miles. Turn right onto Co Rd #127/Forest Road #046 (La Sal Mountain Loop) and travel 11.5 miles. Turn right onto Forest Road #071 (Geyser Pass) and travel 4.5 miles. Park at the Winter Parking Lot and gear up!

Winter Trailhead to Geyser Pass Yurt

From the parking lot follow the groomed Geyser Pass road #071 east for 0.9 miles. Turn right at the USFS sign indicating Gold Basin road #241. Follow the groomed Gold Basin road for 1.2 miles. When the road turns sharply to the left and descends 100 yards the yurt will be visible through a clearing to the right. Leave the groomed trail here and make your way 50 yards to the yurt.

Short Cut: An optional route exists which eliminates approximately 1 mile of groomed trail. From the parking lot follow the groomed Geyser Pass road #071 east for 0.5 miles. After the road passes a large meadow on the left hand side keep an eye out for a skin track that leaves the road to the right and climbs steeply through the trees. Follow the skin track for approximately 0.4 miles until it rejoins the groomed Gold Basin road #241. Once back on the groomed trail follow the road for 0.5 miles. When the road turns sharply to the left and descends 100 yards the yurt will be visible through a clearing to the right. Leave the groomed trail here and make your way 50 yards to the yurt.

Travel time from Moab to parking lot: Approx. 1hr

Estimated touring time: 30min – 1hr (depending on route)

Gold Basin Waypoint: 38°28'11.15"N – 109°16'6.11"W

Please note there is no cellphone coverage from the Winter Trailhead and upwards, please print or download directions and maps.