



RAINBOW BRIDGE

NATIONAL MONUMENT

Measured at 234 feet, Rainbow Bridge is the largest natural bridge in the world and conveniently located at Lake Powell. With over 100,000 visitors a year this site remains the most popular destination on the lake. At only 49 miles from Glen Canyon Dam and 50 Miles from Bullfrog Marina it makes for a good day trip (weather pending) for most boaters or an easy excursion on one of Wahweap or Bullfrog Marina hired tour boats. A short hike along the dock leading to a wash trail is rewarded with breathtaking views of sheer canyon walls leading to the stunning arch. At the time of writing the hike was 2/3 mile, but can reach up to 2 miles at lower lake levels. The main viewing area has a shade shack and resting area (large boulders to sit on). Tour boats bring large numbers of people around 10:30am-12:00pm and 3:30pm-5:00pm MST, so we recommend arriving before or after so you can enjoy it with less interruption.

Hiking Time: 15 - 30 minutes one way.

Hiking Distance: 2/3 - 1 Mile (at 2010 Lake Levels)

Level of Difficulty: Easy - Moderate (some minor hill climbing)

Facilities: Short term boat dock and restrooms.

Nearest Marina: Dangling Rope, 10 miles.

Distance to Wahweap Marina: 54 miles.

Distance to Bullfrog Marina: 50 miles.

Pets Allowed: No.

Special Notes: Drink plenty of water - temperatures regularly reach over 100 degrees throughout the summer at Rainbow Bridge.

Location:

GPS Coordinates: 110°57'52"W, 37°4'37"N

From Bullfrog area travel downlake on the main channel about 50 miles - after you pass mile marker 50 look for Forbidding Canyon on your left. Enter the canyon and follow the signs pointing to Rainbow Bridge. The short-term dock area is about 1 - 2 miles up Forbidding Canyon.

From Wahweap travel uplake on the main channel about 54 miles. At mile marker 49 follow the entrance to Forbidding Canyon. Enter the canyon and follow the signs pointing to Rainbow Bridge. The short-term dock area is about 1 - 2 miles up Forbidding Canyon.



