

## Finding the Wave

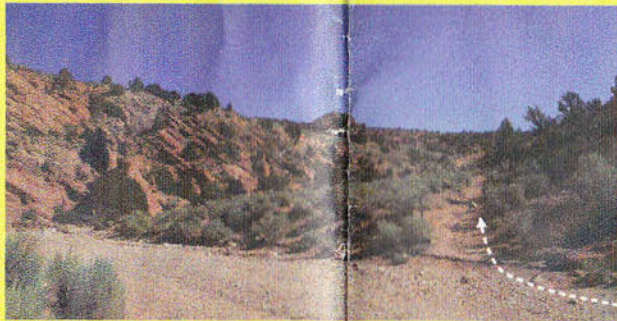
### How to use these instructions

- These directions and the accompanying map will assist you in getting to the Wave and returning to the Wire Pass Trailhead parking area.
- Look on the map for labeled points (Point 1, Point 2, etc.). You will be following these points in sequence.
  - ⇒ If you are using a GPS unit, Latitude-Longitude coordinates are listed for each point. GPS Map Datum is WGS84 and Position Format is hddd° mm.mmm' (Degrees, Decimal Minutes) and UTM Zone 12
  - ⇒ If you are not using a GPS unit, use the map and the directions below to navigate.
- Once you are confident you are close to one of the points, find the photo below with the same name.
- Also listed for each point is a magnetic Azimuth, or compass reading, based on Magnetic North. This is the direction the camera was pointed for each of the corresponding photos.
  - ⇒ If you have a compass, the Azimuth is the direction you should be facing.
  - ⇒ Example: Point 1, Azimuth: 022° NNE (This means you would be facing North-Northeast).
- Look at the photo. If you are at or near the point, you should see the same view shown in the photo.
- Use the white arrows in the photos as a suggested route of travel toward the next point. Do not try to follow the white arrows exactly, they are for reference only.

### Getting Started

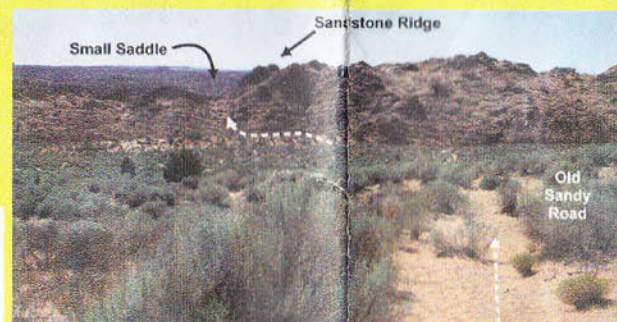
- Park your vehicle in the Wire Pass Trailhead Parking Lot and sign in at the trail register located at the edge of the parking area.
- To start the hike, cross House Rock Valley Road and take the dirt foot path into Coyote Wash and follow the trail marker which directs you back out of the wash and onto another dirt foot path that parallels the wash.
- Shortly after passing through the steel walk-thru gate, the foot path leads you back into Coyote Wash.
- Follow the wash downstream and about ½ mile from the trailhead (10-15 minutes walking time), look for an old road leaving the wash to the right and a sign that points to Coyote Buttes. This is Point 1.

**Point 1 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 022° NNE  
 Latitude: N 37° 01.192'  
 Longitude: W -112° 01.085'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4097561  
 Easting: 409437



- Leave Coyote Wash and follow the old road up the hill. After passing the top of the hill, start looking for the sandstone ridge in the Point 2 photo. When you see that view, you are at Point 2.

**Point 2 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 120° ESE  
 Latitude: N 37° 01.053'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.810'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4097299  
 Easting: 409842



- Continue to follow the old road to a large sand wash. Cross the wash and then climb up and over the sandstone ridge through a small saddle where the white arrow in the Point 2 photo indicates.

**Point 3 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 146° SE  
 Latitude: N 37° 00.926'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.534'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4097060  
 Easting: 410249



- Once you have crossed the ridge through the small saddle, you will be at Point 3. Turn right (south) and walk across the sandstone slickrock, moving parallel to the ridge towards Point 4, as shown in the Point 3 photo.

**Point 4 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 166° SSE  
 Latitude: N 37° 00.771'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.475'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4096773  
 Easting: 410333



- Continue walking south across the sandstone and when you see the Twin Buttes as shown in the Point 4 photo, you are at Point 4. Make note of the reference in this photo about the shadowed crack in the distance.

- Follow the white arrow and pass the Twin Buttes on the right (uphill) side. It might look easier on the left, but it's not!

**Point 5 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 160° SSE  
 Latitude: N 37° 00.579'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.474'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4096418  
 Easting: 410331

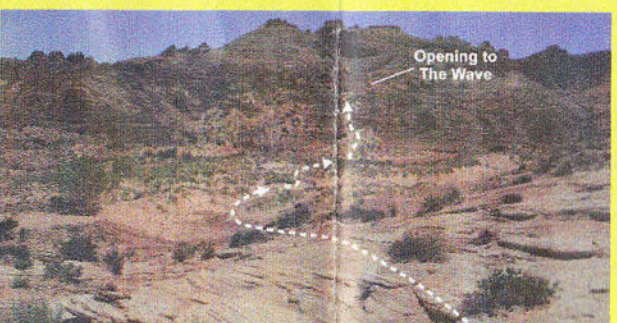


- After passing between the Twin Buttes and the ridge, continue about 100 feet (30 meters) through the notch to Point 5.

- From Point 5, follow the white arrow across the slickrock and start looking for two sand dunes at the far end.

- Continue south through the gap between the two sand dunes. When you are looking down at a large wash as shown in Point 6 photo, you are at Point 6.

**Point 6 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 164° SSE  
 Latitude: N 37° 00.168'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.409'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4095657  
 Easting: 410419



- From Point 6, travel down the slickrock into and through the wide wash as shown by the white arrows. You will climb out of the other side of the wash and up a steep sandy hill. The Wave begins slightly above and to the right of the tip of the upper white arrow.

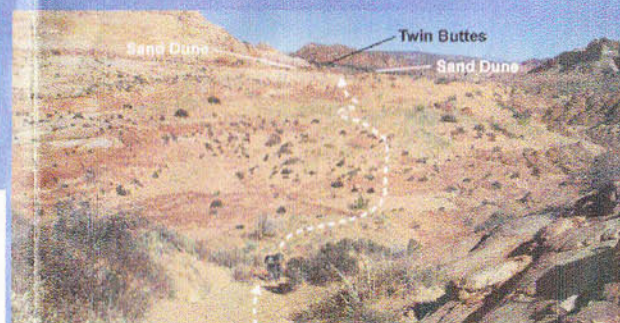
- Climb up the sand hill from Point 7. The Wave begins slightly above and to the right of the tip of the upper white arrow.

## Getting back to Wire Pass Trailhead

### Getting Back

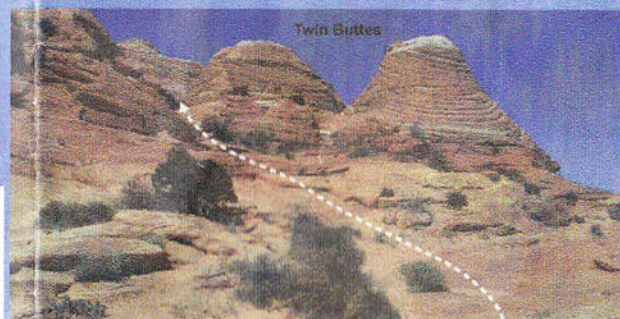
- You will be returning on the same route, however, there will be different points along the way back with different photos to help guide you.
- Retrace your steps along the sandstone cliff and then north part of the way down the sandy hill. This is Point 7.

**Point 7 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 344° NNW  
 Latitude: N 36° 59.886'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.372'  
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 Northing: 4095135  
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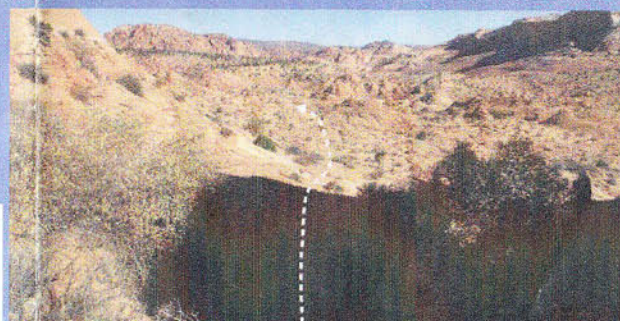
- Take a moment to review the Point 7 photo to find the route you will be traveling. Make note of where the sand dunes and the Twin Buttes are before descending from this spot since you will be revisiting these features.
- Continue descending the hill, cross the wash and then climb out of the wash to the gap between the two sand dunes. This will be Point 8.

**Point 8 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 324° NW  
 Latitude: N 37° 00.556'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.460'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4096375  
 Easting: 410351



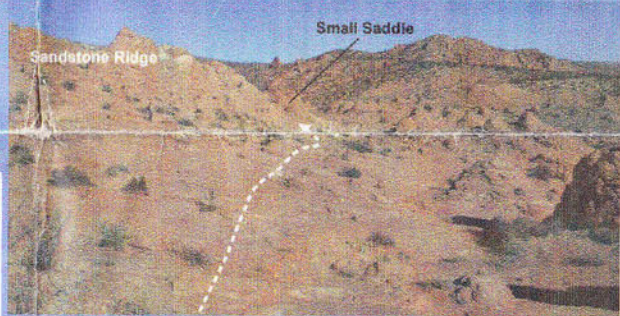
- A short distance from the Twin Buttes, you will arrive at Point 8. Review the Point 8 photo and follow the route indicated by the white arrow, to the left (uphill) of the Twin Buttes. Point 9 will be just on the north side of the notch between the Twin Buttes and the ridge.

**Point 9 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 356° N  
 Latitude: N 37° 00.596'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.506'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4096450  
 Easting: 410284



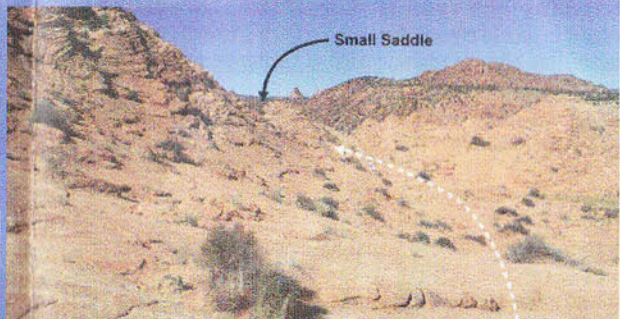
- From Point 9, travel downhill as shown by the white arrow, up a slight rise and then continuing in a northerly direction on the slickrock. At this point, avoid going uphill to the west or downhill to the east as this will only cause delays in your return.

**Point 10 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 320° NW  
 Latitude: N 37° 00.787'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.469'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4096802  
 Easting: 410343



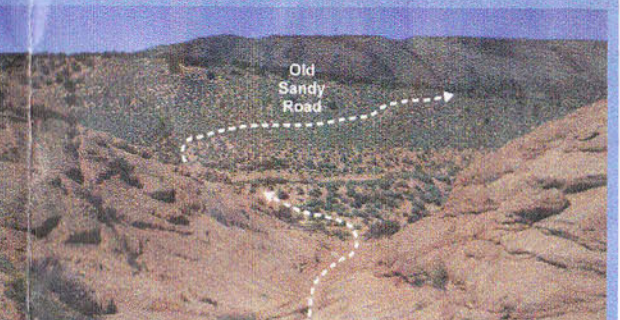
- Proceeding along the slickrock, you will be at Point 10 when the view you see matches the Point 10 photo. The white arrow points you in the direction of the small saddle where you crossed the slickrock ridge earlier today. Continue as indicated by the white arrow and you will soon arrive at Point 11.

**Point 11 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 328° NW  
 Latitude: N 37° 00.865'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.505'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4096947  
 Easting: 410291



- At Point 11 you are closer to the small saddle as noted in the Point 11 photo. Go to the left side (south) of the middle of this saddle and you will be at Point 12.

**Point 12 Photo ⇒**  
 Azimuth: 268° W  
 Latitude: N 37° 00.925'  
 Longitude: W -112° 00.540'  
 UTM Zone 12  
 Northing: 4097059  
 Easting: 410240



- From Point 12 you will see the old sandy road to the west. Descend the slickrock ridge as shown in the Point 12 photo, cross the sandy wash and get back on the old road as indicated by the white arrow. From here there are no more photos, just a verbal description on how to get back to the trailhead.

- Travel northwest along the road until the road brings you back to Coyote Wash.
- Turn left into the wash and travel upstream until you are directed onto a dirt foot path which will lead you back to the walk-thru gate.
- After the gate, you will continue on the foot path until you return to the wash and then cross the wash onto the dirt foot path back to House Rock Valley Road and Wire Pass Trailhead.
- Be sure to sign out at the trailhead register at the edge of the parking area.
- Have a safe trip to your next destination!

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