

BADGER CREEK LOOP

FORESTED • BRYCE CANYON-LIKE SCENERY • WILDLIFE

1.5 Hour Ride • 25 Miles Long • 18 MPH Average Speed

This loop originates on the northwest side of Tropic Reservoir. From the trailhead, head south along the west shoreline forest road (091). At the south end of the reservoir, turn right (west). The route follows Badger Creek, and for the first several miles is the same as Blue Fly (King Creek) Loop. About 4 miles up the route you will come to the turnoff to Blue Fly. Continue west on Badger (109).

The loop is about 25 miles around, and takes approximately 1.5 hours, averaging 18 MPH. The entire route is suitable for ATVs, but the section marked "ATV Only" near the viewpoints is very narrow and caution should be used. Larger vehicles should go down Skunk Creek (233), cross the East Fork Road to the East Side Connector, head south to the Blubber turnoff, then up Blubber Creek (211) to the Right Fork of Blubber Creek (106). At the top, rejoin the Badger Creek Loop. Other than this short section, the rest is a normal trail. If you get to this spot and decide you can't make it, take the alternate route.

The main loop will take you along the western side of the Paunsaugunt Plateau, with scenery similar to Bryce Canyon, although it is not part of the National Park. (ATVs, UTVs and OHVs are NOT permitted inside Bryce Canyon National Park). The trail follows the rim and there are several spots where a short walk can access scenic viewpoints. The trail descends along the Left Fork of Blubber Creek (211).

When you come to East Fork Road, cross the road and ride north along the east side of the canyon. Just before Tropic Reservoir, cross the East Fork Road again, and return along the west shoreline road to the trailhead. Watch for wildlife along this trail.

