

# CAIRN STONE ADVENTURE TOURS

## DEVIL'S LAKE TEST HIKE

**TO:** Utah Trekkers & Training Partners  
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## DEVIL'S LAKE TEST HIKE DATE: SAT, JUNE 12



Due to interest from several of our Cairn Stone vets, I am organizing several hikes at a very popular Cairn Stone destination – Devil's Lake State Park. Devil's Lake State Park is located just outside Baraboo, Wisconsin and is 282 miles and about 5 hours drive from the Michiana area. Because of the pandemic, I am not organizing a bus trip this year and everyone interested will be on their own as far as transportation and lodging. This will serve as an official TEST HIKE on our first round. Several Cairn Stone hikers are considering doing the *Badass Doubleheader* which includes the other TEST HIKE on our first round – the *Jordan River Valley* – the following weekend. [NOTE: Test Hikes are only required for those planning to hike the *West Rim Trail* or the *Top Down Narrows* hikes at Zion National Park. It's a destination hike for everyone else.]

**TIME: 9:00 to 9:30AM** Social distance start at Parfrey's Glenn.

**NOTE:** I will attempt to orchestrate parking so that pairs of hikers can spot one car at the finish and take another car to the start. For example I know that Riley's and Crouch's are going so they can meet at the finish at about 8:45AM and then take one car to the start at the other end of the lake. I will try to work this out for everyone coming and I will also shuttle people back to their cars that need it.

**COURSE:** This course is a very worthy test hike site. It is beautiful, challenging, and it will give participants a good feel for where they are in their training for a challenging Zion hike. Maps complete with narrative will be available at reception and at the start. The hike distances are listed below:

<u>DISTANCE</u>	<u>HOF</u>	<u>YOUR UTAH HIKES</u>
17.8 miles	7 - 8 ½	West Rim & Top Down Narrows (Zion)
<del>45.0 miles</del>	<del>5—6 ½</del>	<del>Deadhorse Point (Canyonlands)</del>
9.1 miles	N/A	Wonderful shorter Utah hikes
2.6 miles	N/A	Wonderful shorter Utah hikes

**CHECK POINTS:** There will be three checkpoints on the 17.8 mile course. At each checkpoint the TEST HIKE candidate will have his/her conditions monitored and awarded a colored backpack tag indicating success in reaching that point on the course.

**EQUIPMENT:** I will conduct a daypack inspection at Parfrey's Glenn and award the first tag prior to the hike. Your daypack should be packed as it will need to be for your longest Utah hikes. Use the checklist on the *Lecture Notes* page. Equipment needed for the test hike includes a well packed day pack, hiking shoes, performance underwear, shirts and pants,

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rain jackets, electrolytes and trekking poles. The trekking poles should have rubber tips available. Cell phones are also a good idea, but two way radios may work better (we will use channel 7.7) and is good practice for remote areas on our Utah hiking tour.

**RECEPTION:** I will host a reception on **Friday evening from 5:30 to 6:30PM** at the Baymont Hotel West in Madison. Traditionally this has been our host hotel and this is where I will be staying. Their rates presently are \$72.00 (608-831-7711). The Baymont is about 25 miles south of Devil's Lake.

**COSTS:** There is no cost for Cairn Stone hikers [Utah trekkers & 2021 Training Partners]. Guests may participate for a charge of \$30.00 per person.

**DIRECTIONS:** Devil's Lake, Wisconsin  
North Shore parking lot (finish) North Shore Road, Baraboo, WI  
South Shore parking lot (start) South Park Road, Baraboo, WI

**TEST HIKE SHIRTS:** Attractive long sleeve tech shirts commemorating all three TEST HIKES will be provided to Utah trekkers and available to Training Partners and guests at cost (\$13.00). These are available in both men's and women's sizes.

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### 2021 DEVIL'S LAKE DECLARATION & TECH SHIRT ORDER FORM

NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_ MEN'S S M L XL  
\_\_\_\_\_ WOMEN'S S M L XL

HIKING DISTANCE(S) \_\_\_ 17.8 \_\_\_ 9.1 \_\_\_ 2.6

STATUS: Utah Trekker \_\_\_ (\$0) 2021 Training Partner \_\_\_ (\$0) Guest hiker \_\_\_ (\$30)

SHIRTS: UTAH TREKKERS \_\_\_ shirt(s) @ \$0  
TRAINING PARTNERS/GUESTS \_\_\_ shirt(s) @ \$13.00

CELL PHONE(S) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL(S) \_\_\_\_\_

**ORDER DEADLINE: MAY 29, 2021** (I will order shirts for **all 3 Test Hikes** June 2, 2021)

AMT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check payable to: Cairn Stone Adventure Tours

MAIL TO: Ron Gunn, 142 Conifer Trail, Dowagiac, MI 49047

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