Utah / Southwest / Colob Canyon

Middle Fork Taylor Creek

DISTANCE: 5.2 miles ELEVATION GAIN: 1400 feet ROUTE TYPE: Out & Back

Wonderful trail with lots of creek crossings, and a beautiful arc in the wall of the canyon that fills you with awe. We did this trail after finding an hour + wait for shuttles at Zion on Labor Day weekend. A park ranger recommended it as an alternative and it didn't disappoint. Experienced and beginners will enjoy lack of crowds, easy pace and bountiful beauty. We endured a downpour, thunderstorm, rising waters and lots of mud and I enjoyed every minute.

This is an easy-moderate, beautiful trail that is kind of Zion-in-miniature. You get high peaks, a deep canyon chiseled by water, an upstream hike to majestic red arches, and, beyond the arches, a narrow but very pretty waterfall. Like most trails in the Zion Wilderness, traffic on the trail isn't particularly heavy. Recommended.

