



## Trail 10 -Wolf Creek Canyon

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Distance:** 4.25 miles out-and-back

**Difficulty:** Moderate

**Trailhead:** a white gate. No signage

**Elevation:** Start 6020'; head of canyon 6996'

**Avalanche:** none along route

**Map:** Huntsville, UT 7.5' quadrangle

**GPS Coordinates:** Head of Wolf Creek canyon 12 T 0432752/4579991

**Dogs:** Allowed

**Introduction:** The Wolf Creek Canyon trail follows a road built during the establishment of Powder Mountain ski resort. An easement has been granted for public use of this road, but private property sits to both sides. It is not a highly traveled area, so wild life sightings and a bit of solitude are possible. The trail gives a moderate climb up the mountain for clear, open views down into Liberty and the valley below. This trail is worth doing just for the nice winding climb back into the trees and the resulting view.

**How to Get There:** From Salt Lake head north for 30 or so miles and take the 12<sup>th</sup> St. Ogden exit (#344). Turn left at the light off the exit onto 12<sup>th</sup> St. Follow 12<sup>th</sup> St. for 9.7 miles. Turn left over the dam toward Powder Mountain. The trail begins 8.2 miles up this road, just past the gates used to close off the road during bad winter conditions. There is a small pull out for parking.

**Trail Description:** Look for the trail/summer road off the west side of the road, just past the winter gates (they most likely will not be closed across the road). A metal gate blocks the summer road and this is where the trail begins. Because the route follows a well-established road, even when covered with snow the route is easily distinguishable. The trail has an even but consistent climb. The remoteness of the trail increases as you progress deeper into the mountains and farther from the road. Watch for the open views of the town of Liberty below. The road leads to the base of steep mountains as it concludes at the head of the canyon and slowly becomes undefinable. Rather than heading down into the canyon below you, turn and exit the same way you came in. Because the canyon below sits at the base of these mountains, it's a prime avalanche trap. Following the trail back the way you came also allows a revisit of the views of Liberty below. Keep an eye out for animal tracks in the snow. The remoteness of the trail means you're likely to see at least their signature hoof and paw prints.