



A look at the arch from the ground up.

Eagle photos/Angel Carpenter



Daniel and Will Carpenter wind up the hike following the trail past other rock formations after exploring Arch Rock.



Daniel Carpenter pauses under Arch Rock. The trail to the rock formation is just over a half-mile round-trip.

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No matter how the arch was created, the view is stunning — a hidden

gem in the forest.

My family enjoyed exploring both sides of the arch, and my agile teen climbed to the top for a bird's-eye view.

The winding uphill climb to Arch Rock is definitely worth the

journey, and I'm sure we'll share it with friends and family in the future.

To reach this geological treasure, travel about 12 miles east from John Day on Highway 26, and turn left (north) on County Road 18, also

called Keeney Forks Road. Continue approximately nine miles to Four Corners, which is Forest Road 36, and turn right. This road is gravelled, but accessible by car. Travel about nine miles north to Forest Road 3650/468 (clearly marked

Arch Rock), and turn right. Traveling a short distance, after passing over Camp Creek bridge, the brown metal trailhead sign, "Arch Rock Trail 258," will be seen at the left.

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