

Hi Everyone,

As previously announced, the April field trip will be to Page, AZ on Saturday April 23.

Tentative Plan

Drive up either Friday afternoon, April 22 or very early Saturday morning. Page is approximately a 4-hour drive from Phoenix. More like 4.5 hours if you drive slow or live in the East Valley. 5 hours if both apply to you. If you have Friday off for Good Friday, I'd recommend driving up Friday afternoon.

Saturday morning through mid afternoon

Meet at Antelope Canyon at 10:00am (this is one of the rare places where shooting mid-day is best)

PLEASE NOTE

We will try and shoot the upper and lower canyons but please be aware that Upper Antelope is typically very crowded making it extremely difficult to shoot in without getting people in your photos. Also the cost is more for upper. \$23 plus \$5 for Navajo Park fee the last time I was there. It might be a little less crowded in April than in the summer but it's Easter weekend so I wouldn't count on it. As a result, some may opt just to shoot the lower canyon...especially if they've already been in the upper canyon.

Splitting the Group

If we have more than 10 club members attending this field trip, we will split the members so half are in Upper while the other half are in Lower. It's just too tight for all of us to be in one canyon with all of our tripods at the same time.

What to plan for

Also, note that Lower involves a lot of climbing on steep ladders and a lot of squeezing through very tight spaces. This is NOT the trip for you if you are uncomfortably climbing ladders or claustrophobic. We'll want to make sure that everyone attending this trip has signed the club release/waiver. If you are a new member and have not signed that, please let us know.

Saturday Evening

The plan is to shoot sunset somewhere in the area on Saturday evening at a location TBD. It will either be at an overlook of Lake Powell or near Water Holes Canyon just a few miles South of Page. Nearby Horseshoe Bend is an option for people on Saturday after Antelope canyon or Sunday mid-morning before heading home.

RSVP

Please let me know if you are planning to go ASAP so we can get a count and plan accordingly.

Hotel Reservations

Also, you will want to make hotel reservations ASAP as well. You are welcome to stay wherever you want but we typically like to stay at the Days Inn there. It's better than most Days Inns. It's only about 10-12 years old and I noticed that they were recently renovating it already when there last fall.

Thanks, Mark, Henk and Ron.

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