

## AZTEC REGION SIMON CANYON

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**NM-238** (Map #1)



Type: Alcove Arch  
Classification: Minor  
Recorder: Larry Beck  
Date: 2010 May  
Span: 12 ft  
Height: Not Recorded  
Separation: 2 ft  
Latitude: 36.846357  
Longitude: -107.659179



**NM-308** (Map #2)



Type: Pothole Arch  
Classification: Minor  
Recorder: Peter Jamieson  
Date: 2012 May  
Span: 10 ft  
Height: Not Recorded  
Separation: N/a  
Latitude: 36.834244  
Longitude: -107.666274



**NM-653** (Map #3)



Type: Pillar Arch  
Classification: Minor  
Recorder: Edward Kotyk  
Date: 2013 May  
Span: 4 ft  
Height: 2 ft  
Separation: N/a  
Latitude: 36.833634  
Longitude: -107.665065



**NM-654** (Map #4)



Type: Pothole Arch  
Classification: Miniature  
Recorder: Edward Kotyk  
Date: 2013 May  
Span: 1.8 ft  
Height: 2 ft  
Separation: N/a  
Latitude: 36.835975  
Longitude: -107.664916



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**NM-655 (Map #5)**



Type:	Irregular Arch
Classification:	Miniature
Recorder:	Edward Kotyk
Date:	2013 May
Span:	3 ft
Height:	2.5 ft
Separation:	N/a
Latitude:	36.828031
Longitude:	-107.661491



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## RANKING



Un-impressive in size or appearance. Not worth a hike.



Ordinary in size or appearance. Probably not worth the hike.



Standard in size and appearance. If in the area, maybe include it in the hike.



Exceptional either in size, appearance or photographically. Worth a hike.



Awesome in size, appearance, or photographically. A Must See!

## ACCESSIBILITY



Can be seen from the road.



Easy Hike: Within 200 ft, relatively level ground.



Moderate Hike: Within 500 ft, may include slopes or hills.



Strenuous Hike: Within 1,000 ft, varied terrain may require minor climbing.



Very Strenuous Hike: Greater than 1,000 ft, steep slopes, climbing involved.

## SITE ETIQUETTE

The arches are hundreds to thousands of years old. Some are very fragile and irreplaceable and your help is needed to preserve them for future generations to enjoy.

- Do not climb on the tops of arches.
- Pack out your trash.

## TRAVEL ADVISORIES

- Maps and directions are for information only and are provided "as is" without warranty or any representation of accuracy, or timeliness of completeness.
- A 4-wheel drive, high clearance vehicle is highly recommended, with a full tank of gas.
- Pack a lunch and bring lots of water.
- Check the weather before heading out. Roads may become impassable when wet.
- Do not cross any washes that have water running in them. You may get stuck or swept away.
- The roads used to access the arch locations are oil & gas field roads. Be aware of large trucks and keep to the right of the road on hills and blind corners.
- Cell phone service is not available in some areas.
- Visit these arches at your own risk. The BLM, the City of Aztec Visitor Center and their employees are not responsible for injuries or damages to personal property.

## REPORT VANDALISM

- Report any vandalism to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) hot line at 505-564-7600.

All photos courtesy of Edward Kotyk.

(NM-###) is the arch numbering system used by Larry Beck, for the Natural Arch and Bridge Society (NABS).

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