

DEATH VALLEY DECEMBER 2016 TRIP OVERVIEW

Day 1: Funeral Slot Canyon Area (Funeral Mountains)

View from above of some narrows in the second major (northern) side canyon of Funeral Slot Canyon (the one just past the main Funeral Slot, which is actually a side canyon of a more major canyon that I'm calling Funeral Slot Canyon—this second side canyon is the side canyon that has the extremely narrow entrance):



Nice narrows in the main Funeral Slot Canyon:



Four photos of tight narrows in a small side canyon off of the main Funeral Slot (on the southeast side, just after entering the main slot):



Day 2: Upper Narrows of the canyon just north of Echo Canyon (Funeral Mountains)

Tall walls in the upper narrows of this canyon:



Impressive boulder chockstone in the upper narrows of this canyon:



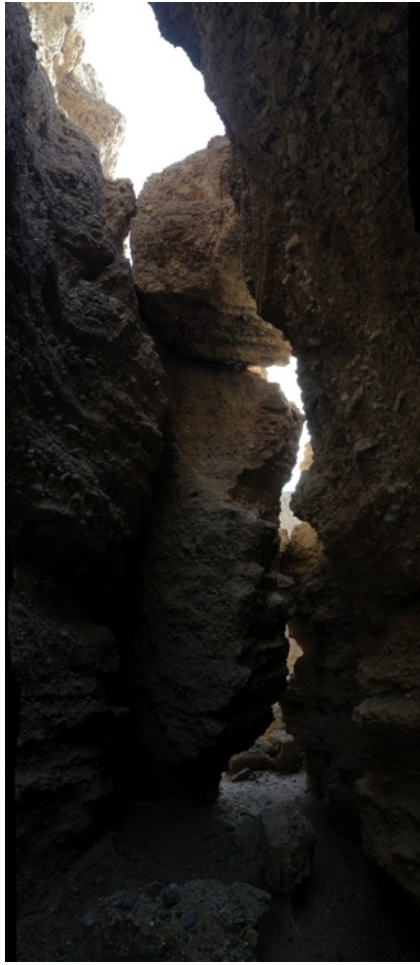
Three small bridge-like formations in a different fork of this canyon:



Day 3: Lower "More Slots" Canyon, and the small drainage just south of Funeral Slot Canyon (Funeral Mountains)

Three photos of narrows in the first northern side-slot of the "More Slots" Canyon, which is the first major canyon south of Funeral Slot Canyon (note the two different chockstones wedged between the canyon walls in the last two photos):





Shallow narrows in the small drainage just south of Funeral Slot Canyon:



Day 4: "More Slots" Canyon again, and another small drainage between this canyon and Funeral Slot Canyon (Funeral Mountains)

Narrows in the upper part of the first northern side-slot of the "More Slots" Canyon, past the major impasse in this slot:



False natural tunnel in the area between the "More Slots" Canyon and Funeral Slot Canyon:



Day 5: Hole-in-the-Wall road area (windy day short hike) (Funeral Mountains)

Shallow narrows in an area near the Hole-in-the-Wall road:



Day 6: Canyons 1 and 2 (Cottonwood Mountains)

We first checked out Canyon 2. Here is a photo of one of the nice arches in this canyon:



This is a "Devils Hot-Tub"-like formation:



Some short narrows past a minor dryfall (tall but slanted):



The final major impasse:



Nice arch to the right of the start of the dryfalls in Canyon 1:



Day 7: Tramway Canyon (Black Mountains)

Mining relic which likely was placed in this location in the canyon:



Interesting rock in the canyon:



Nearby cairn, perhaps marking an old mining claim:



Day 8: Near Backthrust Canyon, and Kit Fox Hills area (Grapevine Mountains)

Narrows and hoodoos in a small wash near Backthrust Canyon:



Slot-like canyon in the Kit Fox Hills area:



Day 9: Ridges North of Hellfire Canyon, and view into a northern side canyon of Hellfire Canyon (Black Mountains)

Panorama with the upper part of a northern side canyon of Hellfire Canyon on the left, and where this side canyon joins the main canyon visible on the right:

