

This is where we ascended the ridge north of the canyon.



Panorama looking towards the entrance to Funeral Slot Canyon (center of photo), with the entrance to "More Slots" Canyon on the far left, and the ridge we would be following to the far right.



Looking down at the canyon and back out towards Furnace Creek from here.



The ridge was narrower than I'd expected, and the south side was more sheer.



Finally we finished crossing the narrowest section of ridge and reached a flat area. Here is a panorama looking up-canyon. Notice that the first side-slot we checked out is to the right in this photo, and the main side-slot is left of center.



Looking out at the area between this ridge and Funeral Slot Canyon. The most interesting things to still explore near here are probably in the area seen in this photo, especially as it currently doesn't show up well on Google Earth.



I had planned to access the middle section of "More Slots" Canyon from this ridge, but we were stopped by this heavily eroded, slippery section to cross. What is not seen in this photo is the steep dropoffs on both sides of the ridge here.



So, we turned around and retraced our steps back along the ridge and back down into the main canyon, with the plan to check out one of the minor drainages between this canyon and Funeral Slot Canyon.



As soon as we could easily exit the "More Slots" Canyon wash (since it was too steep and slippery to descend on the north side of the ridge on which we had been hiking), we crossed over the ridge into the next wash up.



From here, we followed the wash seen in the center of this photo up into the hills.



This is the entrance to this "canyon."



I had seen a potential narrow section in this canyon on Google Earth, but I was not able to determine from the images how deep or just how narrow the canyon is there.



The first narrow section was just a narrow turn, and the canyon opened up a little after that.



The other narrow section is narrower than the first.



Rounding a nice bend in the canyon. The narrows in this canyon are nowhere close to as nice as the narrows in nearby Funeral Slot Canyon, or in the canyon just north of Echo Canyon which we had explored the previous year, but they are still interesting to check out.



Nice overhang in this narrow section of canyon.



The narrows here aren't as deep as I'd expected from the Google Earth imagery.



However, the canyon walls are surprisingly curved.



Here the narrows are getting shallower, and I expected them to end soon.



The canyon forms a narrow channel at the end of the narrows; here is the upper end of this narrow channel.



I climbed up on the hillside just above the narrow channel to get a view up-canyon. Photos of the other side of the two hills seen in the background in this photo can be found in my report on the upper part of More Slots Canyon, from December 2015.



The canyon has one more narrow corner before opening up into a wide wash.



Just past the end of the narrows, we spotted this cairn in the canyon wash. I'm not sure if it was built by hikers, perhaps exploring this wash after hiking Funeral Slot Canyon (or when looking for it), or if it is older than that.



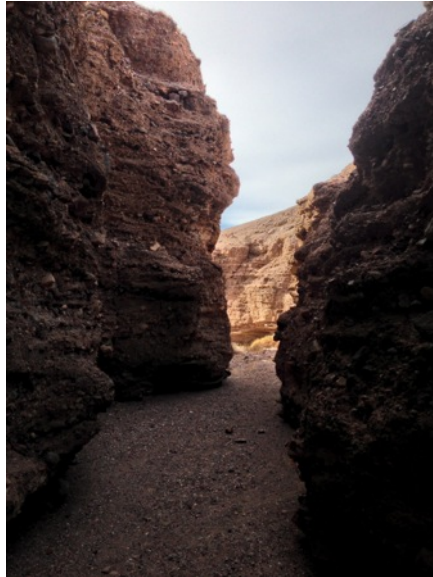
Looking down-canyon at the valley, and across at the Panamint Mountains, from here.



At this point, since it was starting to get late in the afternoon, we decided to head back down-canyon. The lighting in the narrows was quite interesting on the hike back, and I was able to get some good iPhone HDR photos by shading the camera lens from the sun.



Here are two photos of the single most impressive bend in the canyon, where the walls are the tallest and the canyon is the narrowest.



This is an interesting rock we found in the canyon wash.





Another view towards the Panamint Mountains from near the mouth of this small drainage.



Panorama on our way back to where this wash joins the wash draining from the "More Slots" Canyon.



Looking over towards "More Slots" Canyon and the ridge we hadn't been able to successfully ascend.



This is part of the white cliff which separates the "More Slots" Canyon wash and the washes coming from the drainages between this canyon and Funeral Slot Canyon.



There is an interesting water-carved chute in this cliff, where water appears to drain from the top of the cliff down a crack which widens substantially in the middle.



One last panorama from here, looking towards the minor drainages between Funeral Slot Canyon and "More Slots" Canyon (to the right in this photo).

