This is where the left fork begins to get narrower:



The left fork forks again here, with the side canyon that we explored briefly first going off to the left and the more major canyon to the right:



The side canyon looks to enter some narrows here:



However, it proceeds as in the photo below, being steep with crumbly dryfalls:



So, we headed back down to check out more of the main canyon:



Looking back at the upper reaches of the side canyon from a workaround of a small dryfall in the main canyon:



The canyon looks like this for much of the distance we explored it:



There were a few of these small arches along the canyon:



Then, we rounded a corner and saw this interesting rock window:





It's hard to determine how this formation was created, but it may be water-carved considering its position, where water may have been forced between the rocks seen in the center of the photo (its not too far above the canyon floor at the top of the dryfall, as can be seen in this photo):



Looking down through this formation from above:



It's relatively solid rock but is of the typical rock in the Tucki area:



One last photo of this very interesting formation before we continue up-canyon:



There were little "rock islands" in the wash, with arches in some of them:



There were also a lot of these stretched-pebble like formations:



Continuing up-canyon, we observed that instead of steep canyon or dryfalls there were instead multiple rock "slides", which were easy to walk up:



Then, around a corner, we began to enter a narrower and taller-walled section of the canyon:



We enjoyed the shade in the canyon here as it was getting to be a hot day:



We were guessing that we'd get to see some nice narrows up ahead:



This side canyon dropped in from the left:



We soon reached the entrance to the nice narrows we had been expecting to see:



The canyon opened up briefly:



Then, we saw the beginning of the narrows:



The narrows here were shorter and steeper than other narrows in canyons in this area; however, the rock formations were different than those in the Black Point Canyons and also not quite the same as in the nearby Stretched Pebble Canyon, making it a more unique hike:



There is this dryfall just around the first corner of the <u>narrows</u> (it isn't nearly as steep as it looks here):



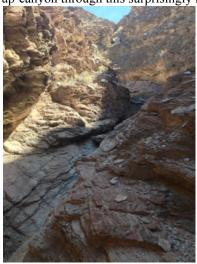
Looking down and out of a section of the narrows:



This was a very interesting part of the narrows, with the tall sculpted walls:



Continuing up-canyon through this surprisingly nice narrow section:







Then, all too soon, we encountered this impasse:



Looking back out at the Cottonwood Mountains from here:



There probably is a way to bypass this impasse, or perhaps climb it, but as it was getting to be quite hot we decided to head back down-canyon from there. More stretched pebbles:



Four more photos of our return trip through the best part of these narrows:





Heading back through the "pre-narrows":





Two very small rock windows near one of the slanted dryfalls:





Looking down-canyon; the point seen in the background, just below the Cottonwoods, is a high point near where we descended into the canyon:



This flower seemed to be growing right out of the rock:



Passing by the interesting group of rock formations:





As it was getting hot out in the sun, we decided to descent the small canyon between the two ridges that we had hiked in our two trips to this canyon (this small canyon can be seen left of center in the photo, with the main canyon just right of center):



Looking back up at where we had just been hiking:



Panorama of this canyon from the ridge (better sun angle than we'd had earlier in the morning):



Shell fossil in a rock on the ridge:



The canyon wasn't as narrow as we had expected, but it was cooler than being up on the ridge:



The next six photos show the lower part of this small canyon, which was the narrowest part:







Exiting this short canyon:



There was what appeared to be a very narrow slot near the mouth of this canyon; however, it ended shortly:



Looking back at our route down:



Arriving back at the road, it had gotten quite hot, so we decided to head back to Stovepipe:



Looking back at this canyon:



After it had cooled off later in the evening, we took a few photos around Stovepipe:



Tucki Mountain always seems to be very photogenic from near Stovepipe in the evening light:

