

**1 Save for Later**

**Labyrinth Canyon 3,400 feet**  
Labyrinth was once Glen Canyon's most storied slot canyon—a several-hundred-foot-deep, two-foot-wide gash of fluted sandstone that stretched into the bedrock beneath Rainbow Plateau. **Access:** The floor of Labyrinth will be underwater for some time, but you can experience the higher parts of the canyon by kayak—be prepared to navigate the shoulder-wide slot with your hands, not your paddle. To get there, shuttle your kayak an hour and a half by boat from Wahweap Marina (powerboat, \$230 a day; kayak, \$20 a day; 800-528-6154).

**2 Now Visible**

**Rainbow Bridge 3,657 feet**  
“It is a triumphal arch . . . [its] majesty never shared by any arch ever reared by the mightiest conquerors,” Teddy Roosevelt wrote in 1913 of Rainbow Bridge, the largest natural bridge on the planet. The 275-foot span is Glen Canyon's most visited landmark and a definite must-see, but expect pontoon boat tours, not wilderness. **Access:** Aramark offers trips (\$107; 800-528-6154) from Wahweap Marina.

**3 Now Visible**

**Anasazi Canyon 3,560 feet**  
In Anasazi Canyon, hikers face a tough choice: Follow the left fork to stand beneath the recently emerged Lehi Bridges (two spans stacked back-to-back above the canyon floor) or take the right to see hanging gardens, recovering desert flora, and a hidden waterfall. **Access:** Shuttle your kayak two and a half hours by boat from Bullfrog Marina (powerboat, \$230 a day; kayak, \$20 a day; 800-528-6154).

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**Hidden Passage Canyon 3,480 feet**  
Hidden Passage got its name from the swooping sandstone fins that hide the entrance to a cavernous rock amphitheater—once a favorite studio of Eliot Porter and other notable photographers. **Access:** Until it's revealed, visitors can paddle among the sculpted walls at the top of the passage. To get there, shuttle your kayak two and a half hours by boat from Bullfrog Marina (powerboat, \$230 a day; kayak, \$20 a day; 800-528-6154).

**5 Now Visible**

**Davis Gulch 3,580 feet**  
Davis Gulch is a poster child for the return of Glen Canyon. Below the gulch's La Gorce Arch—a popular kayak destination until two years ago—young cottonwoods mingle with white moonflowers as the rich canyon environment reasserts itself. **Access:** Escalante Canyon Outfitters visits Davis Gulch as part of its Glen Canyon One tour (\$995; [www.ecohike.com](http://www.ecohike.com)), a five-day camping trip that explores the recovered canyons near the Escalante River.

**6 Coming this Spring**

**Gregory Natural Bridge 3,551 feet**  
At 177 feet wide, Gregory Natural Bridge is second in size only to Rainbow Bridge, the world's largest, 25 river miles farther south. Impressive, yes, but even more so are the canyons behind Gregory that will have been sealed off until this spring. Once the water drops to 3,552 feet, kayakers will be able to paddle beneath the span and rediscover the uncharted passages beyond. **Access:** Shuttle your kayak one hour by boat from Bullfrog Marina (powerboat, \$230 a day; kayak, \$20 a day; 800-528-6154).

**7 Coming this Spring**

**Cathedral in the Desert 3,551 feet**  
“Putting water in the Cathedral in the Desert was like urinating in the crypt of St. Peter's,” said the now deceased Sierra Club President David Brower in 1971. Indeed, the Cathedral is Glen Canyon's most hallowed landmark, a majestically curved amphitheater punctuated with a sparkling waterfall and lush hanging gardens. In March visitors will likely be able to walk into the Cathedral for the first time in four decades. **Access:** Groups from the Glen Canyon Institute ([www.glenecanyon.org](http://www.glenecanyon.org)) will visit the Cathedral on its three- (\$170) and five-day (\$200) clean-up camping trips.

**8 Coming this Spring**

**Moqui Canyon 3,540 feet**  
While surveying in the 1950s, archaeologists found that Moqui Canyon had one of the greatest concentrations of Anasazi ruins in Glen Canyon. Once the water drains, Moqui's cache of stone granaries and petroglyphs, many remarkably intact, will reappear. **Access:** If lake levels cooperate, the Glen Canyon Institute will offer trips to Moqui Canyon this summer and fall (\$550; [www.glenecanyon.org](http://www.glenecanyon.org)).

**ADVENTURE**  
**Glen Canyon, Born Again**

FIVE YEARS OF DROUGHT HAVE FORCED LAKE POWELL INTO A **FULL-BLOWN RETREAT**, HOW LUCKY CAN WE GET?

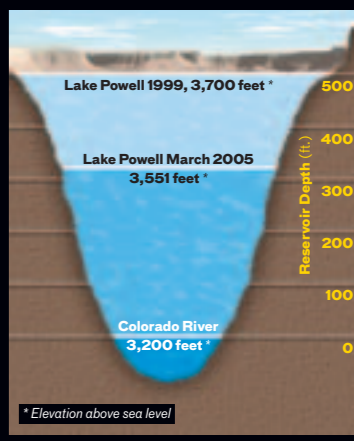


**8 To Bullfrog Marina (12.5 miles) and Moqui Canyon (17 miles)**

**How to Rediscover Glen Canyon**

To witness the reemerging wonders of Glen Canyon, pick an iconic site shown on this map and note its elevation. Then track the water level of Lake Powell (posted daily on the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's site: [www.usbr.gov](http://www.usbr.gov)). If the water dips below your site's elevation, pack your bags and go where no one has gone in 42 years.

**MAPPING BY LEVELS**  
This map is the first of its kind and was created by combining current and pre-Lake Powell data to approximate the past, present, and projected water levels. All estimates are based on lake levels receding at the current rate.  
**3,700 feet:** Lake Powell at full capacity. It was last at this point in 1999.  
**3,551 feet:** Expected level of Lake Powell in March 2005, if trends persist.  
**3,200 feet:** The original level of the Colorado River in Glen Canyon.



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