

Biking in Borrego

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The Texas Dip

23.6 Miles







The Texas dip is a 1.1 mile wide dip in where the highway crosses through San Felipe Wash. Lots of water can flow through here during a summer flash flood but in other times, cycling across the Texas Dip is just a "must do" on any biking trip to Borrego.

From Christmas Circle go east on Palm Canyon Drive, right on DiGiorgio, left on Tilting T, right on Borrego Valley Road. At the junction turn left, towards Ocotillo Wells. The road now climbs slowly and steadily for about five miles up to the edge of San Felipe Wash, then it's down to the bottom of the dip and back up the other side. The really good parts are the nice downhills, straight and fast down into the wash from either side. On your return, when you come to the junction of the three highways go straight ahead, on Borrego Springs Road, and you will get a chance to see the sculptures that are described for the Sculpture - South Valley route.

Note that experienced riders sometimes add 15 miles to this trip by making a second loop, using Highway 78 and Yaqui Pass Road. But the road up to Yaqui Pass is very narrow, very steep, and visibility between cars and rides can be poor, with many twists and turns against the canyon walls.



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