

Sycamore Palisades

Trailhead is at end of Sycamore Canyon Road where the Dogie trail starts. Do not start along this trail. Instead, head out of parking area at western end and head out along old roadbed. As you look toward Sycamore Canyon you will head toward a large red butte to your right. This is your first destination. Follow the old road to the point at which it narrows and splits. The left fork goes down into a drainage. Take right fork past large pinyon pine and old campfire circle and head for the red butte as best you can. At large rock ledge you can leave your packs and head up to dwelling on left side.

Return to rock ledge and continue around the red butte on the right side until you are on the canyon side. Head toward the canyon and cross over to rock ledge with small mushroom rocks using foot holes carved in rocks (moki holes.) Head toward beehives and continue in front of beehives (canyon side) and find the trail that begins at the rear of the last beehive. Your destination is the rock ledge overlooking the canyon that you can see from the beehive area.

You can continue past rock ledge to square butte further along rim. This butte has ruins on top and can be climbed.

Return same way.