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Sunrise at Messa Arch, Canyonlands National Park, Utah

Dead Horse Point State Park, Adjacent to Canyonlands National Park, Utah

In last month's Newsletter I shared my visit to Canyonlands National Park (Canyonlands) in Utah. If you didn't get a chance to view last month's Newsletter and would like to, please click on the following Link:

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As introduced last month, Canyonlands is divided into three (3) distinct districts, Island in the Sky is the north district, The Needles to the south and The Maze to the remotely isolated west. Worthy of mentioning again, they are listed here in order of popularity and ease of travel, with only about 1% of the park visitors ever venturing into The Maze.

Island in the Sky is a broad and level mesa between the Colorado and Green Rivers and a 14.5-mile paved road runs the length of the mesa. This district has many viewpoints overlooking the canyons. Of course, canyons surround this mesa and require 4-wheel drive vehicles, or a boat trip down the Colorado or Green Rivers, to further explore.

The Needles is named for the red and white banded rock pinnacles located in this district. There are also many naturally sculpted rock formations and arches. Long hikes or 4-wheel drive vehicles are needed to view most of this rugged terrain.

The Maze is extremely hard to travel and navigate, requiring a 4-wheel drive vehicle and significant hiking. This district offers even the seasoned explorer a

most challenging, but amazing, experience.

I should also mention another distinct area. The Utah State Park of Deadhorse Point is adjacent to and accessible via Island in the Sky. Other than signage, you never really know you're leaving the national park. This provides a dramatic view of the Colorado River and Canyonlands. See my Featured Photograph No. 2.

Featured Photograph No. 1 of Mesa Arch is in the district of Island in the Sky and requires a short half-mile hike to reach. I slept in my vehicle this night in order to obtain a good spot for shooting the sunrise.

I hope you've enjoyed a glimpse of another one of our Country's amazing wilderness areas.

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