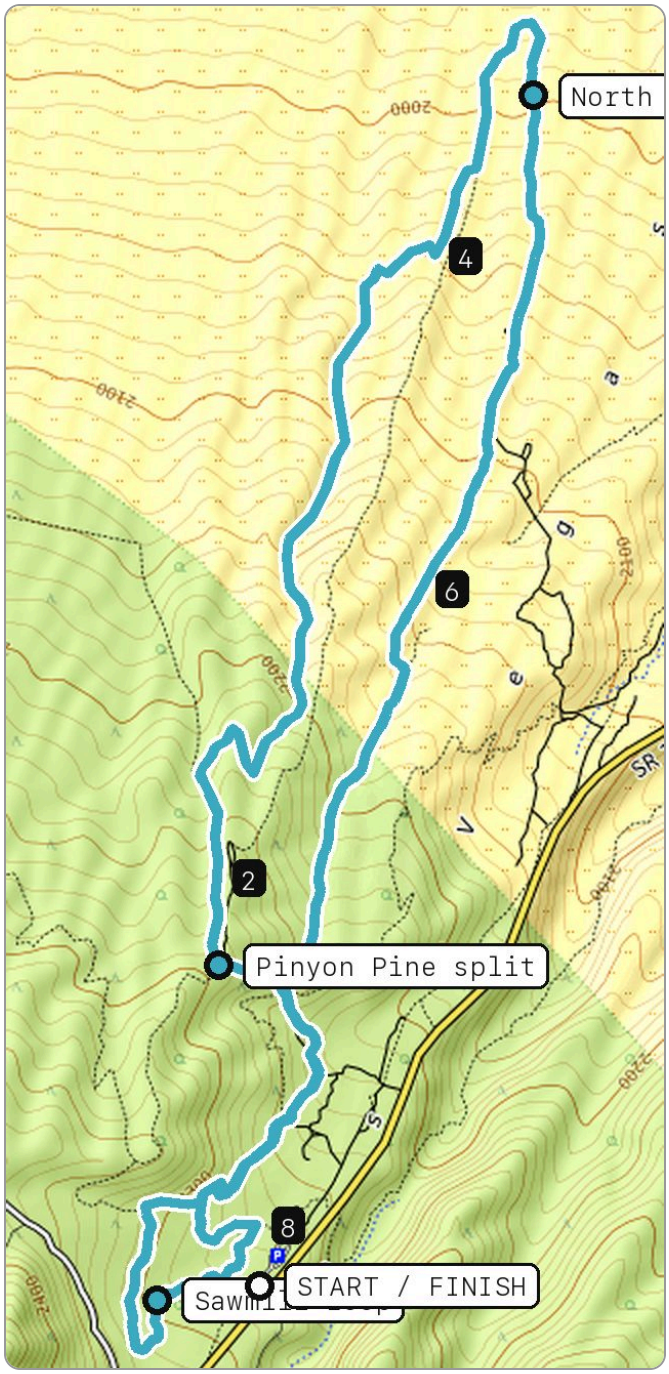
RIDE 13 · MT CHARLESTON TRAILS · ● INTERMEDIATE ·

Pinyon Spin

A loop of the Sawmill Loop, then down one leg of Pinyon Pine and back up the other through pinyon and juniper at 7,000 ft.

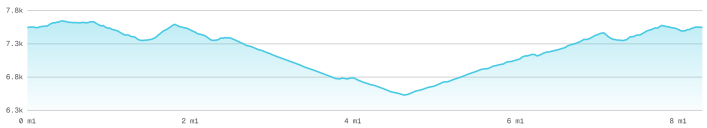
Heads up: Recent rain (0.10 in in 48 hrs). If your tires leave ruts, turn around and save it for another day.

⚠ **Not yet ridden by us.** This line was routed from OpenStreetMap trail data and hasn't been ridden end to end yet. Trail access and direction can change: check posted signs and the land manager before you ride.



8.4	1,624	7,595
MILES	FT CLIMB	FT HIGH POINT
1:25	**Low**	
EST. MOVING	CHUNK (0%)	

singletrack 88% · dirt road 11% · pavement 1%



Get the GPS file

Scan with a friend's phone, or tap below. Then open it in your ride app.

https://bsqrd-designs.com/dirt/pinyon-spin/

GETTING THERE

Park at Sawmill Trailhead (upper lot)

NV-156 Lee Canyon Rd, about 12.9 mi from US-95, Sawmill Picnic Area / Trailhead (free)

- Start and finish are the same spot. Follow the cue sheet and the arrows on the map.

CUE SHEET

0.0	Sawmill Trail SINGLETRACK via Sawmill Loop	0.9 mi
0.9	Blue SINGLETRACK via Pinyon Pine split	0.9 mi
1.8	Pinyon Pine SINGLETRACK via North tip of Pinyon Pine	5.7 mi
7.6	Blue SINGLETRACK	0.8 mi
8.4	Back at Sawmill Trailhead (upper lot)	

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Ride it clockwise: the west leg of Pinyon Pine loses about 1,000 ft heading north, and the east leg climbs it back at a steady grade. Most of the 1,600 ft of climbing is in the second half.
- Mostly smooth dirt singletrack through pinyon and juniper, with a few short loose and rocky pitches. Trail junctions are poorly signed, so load the GPX.
- Stay off the Mud Springs Loop and Red/Green trails west of the trailhead. The Forest Service map marks Mud Springs as hiking and horses only.
- Rideable roughly May through November, sometimes longer at 6,500 to 7,600 ft. Sawmill is a free day-use site with toilets and no water.

RIDE SMART

- **Water:** plan on about 1.5 L for this ride. There's none on the trail.
- **Signal is spotty.** Tell someone your route and your time back.
- **Emergency:** call 911 and say "Pinyon Spin ride, parked at Sawmill Trailhead (upper lot), Mt Charleston Trails", plus the coordinates from Locate me.
- **Wildlife:** give horses, burros and anything with horns room, and never feed them.
- **Stay on trail.** Desert crust and mountain soil take decades to heal.