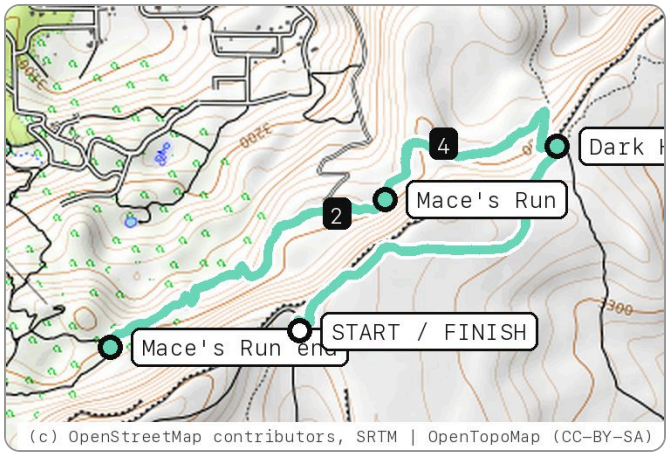
RIDE 74 · BRIAN HEAD TRAILS · INTERMEDIATE ·

Thin Air

Sidney Peak Trail along the top of the plateau, then Mace's Run out and back through the aspens at over 10,000 ft.

Not today: Snow on the ground (31 in). Soaked: 1.05 in of rain in the last 48 hrs. Riding now ruts the trail for months. Give it a few dry days. Freezing (high 33°F). Ice and frozen ruts likely.

⚠ **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.



5.8	892	11,079
MILES	FT CLIMB	FT HIGH POINT
55 min	**Low**	
EST. MOVING	CHUNK (0%)	

singletrack 99% · dirt road 1% · pavement 0%



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/thin-air/

GETTING THERE

Park at Sidney Peak trailhead (Brian Head Peak Road)

SR-143 at the Brian Head Peak Road turnoff, Brian Head, UT 84719

- Small Forest Service pullout at the road junction; no water. If it is full, park in town and add the climb on SR-143.
- Start and finish are the same spot. Follow the cue sheet and the arrows on the map.

CUE SHEET

0.0	Sidney Peak Trail SINGLETRACK	1.1 mi
1.1	Dark Hollow SINGLETRACK	0.2 mi
1.2	Mace's Run Trail SINGLETRACK via Mace's Run · Mace's Run end	3.3 mi
4.5	Dark Hollow SINGLETRACK via Dark Hollow junction	0.2 mi
4.7	Sidney Peak Trail SINGLETRACK	1.1 mi
5.8	Back at Sidney Peak trailhead (Brian Head Peak Road)	

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Everything here is above 10,000 ft. Go slower than you think, drink a lot, and get off the ridge if thunderstorms build in the afternoon.
- Mace's Run ends at the Brian Head Resort bike park. Turn around there: the park's downhill trails need a lift ticket and are ridden downhill only.
- Dark Hollow drops a long way toward Parowan from the junction. It is a shuttle ride, not part of this loop.
- Snow can sit on these trails into early summer. Check with the Cedar City Ranger District before a June trip.

RIDE SMART

- **Water:** plan on about 1 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 "Thin Air ride, parked at Sidney Peak trailhead (Brian Head Peak Road), Brian Head 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.