

Ein Akev Loop

Ein Akev Maagali

An amazing hike to an amazing spring

Closest Town **Midreshet Ben Guryon**

Difficulty **Meduim**

Length **13 km**

Duration **6-7 hours**

Recommended season **Sep - May**

Recommended time **Morning**

Getting There:

By Bus:

From Mitzpe Ramon Catch a bus to Beer Sheva or Dimona (64,160,55), or from Beer Sheva to Mitzpe Ramon. Get off at the traffic circle at Midreshet Ben Guryon. Walk to the traffic circle and turn right. If the entrance station is manned say you are going to Ein Akev, otherwise you'll be charged the entrance fee for the Ein Avdat National Park. Walk down the road and at the bottom turn left onto a dirt road and the SERPENTINOT parking lot.

By Car:

Drive to Midreshet Ben Guryon on HW 40. Turn into the entrance road and arrive at a circle. Turn right at the circle and arrive at the entrance booth to Ein Avdat Park. If the booth is manned Say you are hiking in Ein Akev, otherwise you'll be charged the fee for Ein Avdat NP. Drive down the windy road and at the bottom turn left onto a dirt road and the SERPENTINOT Campground.

Hike Description:

Starting Point: Serpentinot CG.

Finish Point: Serpentinot CG.

This hike is most suitable for people travelling by car. For the public transportation version see [EinAkev Via Avdat Ruins](#).

From the parking lot head back (west) to the meeting with the road and find the Green markers on your left (south). Follow them as they approach the cliff and climb steeply up the cliff. At the top stop and catch your breath and an amazing look at the scenery of the Zin Valley and the where the Avdat canyon and the Havarim canyons meet. The Green trail will go along the cliff for a bit and head down a gradual slop on the other side to the flat valley of Divshon. You'll pass a Bedouin camp and turn sharply right into a small gully. Carry on along the green trail for 2 more kilometers until it takes you to

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the edge of a dry waterfall (narrow ledge). From Here another 50 meters and you will look onto the Akev Wadi and your trail down. Take Follow the trail down to the signpost and climb down the ledge (a small metal foothold) to the bottom of the canyon. Turn right and walk 50 more meter to the pool.

After a cool dip and a nice rest, Head North along the blue markers, and reach the parking lot and the jeep road after 500 meters. From here you'll be walking along jeep roads all the way back, so feel free to hitchhike the rest of the way.

The Blue marked jeep road will take you down the Akev Canyon for a little over 2km, passing the designated "White plates"- MISHTAHIM LEVANIM Campground on the way. Turn left (west) along the red markers and into the Zin wadi, and walk for another 4 km along the jeep road until you arrive back at your car.

Attractions: Amazing spring, majestic view, old camel trail, Vulture sighting opportunities.