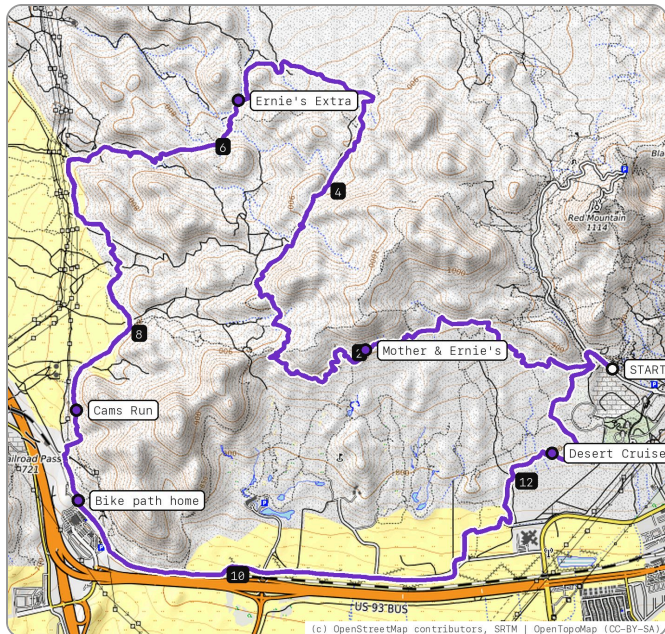


Long Way Home

Out Mother and Ernie's to the far west ridge, rip Ernie's Extra and Cams Run down to Railroad Pass, cruise back on the bike path.

Not today: Soaked: 0.81 in of rain in the last 48 hrs. Riding now ruts the trail for months. Give it a few dry days.

⚠ **Not yet rider-checked.** This line was routed from OpenStreetMap trail data and hasn't been ridden end to end yet. Cross-check turns against the trail signs or Trailforks.



14.3

MILES

2,011

FT CLIMB

3,048

FT HIGH POINT

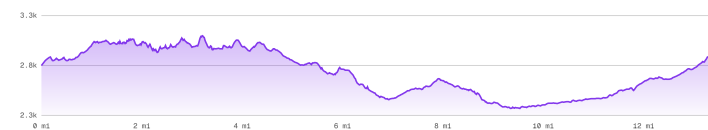
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EST. MOVING

Low

CHUNK (0%)

■ singletrack 88% ■ dirt road 3% ■ pavement 10%



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/long-way-home/>

GETTING THERE

Park at Bootleg Canyon Park trailhead

Bootleg Canyon Rd, Boulder City, NV 89005

- Free city lot at the foot of the bike park; take Yucca St north off Nevada Way and follow the Bootleg Canyon signs. No water on the trails.
- Start and finish are the same spot. Follow the cue sheet and the arrows on the map.

CUE SHEET

0.0	Bootleg Canyon Road	DIRT ROAD	0.2 mi
0.2	IMBA (Easy)	SINGLETRACK	0.9 mi
1.1	Mother & Ernie's Epic (Difficult)	SINGLETRACK	4.1 mi
	via Mother & Ernie's		
5.2	Ernie's Extra (FKA Caesar)	SINGLETRACK	3.5 mi
	via Ernie's Extra		
8.7	Cams Run	SINGLETRACK	0.9 mi
9.6	River Mountains Loop Trail	PAVEMENT	2.9 mi
	via Bike path home		
12.5	Desert Cruise	SINGLETRACK	1.6 mi
14.1	Bootleg Canyon Road	DIRT ROAD	0.1 mi
14.3	Back at Bootleg Canyon Park trailhead		

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- The first half is the same rough Mother climb as Tough Love; the payoff is the long Ernie's Extra descent (formerly Caesar), which runs southbound only.
- Cams Run has tight switchbacks; one rider-marked black-diamond alternate line is optional.
- About 2.9 mi of the return is the paved River Mountains Loop Trail along Boulder City Parkway. It is the honest price of closing the loop legally.
- No water or shade anywhere out west. This is a cool-season ride.
- Heads up: OpenStreetMap and MTB Project ride IMBA uphill, but Trailforks (checked Oct 8, 2026) lists it as downhill-primary. Climb it alert for riders coming down.

RIDE SMART

- **Water:** plan on about 2 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 "Long Way Home ride, parked at Bootleg Canyon Park trailhead, Boulder City / Bootleg Canyon", 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.