

Google cameras map popular Grand Canyon trails

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(AP)—Google and its street-view cameras already have taken users to narrow cobblestone alleys in Spain using a tricycle, inside the Smithsonian with a push cart and to British Columbia's snow-covered slopes by snowmobile.

The search giant now has brought its all-seeing eyes—mounted for the first time on a backpack—down into the Grand Canyon. The so-called trekker will showcase the most popular hiking trails on the South Rim.

It's the latest evolution in mapping technology for the company that has photographed communities in dozens of countries for its Street View feature.

Google announced the trekker earlier this year but made its first official collection of data this week at the Grand Canyon. Google still must stitch images together before making the trails available to its users.

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