

## Zion National Park (UT)



Mackenzie Pavlik was born in Heidelberg, Germany while her parents were teaching in the Department of Defense Schools. During her toddler years she moved to the Four Corners region of New Mexico...before she could learn any German! However, her love for travel has only increased and she owes this to her parents who have always encouraged experiential learning through travel. She moved to Spokane, Washington where she attended Gonzaga University and volunteered as a guide for the Gonzaga Outdoors Program, leading student trips throughout WA, ID, and MT, while earning her degree in Public Relations and a minor in Art. Highlights included studying abroad in Florence, Italy, throwing pots in the ceramics studio, and cheering on Gonzaga Basketball in the Kennel! Upon graduation, she moved back home to Farmington, New Mexico and fulfilled a dream job of being a coffee shop barista while also working as an outdoors guide at San Juan Community College. It was also a time when she hiked the Tour de Mont Blanc in

the Alps and visited her brothers in India and Mozambique, Africa. Presently, she is extremely thankful and excited to be working and living in Zion National Park as their Community Volunteer Ambassador!