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Custer State Park. All trails are uphill. Both ways.

This is the start of Trail #4.



We took Trail #4 because it would lead us to South Dakota's Little Devils Tower which, we thought, would be a nice companion piece to our visit to Wyoming's better known, and presumably much bigger, Devils Tower later this week.

Up we went. Beautiful.









We took the side trail from Trail #4 that led to Little Devils Tower. We discovered that not all trails in Custer State Park are uphill. Some are *steeply* uphill. We soon encountered a nearly vertical crevice that was filled with boulders for footholds that we only negotiated with great determination.



Just beyond the crevice was a wall that could (theoretically) be scaled using the tiny toeholds chipped in its face. We tried a few of them. Wasn't gonna happen. Silly septuagenarians!

Backtracking we discovered Trail #4 continued on to Cathedral Spires. Of course! That's where we were really going!





A good finish.

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