Rocky Mountain National Park



Hiking Trails

Hiking trails abound in Rocky Mountain National Park. Trails exist for hikers of all skill levels, from short walks to challenging wilderness excursions (permits required for all overnight wilderness trips). This brochure lists some of Rocky's most popular trails.

East Side Trails

TRAILHEAD	DESTINATION	DISTANCE ONE	DISTANCE ONE WAY		GAI
		mi	km	ft	n
Bear Lake	Bierstadt Lake	1.6	2.6	566	17.
	Emerald Lake	1.8	2.9	605	184
	Fern Lake Trailhead	8.5	13.7	1215	370
	Flattop Mountain	4.4	7.1	2849	868
	Lake Haiyaha	2.1	3.4	745	22
	Odessa Lake	4.1	6.6	1205	36
Bierstadt Lake	Bierstadt Lake	1.4	2.3	566	172
Chapin Creek	Ypsilon Mountain	3.5	5.6	2874	870
Cub Lake	Cub Lake	2.3	3.7	540	164
Deer Ridge Junction	Deer Mountain	3.0	4.8	1083	330
Fern Lake	Fern Falls	2.7	4.3	645	190
	Fern Lake	3.8	6.1	1375	41
	Odessa Lake	4.4	7.1	1865	568
	The Pool	1.7	2.7	1442	43
Finch Lake	Finch Lake	4.5	7.2	1442	43:
	Pear Lake	6.5	10.5	2112	64.
Gem Lake	Gem Lake	2.0	3.2	1090	33.
Glacier Gorge Junction	Alberta Falls	0.6	1.0	160	4
	Andrews Glacier	5.0	8.0	2460	74.
	Black Lake	4.7	7.6	1390	42
	Lake Haiyaha	3.5	5.6	980	29.
	The Loch	2.7	4.3	940	28
	Mills Lake	2.5	4.0	700	21.
	Timberline Falls	4.0	6.4	1210	36
	Sky Pond	4.6	7.4	1660	50
Longs Peak Ranger Station	Chasm Lake	4.2	6.8	2390	72
	Eugenia Mine	1.4	2.3	508	15
	Longs Peak	8.0	12.9	4855	147.
Lawn Lake	Lawn Lake	6.2	10.0	2249	68.
	Ypsilon Lake	4.5	7.2	2180	66
Lily Lake	Around lake	0.8	1.2	20	

East Side Trails, continued

TRAILHEAD	DESTINATION	DISTANCE ONE	DISTANCE ONE WAY		ELEVATION GAIN	
		mi	km	ft	m	
Rock Cut	Toll Memorial	0.5	0.8	260	79	
Sandbeach Lake	Sandbeach Lake	4.2	6.8	1971	600	
Sprague Lake	Around lake	0.5	0.8	20	6	
Twin Sisters	Twin Sisters Peak	3.7	6.0	2338	701	
Wild Basin Ranger Station	Copeland Falls	0.3	0.5	15	4	
Wild Basin Entrance	Bluebird Lake	6.0	9.7	2478	755	
	Calpyso Cascades	1.8	2.9	700	213	
	Lion Lake No. 1	7.0	11.3	2565	781	
	Ouzel Falls	2.7	4.3	950	289	
	Thunder Lake	6.8	10.9	2074	632	

West Side Trails

TRAILHEAD	DESTINATION	DISTANCE ONE	DISTANCE ONE WAY		ELEVATION GAIN	
		mi	km	ft	m	
Colorado River	Lulu City Site	3.7	5.9	350	91	
Coyote Valley	North Valley View	0.5	0.8	0	0	
East Inlet	Adams Falls	0.3	0.5	79	24	
	Lake Verna	6.9	11.1	1809	551	
	Lone Pine Lake	5.5	8.9	1494	455	
	Spirit Lake	7.8	12.6	1899	578	
Green Mountain	Big Meadows	1.8	2.9	606	185	
North Inlet	Cascade Falls	3.5	5.6	300	91	
	Lake Nanita	11.0	17.7	2240	682	
	Lake Nokoni	9.9	15.9	2240	682	
Timber Lake	Timber Lake	4.8	7.7	2060	627	

For Your Safety

High elevations can cause altitude sickness and may aggravate existing health conditions. Use caution. Take time to acclimatize to the park's high altitude before attempting strenuous hikes. Rest, drink lots of fluids, eat salty snacks, and start with easy hikes.

Thunderstorms are common in summer and are dangerous. Plan your day to be below treeline by early afternoon. If you see building storm clouds, head back to the trailhead. If caught in a lightning storm, get below treeline.

- ✓ Bring waterproof outer layers and extra layers for warmth.
- Wear a hat, sunglasses, and sunscreen. Sunlight can damage your eyes and skin, even on cloudy days.
- ✓ Pack water and snacks. Don't drink from streams or lakes without treating the water.
- ✓ Carry a map and compass or GPS. Know how to use them.
- Wear sturdy footwear with good ankle support and a treaded sole.
- ✓ Don't rely on cell phones. Many areas have no service.

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