

Devil's Slide

Allowed Uses: **Trail Length:** 0.86 miles roundtrip

Trail Rating: (starting elev. 9,742') **Total Ascent/Descent:** +455' / -240'

Directions to Trailhead/Parking: Long/Lat: -104° 55' 48" / 38° 44' 02"
At the intersection of Penrose Blvd. and Old Stage Road, turn right onto Old Stage Road and drive for about 7.9 miles. This road will eventually turn into a dirt road. Begin looking for the trailhead as you pass the Devil's Slide on the right (consisting of a very large sloping rock face which comes very close to the road). The trailhead is approximately 0.25 from this rock face (when approaching from the east). The trailhead is not marked but there may be a small cairn (stacked rocks set up as a landmark). There is no official parking area. Park safely off to the side of the road.

- Waypoints:**
- 1 @ 0.00 Mi. - Initially the trail goes up a gradual slope. Trail can be difficult to locate at times, look for cairns.
 - 1 @ 0.22 Mi. - Rock outcroppings on the left.
 - 2 @ 0.32 Mi. - Cross over a boulder field.
 - 3 @ 0.43 Mi. - Venture to rock overlook (on left) that offers fabulous views.



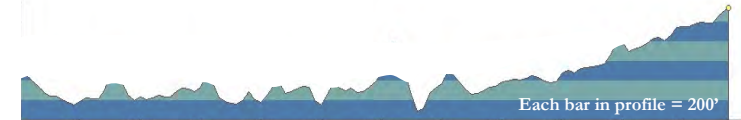
Emerald Valley Pipeline

Allowed Uses: **Trail Length:** 8.04 miles roundtrip

Trail Rating: (starting elev. 8,655') **Total Ascent/Descent:** +1,288' / -934'

Directions to Trailhead/Parking: Long/Lat: -104° 54' 27" / 38° 43' 53"
At the intersection of Penrose Blvd. and Old Stage Road, turn right onto Old Stage Road and continue for about 6.20 miles. Turn left onto Forest Road 371 (at Emerald Valley Ranch sign). Proceed for 0.45 miles to a small pullout on the right side of F.S. 371. Park here. The trailhead is 0.10 miles further down the road on the right side. A ten inch black steel pipe parallels the trail, laying on ground partially exposed, marks the trailhead.

- Waypoints:**
- P @ 0.00 Mi. - Parking.
 - T @ 0.17 Mi. - Trailhead on right (look for 10" pipe).
 - 1 @ 0.21 Mi. - Abandoned mine.
 - 2 @ 0.28 Mi. - Social trail on left.
 - 3 @ 0.32 Mi. - Intersection with driveway on left.
 - 4 @ 0.45 Mi. - Trail intersection with Mt. Vigil Trail. Go left.
 - 4 @ 0.86 Mi. - Social trail on left.
 - 5 @ 0.94 Mi. - Intersection with Ridge Trail on left.
 - 5 @ 1.40 Mi. - Social trail on left.
 - 6 @ 1.83 Mi. - Trail crosses over stone bridge.
 - 7 @ 2.41 Mi. - Trail intersection with F.S. Rd. 371. Go right.
 - 8 @ 2.48 Mi. - Gravel road on the right.
 - 9 @ 4.02 Mi. - Trail ends at Broadmoor Pipeline.



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Gray Back Peak

Allowed Uses: **Trail Length:** 3.74 miles roundtrip

Trail Rating: (starting elev. 8,746') **Total Ascent/Descent:** +910' / -393'

Directions to Trailhead/Parking: Long/Lat: -104° 54' 24" / 38° 43' 53"
At the intersection of Penrose Blvd. and Old Stage Road, turn right onto Old Stage Road and continue for about 6.20 miles. Turn left onto Forest Road 371 (at Emerald Valley Ranch sign). In 0.3 miles there is a small pull-off on the left, park here.

- Waypoints:**
- T @ 0.00 Mi. - Once on the trail it quickly branches into two trails. Take the narrow trail to the left, going up the slope. The trail on the right is a horse trail.
 - 1 @ 0.28 Mi. - First saddle (a low part of a ridge, between 2 higher points).
 - 2 @ 0.71 Mi. - High point #1.
 - 3 @ 0.91 Mi. - Second saddle.
 - 4 @ 1.24 Mi. - High point #2.
 - 5 @ 1.29 Mi. - Social trail on left, go straight.
 - 6 @ 1.57 Mi. - Third saddle.
 - 7 @ 1.87 Mi. - Summit of Gray Back Peak (elev. 9,313')



Knights Meadow

Allowed Uses: **Trail Length:** 1.72 miles roundtrip

Trail Rating: (starting elev. 9,682') **Total Ascent/Descent:** +266' / -494'

Directions to Trailhead/Parking: Long/Lat: -104° 56' 55" / 38° 43' 46"
Initially follow the trailhead/parking directions for St. Peter's Dome. Then drive about 3.59 miles further down Gold Camp Rd. and park in the Penrose/Rosemont trail parking area on the right side of the road. Then walk back the way you came from for about 0.16 miles. The trailhead is on the right (it is not marked) and can not be seen from the road due to high dirt berms.

- Waypoints:**
- T @ 0.00 Mi. - Penrose/Rosemont parking area.
 - T @ 0.12 Mi. - Trailhead.
 - 1 @ 0.86 Mi. - A large, beautiful meadow beneath Knight's Peak.



MacNeill

Allowed Uses: **Trail Length:** 5.40 miles roundtrip

Trail Rating: (starting elev. 8,475') **Total Ascent/Descent:** +952' / -664'

Directions to Trailhead/Parking: Long/Lat: -104° 53' 44" / 38° 44' 02"
At the intersection of Penrose Blvd. and Old Stage Rd. turn right (west) onto Old Stage Rd. and continue for about 5.45 miles. Park directly across from the "Old Stage Riding Stables" sign. The trailhead is across the road (on the east side of Old Stage Rd.) and starts behind the "Stage Stop Cantina" sign.

- Waypoints:**
- T @ 0.00 Mi. - This trail starts behind the Stage Stop Cantina sign.
 - 1 @ 0.05 Mi. - Intersection with old, decommissioned trail (straight), go left.
 - 2 @ 0.46 Mi. - Two short, micro-switchbacks.
 - 3 @ 0.54 Mi. - Intersection, go left (decommissioned trail is on right).
 - 4 @ 1.97 Mi. - 4-way intersection, go straight (the old Swisher Trail goes to the right).
 - 5 @ 2.04 Mi. - Ruins of a water pump (on right).
 - 6 @ 2.33 Mi. - The start of a series of switchbacks that continue until reaching the ridge.
 - 7 @ 2.58 Mi. - Ridgeline.
 - 8 @ 2.70 Mi. - Great views of Colorado Springs. The trail does continue very steeply for about another 0.4 miles, but ends prior to reaching "The Horns" at a private property sign.



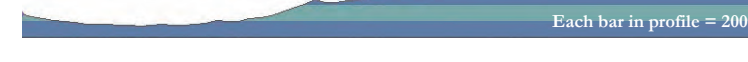
Mt. Vigil

Allowed Uses: **Trail Length:** 3.28 miles roundtrip (w/ Emerald V.P.)

Trail Rating: (starting elev. 8,655') **Total Ascent/Descent:** +1,582' / -326' (w/ Emerald V.P.)

Directions to Trailhead/Parking: Long/Lat: -104° 54' 27" / 38° 43' 53"
Follow the trailhead/parking directions for Emerald Valley Pipeline Trail. This is the trailhead for both trails. This trail goes through the Bear Trap Ranch, get permission prior to entering their property (719-632-0740). There is no access to the summit of Mt. Vigil from this trail. These trail directions end on the shoulder of Mt. Vigil.

- Waypoints:**
- P @ 0.00 Mi. - Park in pullout on right side of F.S. Rd. 371.
 - T @ 0.17 Mi. - Trailhead for Emerald Valley Pipeline. Look for ten inch steel pipe with concrete cover. Initially follow the Emerald Valley Pipeline Trail for 0.45 miles.
 - 1 @ 0.87 Mi. - Teepee campsite for Bear Trap Ranch.
 - 2 @ 0.96 Mi. - Enter Bear Trap Ranch near maintenance buildings. Walk through camp to log dining hall.
 - 3 @ 1.08 Mi. - Log dining hall on left. Proceed up stairs behind the dining hall.
 - 4 @ 1.14 Mi. - Social trail on the left goes to Inspiration Point 2.
 - 5 @ 1.54 Mi. - Intersection with social trail. Go straight following rock cairns.
 - 6 @ 1.64 Mi. - Shoulder of Mt. Vigil. There is no trail to the summit.



Ridge

Allowed Uses: **Trail Length:** 1.04 miles roundtrip

Trail Rating: (starting elev. 8,159') **Total Ascent/Descent:** +514' / -116'

Directions to Trailhead/Parking: Long/Lat: -104° 54' 46" / 38° 42' 54"
At the intersection of Penrose Blvd. and Old Stage Road, turn right onto Old Stage Road and continue for about 6.20 miles. Turn left onto Forest Road 371 (at Emerald Valley Ranch sign). Proceed for about 1.62 miles. The trailhead will be on the right side of the road just past the entrance to the Emerald Valley Ranch on the left. Safely park off to the side of the road (there is no official parking area).

- Waypoints:**
- 1 @ 0.00 Mi. - Trailhead.
 - 1 @ 0.52 Mi. - Intersection with Emerald Valley Pipeline Trail.



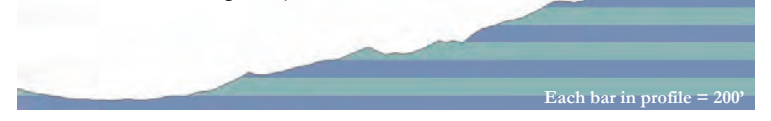
San Luis Peak

Allowed Uses: **Trail Length:** 4.12 miles roundtrip (w/ Emerald V.P. & Mt. Vigil)

Trail Rating: (starting elev. 8,655') **Total Ascent/Descent:** +2,021' / -373' (w/ Emerald V.P. & Mt. Vigil)

Directions to Trailhead/Parking: Long/Lat: -104° 54' 27" / 38° 43' 53"
Follow the trailhead/parking directions for Emerald Valley Pipeline Trail. This is also the trailhead and parking area for the Emerald Valley Pipeline Trail and Mt. Vigil. The San Luis Peak Trail initially travels on portions of both of these trails.

- Waypoints:**
- P @ 0.00 Mi. - Park in pullout on right side of F.S. Rd. 371.
 - 1 @ 0.17 Mi. - Trailhead for Emerald Valley Pipeline Trail. Look for ten inch steel pipe with concrete cover. Initially follow the Emerald Valley Pipeline Trail.
 - 2 @ 0.45 Mi. - Trail crosses Little Fountain Creek. Intersection with Mt. Vigil, go right and follow the Mt. Vigil Trail up the hill.
 - 1 @ 1.41 Mi. - Trail intersection with Mt. Vigil Trail on the left. Go straight for San Luis Peak.
 - 1 @ 1.66 Mi. - Boulder field starts here.
 - 2 @ 1.85 Mi. - Trail sign for San Luis.
 - 2 @ 2.06 Mi. - Summit of San Luis Peak (elev. 10,433').



St. Peter's Dome (Trail 621)

Allowed Uses: **Trail Length:** 1.08 miles roundtrip

Trail Rating: (starting elev. 9,278') **Total Ascent/Descent:** +285' / -77'

Directions to Trailhead/Parking: Long/Lat: -104° 54' 46" / 38° 44' 33"
At the intersection of Penrose Blvd. and Old Stage Rd., turn right (west) onto Old Stage Rd. Take Old Stage Rd. for 7.90 miles (it will eventually turn into Gold Camp Rd.). The parking area is on the right side of Gold Camp Rd. with a great view of Colorado Springs. Walk a little bit further northwest on Gold Camp Rd. to the trailhead.

- Waypoints:**
- P @ 0.00 Mi. - Parking and overlook.
 - T @ 0.03 Mi. - Walk NW on the road for a short distance to trailhead.
 - 1 @ 0.44 Mi. - At the switchback there is a sheer rock face.
 - 2 @ 0.54 Mi. - The trail ends here, prior to reaching the summit, but for those experienced with rock scrambling there is a moderately challenging rock scramble to the top.



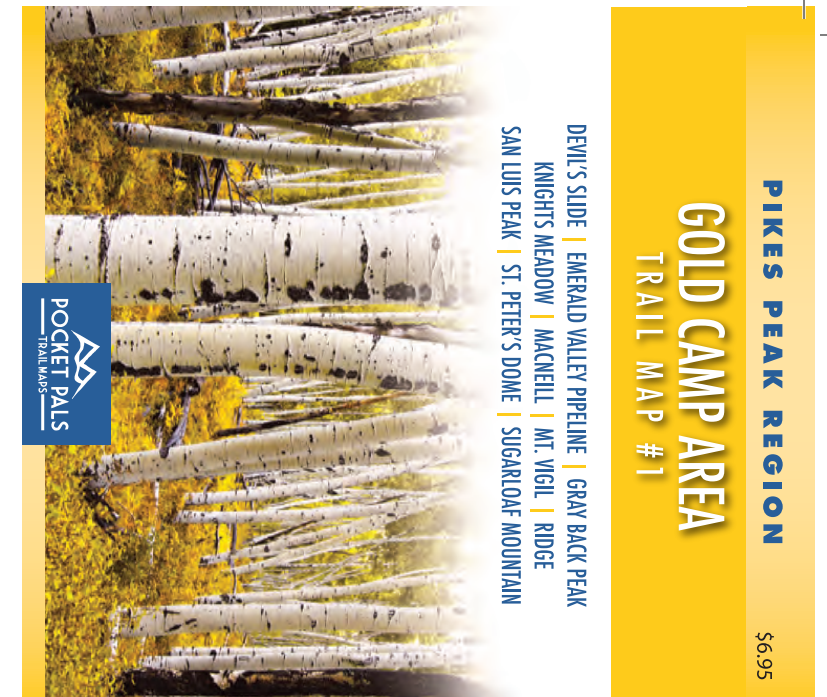
Sugarloaf Mountain

Allowed Uses: **Trail Length:** 0.56 miles roundtrip

Trail Rating: (starting elev. 9,536') **Total Ascent/Descent:** +368' / -72'

Directions to Trailhead/Parking: Long/Lat: -104° 55' 02" / 38° 44' 07"
At the intersection of Penrose Blvd. and Old Stage Rd., turn right (west) onto Old Stage Rd. Take Old Stage Rd. for about 7.40 miles (it will eventually turn into Gold Camp Rd.). Turn left onto Bear Trap Rd. and drive 0.65 miles. The trailhead and parking area are on the left, just past the gate for the ranch.

- Waypoints:**
- P @ 0.00 Mi. - Parking and trailhead.
 - 1 @ 0.24 Mi. - Tree limb shelter.
 - 2 @ 0.28 Mi. - Summit of Sugarloaf Mountain (elev. 9,633').



Driving Directions to Area:
To Old Stage Road/Gold Camp Road (in Colorado Springs) *These two roads can be very rough/bumpy at times.*
From I-25 in Colorado Springs, exit at Nevada Street and head south on South Nevada (which will become State Highway 115). Turn right onto Lake Avenue. Continue on Lake Avenue for 2.8 miles until you reach its end at the Broadmoor Hotel. Turn right onto Lake Circle and proceed 0.25 miles to its end. Turn left onto Mesa Avenue (at the roundabout) and take the first left turn onto El Pomar Road (in about 0.10 miles). Proceed along El Pomar Road (it will become Penrose Blvd. after crossing Upland Road) for 1.0 miles where it intersects with Old Stage Road. Go right onto Old Stage Rd.

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Trail Use:
The allowed trail uses for each trail are represented by trail use symbols. See the "Allowed Trail Use Key" below.

Trail Ratings:
Trail difficulty levels are subjective. The primary criteria used in determining the level of difficulty were based on the following hiking parameters: steepness of terrain, elevation gain, length of trail, altitude, and trail surface (packed dirt, loose scree, boulders, etc.).

Allowed Trail Use Key:

- Hiking
- Mountain Biking
- Horseback Riding
- Dogs on Leash
- Dogs off Leash
- OHV (Off Highway Vehicle)

Trail Rating Key:

- Easy
- Easy to Moderate
- Moderate
- Moderate to Difficult
- Difficult

Trail Courtesy:
Please be courteous to other trail users. Many of these trails are multi-use trails. Please follow the "Trail Courtesy" diagram (above) in regards to yielding to other users.

Total Ascent/Descent:
The total ascent / descent is the sum of all the uphill/downhill segments along each trail (one way from trailhead).

Social Trails:
Social trails are informal and unofficial trails that diverge from an existing, formal trail. Since they are not official trails they should be avoided.

Safety:
Please hike, bike or horseback ride at your own risk. There are inherent dangers in participating in all outdoor recreation activities.

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