

Cheyenne Mountain State Park



Who we are

At Cheyenne Mountain, El Paso County's only state park, visitors are welcomed at the beautiful Visitor Center, which offers educational displays and a gift shop. Visitors can take advantage of the hiking, biking and equestrian trails that meander through the picturesque landscape, offering a "plains to peaks" outdoor experience. Wildlife viewing is a popular activity at the park, which hosts a variety of wild inhabitants, including mule deer, wild turkey, black bear, bobcat, red fox and birds of prey. Enjoy the Archery Range or simply relax with a barbeque at one of the many picnic sites. Campers may enjoy a unique walk-in tent site or the comforts of their RV at a full-hookup site in the park.

Top attractions

- An extensive system of hiking and biking trails, with several open to equestrian use
- Static archery ranges and a field/3-D archery range open to the public
- Campground offering 51 full-hookup and 10 walk-in tent sites
- 2 furnished Sleeper cabins, available year round
- Visitor Center and Camper Services building with meeting rooms, gift shops and displays for all ages
- Prairie Skipper Event Pavilion and group picnic area
- Prairie Falcon Amphitheater available to the public for events with a reservation
- Universally-accessible picnic sites with stunning peak-to-prairie views



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Our partners

- Great Outdoors Colorado
- City of Colorado Springs
- Friends of Cheyenne Mountain State Park
- Experience Colorado Springs
- Mountain Post Historical Society
- Medicine Wheel Mountain Bike Club
- El Paso County
- Trails and Open Space Coalition
- El Pomar Foundation

Challenges we face

- Working with state parks stewardship staff to continue implementation of forest management and fuel mitigation plans to improve forest health, wildlife habitat and recreation opportunities
- Cooperating with local military commands in the Colorado Springs area to market outdoor recreation, volunteer and education opportunities to military members and their families

Volunteer activities

- Cheyenne Mountain State Park's enthusiastic volunteers play a vital role in the day-to-day operation of the park. Volunteers help provide visitors with exceptional service by fulfilling the roles of park naturalists, camp hosts and visitor center attendants, as well as conducting trail maintenance, fuel mitigation and non-native plant management, just to name a few activities. Volunteers also monitor the park's raptor population and assist with other important resource stewardship duties.
- The Friends of Cheyenne Mountain State Park is another growing group of dedicated individuals committed to helping the park achieve its established goals. The Friends are important financial supporters of the park's volunteer and educational programs.

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Manager's Message

Connecting to our local community and improving recreational opportunities for all visitors is a priority. We achieve this by offering educational opportunities at the park, including No Child Left Inside and Kids to Parks events, national events and outreach events. Our state-of-the-art static and field/3-D archery ranges are open to the public, available for tournaments and used by park staff and volunteers for very popular archery classes. In 2019 the Dixon Trail was completed, connecting the Top of the Mountain trail system with the rest of the park's 23 miles of trails. The completion of the Dixon Trail added 7 miles of picturesque views along with several aspen meadows.

Geography

Region: Southeast
County: El Paso
Year Acquired: 2000
Elevation: 6,050 ft
Miles From Denver: 70

Acreage

Total Acres: 2,702

Governmental

US Cong Dist: 5th
CO Senate: 12th
CO House: 18th

Employees

Permanent: 5
Temporary: 12
Volunteers (FY 22): 172
Volunteer Hours (FY 22): 11,509

Annual Visitation

FY 22: ~220,000

Facilities

Archery Range
Event Facilities
Group Picnic Area
2 Cabins
Group Tent Camping area
Laundry
Picnic Sites (20)
Showers (coin-operated)
Visitor Center

Trails

Biking: 25.5 miles
Hiking: 29 miles
Horseback: 12 miles
Total: 29 miles

Roads

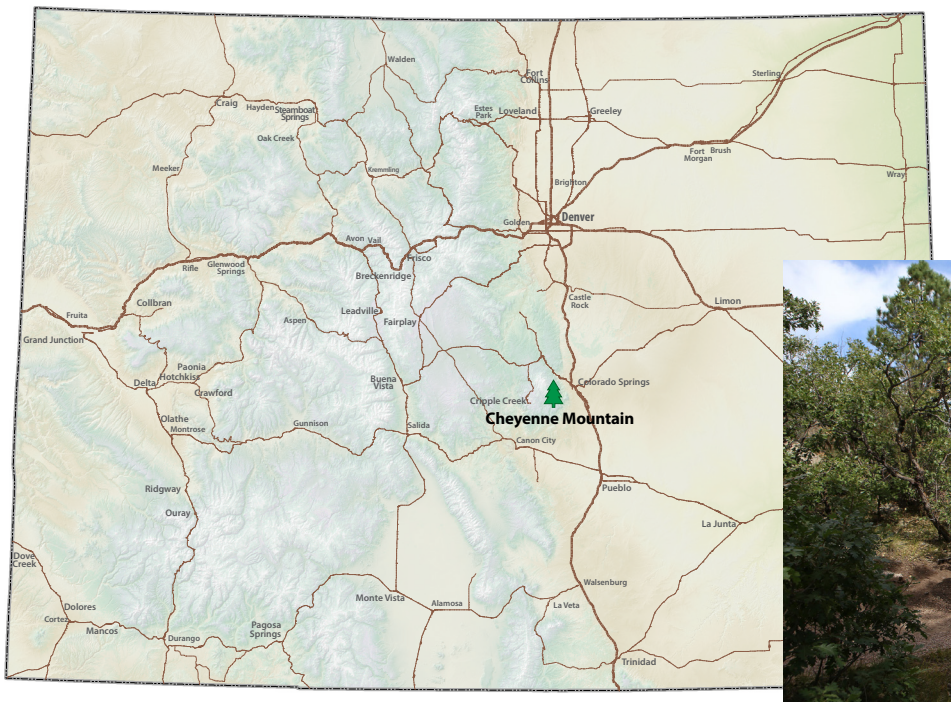
Paved: 3.5 miles

Recreation

Archery
Disc Golf
Hiking
Mountain Biking
Picnicking
Snowshoeing
Geocaching
Ranger/Nature Programs
Wildlife/Bird Viewing

Camping

Campsites (basic, year-round): 10
Campsites (full-hookup, year-round): 51
Cabins: (Furnished, year-round): 2



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