



# Roxborough

Colorado State Natural Area

## What to Expect

Within Roxborough State Park, this natural area wows visitors with its dramatic tilted sandstone formations, the result of millions of years of uplift and erosion. The park encompasses a geologic span of 500 million years in an east-west stretch of less than a mile. Exposed geology dates from Precambrian to Late Mesozoic, including hogbacks of Cretaceous, Permian and Pennsylvanian age. (Learn more about the geologic history [here](#).) High-quality natural communities, including Ponderosa pine and Douglas fir forests, as well as oak thickets and prairie dot the landscape.



*View of Fountain Formation from Lyons Overlook*



*Hike to Carpenter Peak*

## About the Natural Area

**Location:** Douglas County, 15 miles west of Sedalia

**Landowner:** Colorado Parks and Wildlife and State Land Board

**Natural Area Size:** 967 acres

**Address:** 4751 E Roxborough Dr., Littleton, CO 80125. [Google maps link to Roxborough State Park Visitor Center](#)

## Know Before You Go

A State Parks Pass is required to enter the park and can be purchased at the entrance gate. Stop by the Visitor's Center to learn more about all that the site has to offer. Visitors can hike 8 different trails totaling 14 miles to experience the park. Please stay on trail, and be aware of hazards including rattlesnakes and poison ivy. Camping, rock climbing, mountain bikes, and dogs are not permitted. For more information on park activities, trails, conditions, and more, checkout the [Roxborough State Park webpage](#).



*Striking geology of the park*

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