

Staunton State Park



Who we are

Staunton State Park opened to the public in May 2013 as the 41st Colorado State Park. The original land base for the park was established by a donation of 1,680 acres from Frances Hornbrook Staunton, including her parents' original homestead. Additional land purchases increased the total area of the park to 3,988 acres. The outstanding features at Staunton include rugged rock outcroppings, lush grassy meadows, rolling hillsides forested with conifers and aspens, and a dramatic waterfall. Numerous streams wind through the park, contributing to the biodiversity and natural beauty of the area. With the abundant natural resources available, it is no wonder that deer, elk, bears, mountain lions, coyotes and bobcats call Staunton State Park home.

Top attractions

- Staunton State Park is home to a number of distinct natural and cultural resources. Two rare plant species are located in the park, along with seven structures that are designated on the National Register of Historic Places.
- The Track Chair program is a motorized wheelchair that provides hiking trails accessible to all.
- In 2015, Governor Hickenlooper designated the Black Mountain Parcel located in Staunton as a Colorado Natural Area.
- The scenery and setting of Staunton are unique. Geologic features, such as large rock outcrops and dramatic cliffs, dominate many of the views in the park, and the ponderosa pine stands are some of the most mature along the Front Range.



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Our partners

- Colorado State Forest Service
- U.S. Forest Service
- Mile High Youth Corps
- International Mountain Biking Association
- Friends of Staunton State Park
- Jefferson County Historical Society
- History Colorado

Challenges we face

- Continuing to address wildlife and mountain pine beetle concerns through forest health and fuels mitigation projects
- Coordinating the efforts of park staff, administrative specialists and partners, such as the Colorado State Forest Service

Volunteer activities

- Volunteers help with educational programs, community events, trail hosting, trail maintenance, social media management, resource protection and monitoring.
- Staff at Staunton State Park works with individuals and local groups to build an effective volunteer program for the park.

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Geography

Region: Northeast
County: Jefferson and Park
Year Acquired: 1986
Elevation: 8,215 ft
Miles From Denver: 40

Acreage

Total Acres: 3,988

Governmental

US Cong Dist: 7th
CO Senate: 4th
CO House: 13th, 25th

Employees

Permanent: 4
Temporary: 15
Volunteers (FY 22): 171
Volunteer Hours (FY 22): 13,088

Annual Visitation

FY 22: ~230,000

Facilities

Amphitheater
Group Picnic Area (2)
25 Picnic Sites
Visitor Center

Roads

Paved: 2.25 miles

Trails

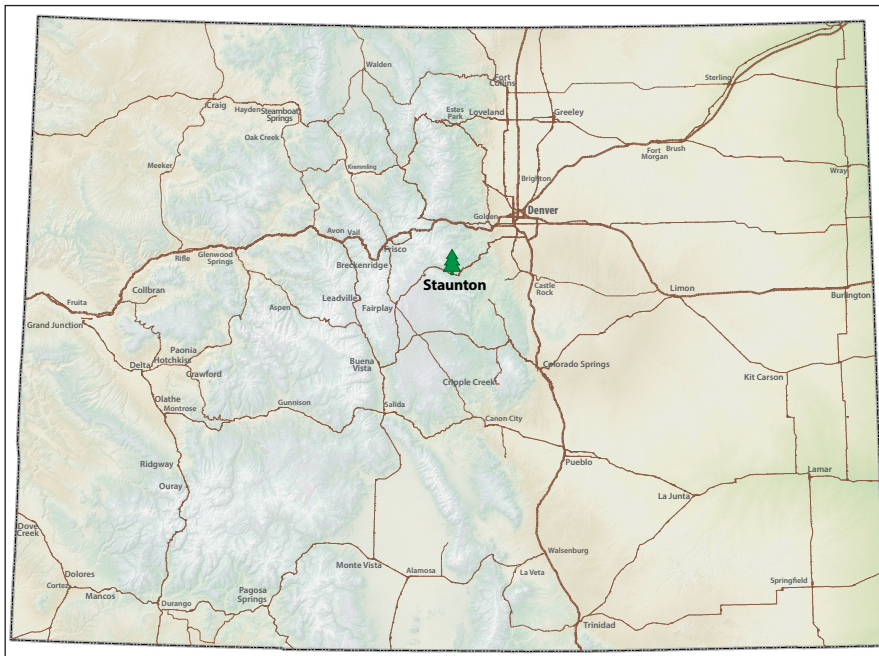
Biking: 29 miles
Hiking: 37 miles
Horseback: 29 miles
Snowshoeing: ~20 miles
Total: 37 miles

Recreation

Fishing
Geocaching
Picnicking
Ranger/Nature Programs
Rock Climbing
Wildlife/Bird Viewing

Camping

Campsites (basic, year-round): 25



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