

Davis Ponds Trail

2.1 miles / trail / easy



- Winds down slope through open ponderosa pines / grassland / aspens
- 2 loops: Pookah & Waterhole
- Three trout ponds

Staunton Ranch Trail

3.3 miles / trail-old road / moderate



- Gentle slopes with open ponderosa pine forest / aspen groves / grasslands
- Trail passes through areas that have been actively managed to promote healthier diverse forests/enhance wildlife habitat/reduce fires by thinning and prescribed fire – can see stumps/blackened ponderosa trunks
- About ½ way follows old road that parallels an unnamed branch of Black Mt Creek
- Historic cabins: Staunton, Chase, Blain, Richardson, Brola, Policeman's
- View of Staunton Rocks – rock climbing area
- Marmots in rocks / open grassland east of road – unusually low elevation population

Mason Creek Trail

4.5 miles / trail / moderately difficult



- Begins through open ponderosa pine forest / grassland
- Follows steep narrow forested valley along Mason Creek – serves as wildlife travel corridor
- Continues climb through forest / small meadows then wide switchbacks up through thinned lodgepole
- Leaves Mason Creek drainage and winds down into Black Mountain Creek drainage through lodgepole forest

- Passes aspen grove/meadow and descends old road following Black Mt Creek to Old Mill

Old Mill Trail

0.9 miles / old road / moderate



- Moderate steep rocky climb from SR Trail
- Follows Black Mountain Creek
- Rare blue spruce/river birch riparian vegetation community found only in deep moist canyons of the Colorado Front Range
- Seeps/wet meadows and small aspen groves
- Historic saw mill

Scout Line Trail

1.5 miles / trail / moderate



- Steep switchbacks on east end
- Contours around ridgeline with views to south before intersecting Marmot Trail

Marmot Passage Trail

2.5 / trail / moderately difficult



- Moderately steep slope through lodgepole
- Near top and on descent views of Black Mountain, Lions Head, Chimney Rock, and in distance Mt Logan and Rosalie Peak
- Drop down sweeping switchbacks through open grassland with marmots above pond
- Bristlecone pine along trail on lower slope above pond

Border Line Trail

2.5 miles / trail / moderate



- From SR Trail gradual climb through open/thinned forest then steep slope with multiple switchbacks through lodgepole

- Crest ridgeline – more open forest with mix of trees and views of granite rock outcrops hundreds of feet tall
- Overlook with distant views to south of park
- Downhill to Old Mill through lodgepole forest

Bugling Elk Trail

1.1 miles / old road / easy



- Gentle climb through conifer forest
- Gentle drop down into North Elk Creek drainage
- Views north into open meadows
- North Elk Creek flows through a large rare spring-fed Nebraska sedge fen wetland – fed by seeps on adjacent slopes not by creek flow – thousands of years to develop

Lions Back Trail

1.0 mile / old road / moderate



- steep initial climb then levels off through mixed conifer / aspen groves - abundant aspen stems where the forest was thinned in 2008
- Elk Falls overlook - short spur – Views of Elk Falls / Chimney Rock / North Elk Creek valley
- High expansive views for raptor spotting

Climbing Access Trail

0.9 mile / trail / difficult



- Narrow access trail along base of Staunton Rocks - loops back to SR trail
- Steep spur trails up to climbing routes from the access trail – towering rock faces