



# 2026 HIKE SCHEDULE

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## FEBRUARY

- 07 (Sat) Dawson Butte - Manger Meadow Loop (Snowshoeing) [4]
- 15 (Sun) Mueller State Park - Elk View Loop (Snowshoeing) [5]
- 21 (Sat) Denver - Barr Lake State Park (Bald Eagle Nature Hike) [2]
- 28 (Sat) Breckenridge - Boreas Pass Road & Baker's Tank Trail\* (Snowshoeing) [7]

## MARCH

- 07 (Sat) Fountain Creek Nature Center + Willow Springs Pond Loop (Afternoon) [2]
- 14 (Sat) Canon City - Schepp Ridge Open Space [5]
- 28 (Sat) Stratton Open Space - Gold Camp & South Reservoir Loops [4]

## APRIL

- 04 (Sat) Lake Pueblo State Park - Voodoo Loop Trail [7]
- 11 (Sat) Great Sand Dunes National Park - Dunes Overlook + Zapata Falls\* [4]
- 19 (Sun) Paint Mines Interpretive Trail (Afternoon) [3]
- 25 (Sat) Palmer Lake - Chautauqua Mountain + Balanced Rock Loop [7]

## MAY

- 02 (Sat) Columbine Open Space - North and South Loops [2]
- 09 (Sat) Castle Rock - Gateway Mesa Open Space - Chuck's Loop & Legacy Trail [4]
- 16 (Sat) Staunton State Park - Elk Falls\* [U-Lead-It] [7]
- 24 (Sun) High Chaparral Open Space [2]
- 30 (Sat) Pinerias Open Space [6]

## JUNE

- 07 (Sun) Walsenburg - Lathrop State Park - Martin Lake + Hogback Nature Trail\* [4]
- 13 (Sat) Monarch Pass - Old Monarch Pass Loop\* [5]
- 20 (Sat) [U-Lead-It] [TBD]
- 27 (Sat) Monument Rock Trail [3]

## JULY

- 05 (Sun) Castlewood Canyon State Park - East Canyon Preservation Trail [4]
- 11 (Sat) Cottonwood Pass - Cottonwood South Trail\* [6]
- 19 (Sun) [U-Lead-It] [TBD]
- 25 (Sat) Wolf Creek Pass - Alberta Peak\* [7]

## AUGUST

- 01 (Sat) Bear Creek Nature Center + Mountain Scrub/Yellow Jacket Loop [5]
- 08 (Sat) Berthoud Pass - Colorado Mines Peak Trail\* [8]
- 15 (Sat) Palmer Divide Trail [3]
- 29 (Sat) Eisenhower Tunnel Pass - Upper Straight Creek w/Golden Bear Summit\* [9]

## SEPTEMBER

- 05 (Sat) Independence Pass - Ridgeline Trail\* [9]
- 13 (Sun) Cheyenne Mountain State Park - Cougar's Shadow [5]
- 19 (Sat) Grayback Peak [6]
- 26 (Sat) Pikes Peak Summit (from the Crags Trail) [10]

## OCTOBER

- 03 (Sat) [U-Lead-It] [TBD]
- 10 (Sat) Hoosier Pass - North Star Peak\* [9]
- 18 (Sun) Horsethief Falls + Pancake Rocks [5/8]
- 24 (Sat) Cheesman Reservoir - Upper Cheesman Canyon Trail [6]
- 31 (Sat) Pueblo - Phelps Creek + Runyon Lake [3]

## NOVEMBER

- 07 (Sat) Bennett Mountain [5]
- 14 (Sat) [U-Lead-It] (Afternoon) [TBD]
- 22 (Sun) Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge (Afternoon) [5]
- 28 (Sat) Aiken Canyon (Afternoon) [5]

## DECEMBER

- 05 (Sat) Palmer Park - Palmer Park Ramble (Afternoon) [4]

## KEY

BLACK indicates a standard hike.

BLUE indicates a Snowshoeing event.

RED indicates a Mountain-Climbing or Difficult High-Elevation event; no special gear required, but these are the more difficult hikes.

[ U-Lead-It ] hikes are placeholder dates for other club members to volunteer a location and lead a group hike; flyers/advertisement provided by club organizer.

\* indicates a hike outside of the Pikes Peak region which may involve an early start and/or overnight stay (participants arrange their own travel and lodging)

## NOTES

Schedule subject to change, especially for weather.

All hikes begin in the morning, except where noted on the schedule

Details of each hike, including meeting times and locations, will be sent a few days prior to each hike.

Dogs permitted on most hikes, exceptions noted on hike details--please keep dogs on leash at all times.

Please read Hiking Club Rules found in the club newsletter; know your own limits for hike difficulty.

Respect nature and each other--Have Fun!

## RATINGS

Hike ratings are shown in brackets [ ] on each event. Hikes are rated for difficulty based on overall distance, altitude, climbing involved, and terrain difficulty.

1-3: EASY - casual walks, can be attempted by most members

4-6: MODERATE - longer routes or with difficult terrain; for more experienced hikers

7-10: DIFFICULT - long hikes, usually involving lots of climbing; for fit and experienced hikers only



Current as of: 3/27/2026



# GUIDED HIKE SCHEDULE

## April - June 2026

*Enjoy Guided Hikes in Nearby Scenic Locations!*  
*(held the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month)*

Bring **comfortable walking shoes** and **bottled water**; dress in layers appropriate for local temperatures and wear hat/sunscreen.

Hikes are generally 3 to 5 miles in length - no special experience or skill required.

Hikes begin <10 min drive from Buffalo Lodge; ride provided if you need one.

Hikes typically last 2-3 hours.

Pace is casual and provides great exercise with numerous photo opportunities!

Non-lodge residents should park in the Event Parking area, which is in the rear of the property.

### \*\*\* HIKE SCHEDULE \*\*\*

Meet in front of lodge office

April 10, 2026 - 2 p.m.  
**Bear Creek Nature Center**

April 24, 2026 - 2 p.m.  
**Garden of the Gods**

May 8, 2026 - 9 a.m.  
**Red Rock Canyon**

May 22, 2026 - 9 a.m.  
**Bear Creek Nature Center**

June 12, 2026 - 9 a.m.  
**Garden of the Gods**

June 26, 2026 - 9 a.m.  
**Red Rock Canyon**



Hikes led by **Mountain Trails Hiking Club** in partnership with the Buffalo Lodge Bicycle Resort. Visit us at [www.mountaintrailshiking.com](http://www.mountaintrailshiking.com) for more information!

