

HANGING LAKE

DAY HIKE

Location: White River Nat'l Forest E. of Glenwood Springs Exit 125 Eastbound Contact Info: Eagle/Holy Cross Ranger District 970-328-6388 www.fs.fed.us/r2

FYI: The map on the reverse side is for

general orientation, not for navigation. *P.S.* Get and give trail updates at www.facebook.com/oriccolorado

Length: 1.34 miles one-way (estimate using the Nat'l Geo Mapping Software)

Time: The average person hikes approximately 2 miles an hour. Adjust your time +/based on terrain and weather conditions and your skill and fitness level and whether you are hiking or trail running.

Season: March to early December

Elevation Gain/Loss: See trail profile on reverse side

Difficulty: Moderate

Trail Users: Hikers

Dogs: No

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Permits: None required

Getting There From Denver: West on I-70 into Glenwood Canyon. Exit at Grizzly Creek (Exit 121), then eastbound on I-70 to the Hanging Lake exit (Exit 125). Follow the signs to the trailhead.

Maps: National Geographic Trails Illustrated #151 (eastside of the map) and or the Shoshone USGS 7.5 topographic map. **IMPORTANT:** Stay found with the aid of a topographic map, compass, GPS receiver and the skill to use them.

Safety Concerns and Supplemental Info: ■ Close to I-70 ■ Easy access—popular can be crowded ■ Swimming and fishing is prohibited ■ There is a rest stop and restrooms at the Hanging Lake exit ■ The trail is rocky in spots ■ The trail is short, but a steep hike ■ Be prepared for mosquitoes from May through September

Trail Description: Start at the Canyon Trail and then take the left fork to the Hanging Lake Trail. **TIP:** Contact the White River National Forest Office for trail updates.

Highlights: Shimmering blue-green 1 ½ acre lake fed by two waterfalls Mixed forest of Oakbrush, Piñon Pine, Juniper, Douglas Firs and Cottonwoods Seven bridge crossings Side trail to Spouting Rock Bridal Veil Falls Board-walk along the southern shore Box elders, ferns and limestone cliffs 2007 ORIC All rights reserved.

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