HELL'S HOLE TRAIL



DAY HIKE

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

Location: Mt. Evans Wilderness

Arapaho National Forest Near W. Chicago Creek CG Contact Info: Clear Creek Ranger District

303-567-4382 www.fs.fed.us/r2

Length: 4.13 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.

Elevation Gain/Loss: See trail profile on reverse side

Difficulty: Moderate

Trail Users: Hikers and wildlife

Season: June through the first week in October

Dogs: On hand-held leash

Permits: Free use permit at trailhead

Getting There From Denver: Take I-70 West from Denver. Get off I-70 at Exit 240 and get on Colorado Highway 103. Take CO 103 south from Idaho Springs. At the first switch back, go straight onto Clear Creek County # 114 to its end at the West Chicago Creek Campground

Maps: National Geographic Trails Illustrated Map # 104 (eastside of map). **IMPORTANT:** Stay found with the aid of a topographic map, a compass, a GPS receiver and the skill to use them.

Safety Considerations and Supplemental Info: Afternoon storms and lightning ■ Check www.oriconline.org for fire restrictions ■ Prepare for mosquitoes from June through September

Trail Description: The trail starts at the south end of the West Chicago Creek Campground at 9600 feet. The first part is steady uphill, roughly paralleling West Chicago Creek. About one mile from the trailhead, you enter the Mount Evans Wilderness Area. Near timberline, the trail levels off somewhat. The route terminates above the spectacular Hell's Hole Basin below the sheer face of Grey Wolf Mountain at 11,200 feet. TIP: Contact the Idaho Springs Visitor Center (303-567-4382) for trail updates.

Highlights: ■ Hell's Hole Basin

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Hell's Hole Day Hike 444000m E. 438000mE, 440000mE. 442000mE. WGS84 Zone 13S 449000mE. Hells Hole Trail #53 43 94000m 443492mE 4392269mN Trailhead 4391000m N 43 91000m N. 3.53 miles one-way 43 B9000m N. Z 43 8 9000m 43 87000m N Z 43 B 7000m -3750 Return (%) 442236mE 4387161mN Gray Wolf 43 85000m N 43 85000m N EVANS Mount Spalding 43 B3000m N ż 43 B3000m Guabella; Mount Bierstadt 2006 National 438000mE. 440000mE. 442000mE. 444000mE. WGS84 Zone 13S 449000mE. 11500' 11000' 10500' 100000 9500' 2.50 mi. 4.00 n 0.50 mi. 1.00 mi. 1.50 mi. 2.00 mi. 3.00 mi. 3.50 mi. •:3.53 mi., 11213' Gain: +1590' -0' = +1590' TN∱MN 0.0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 miles '9½° 5 04/30/08