WIGWAM CREEK TO WIGWAM PARK



DAY HIKE

FYI: The map on the reverse side is not intended for navigation, but rather for general orientation.

P.S. More trail maps available at www.oriconline.org

Location: Lost Creek Wilderness

Pike National Forest West of Deckers **Contact Info:** South Platte Ranger District

719-275-5610 www.fs.fed.us/r2

Length: 3.20 miles one-way (est. using the Nat'l Geo Mapping Software)

Time: The average person hikes apx. 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: June through October

Elevation Gain: +1489' -152' =+1337'

Difficulty: Moderate

Trail Users: Hikers, equestrians, anglers and wildlife

Dogs permitted: On hand-held leash **Permits:** Free use permit at the trailhead

Getting There From Denver: Take US Highway 285 Southwest to Pine Junction. Turn left at the stop light and take Park County Road 126 (Pine Highway) 21.9 miles to the Cheesman Canyon Trailhead and Parking Area. Drive .2 miles past the Cheesman Canyon Trailhead and Parking Area and turn right onto Forest Road (FR) 211 (dirt road on your right). Follow FR 211 2.1 miles to the intersection with FR 211.0 (gated). Stay right to continue on FR 211. Follow FR 211 1 mile to the next fork. Take the right fork onto FR 560. Follow FR 560 1.5 miles to the intersection with FR 541 (Flying G Road). Stay to the right to continue on FR 560. Follow FR 560 2.6 miles to the intersection with FR 545. Turn left and follow this road 1.2 miles to the Wigwam Trailhead.

Maps: National Geographic Trails Illustrated #105 (East Side of Map) or 135 (East Side of Map). **IMPORTANT:** Stay found with the aid of a topographic map, compass, GPS receiver and the skill to use them.

Safety Considerations: ■ Afternoon thunderstorms and lightning ■ Prepare for mosquitoes from June through August

Trail Description: Wigwam Trail #609 gradually ascends through forested hillsides as you head west paralleling Wigwam Creek. You'll cross Wigwam Creek apx. 9 times on your way to a series of alpine beaver ponds and meadows. This is a perfect place for a relaxing lunch before you return to your car. **TIP:** Contact the South Platte Ranger District for trail updates.

Highlights: ■ Granite domes suitable for rock climbing ■ Creek fishing ■ Wigwam Park ■ Wigwam Creek accompanies you the entire way ■ You'll pass through a mixed forest comprised of Douglas Fir, Engelmann Spruce, Ponderosa Pine, Limber Pine, Lodgepole Pines and Quaking Aspens.

