

Garden Of The Gods Park

Park Hours: May 1 to October 31: 5:00 am-10:00 pm / November 1 to April 30: 5:00 am-9:00 pm Call 719-219-0108 for park information.

Park Programs:

Daily Walks: Daily guided walks available, 10:30 am. 45-minutes exploring the ecology, geology & history of the Park. Reservations: www.gardenofgods.com.
Check at the Visitor Center for availability and more information.

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Living History: Rock Ledge Ranch is your connection to history and people of the Pikes Peak Region.

Enjoy One of the Many Trails:

Hiking, biking, and horseback riding offer unique views and experiences of the park. Please stay on marked trails as we have easily erodible soils, and high visitation with over 4.5 million yearly visitors. For everyone's safety, please remember trail etiquette on any trail system.

Rock Names:

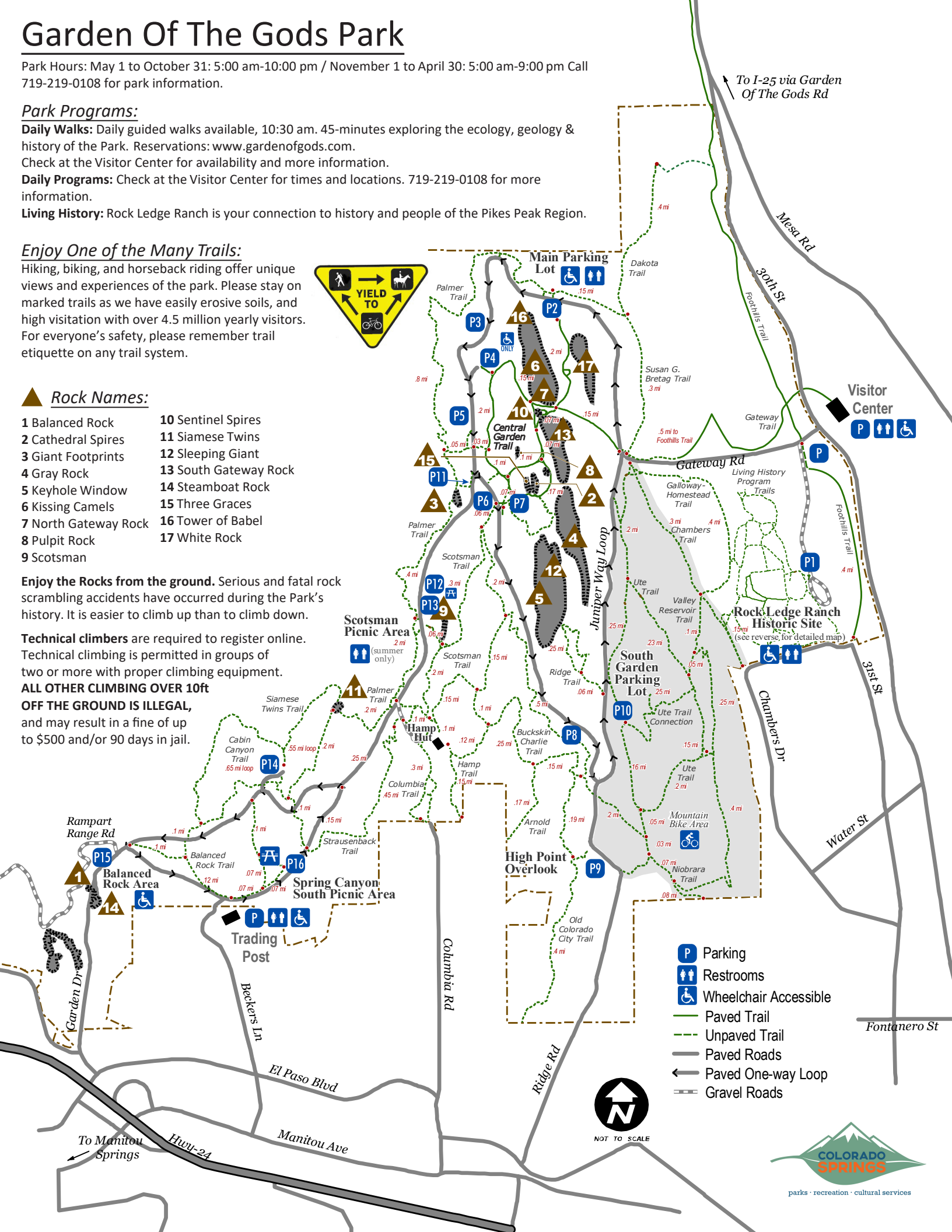
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| 1 Balanced Rock | 10 Sentinel Spires |
| 2 Cathedral Spires | 11 Siamese Twins |
| 3 Giant Footprints | 12 Sleeping Giant |
| 4 Gray Rock | 13 South Gateway Rock |
| 5 Keyhole Window | 14 Steamboat Rock |
| 6 Kissing Camels | 15 Three Graces |
| 7 North Gateway Rock | 16 Tower of Babel |
| 8 Pulpit Rock | 17 White Rock |
| 9 Scotsman | |

Enjoy the Rocks from the ground. Serious and fatal rock scrambling accidents have occurred during the Park's history. It is easier to climb up than to climb down.

Technical climbers are required to register online. Technical climbing is permitted in groups of two or more with proper climbing equipment.

ALL OTHER CLIMBING OVER 10ft

OFF THE GROUND IS ILLEGAL, and may result in a fine of up to \$500 and/or 90 days in jail.



- Parking
- Restrooms
- Wheelchair Accessible
- Paved Trail
- Unpaved Trail
- Paved Roads
- Paved One-way Loop
- Gravel Roads

TRAILS

By far the most popular walk in the Park is along the Central Garden Trail, and no matter how rushed you are, do not pass up the opportunity to walk this trail. It offers the perfect introduction to the flora, fauna and geology of the Garden, and because it's paved, it is easily accessible in all seasons. With gentle grades and interpretive signs, it is perfect for families with small children, handicapped visitors and those who only have time to walk one trail. 1.56 miles

Gateway Trail: Crosses Camp Creek, passes through arching Gambel oaks, and offers good viewing opportunities for wildflower enthusiasts and birders. .31 miles

On-street Bike Lane: A good way for bicyclists to get an overview of the Park. Be aware that automobiles sometimes stop in this bikes-only lane. 4.11 miles

Susan G. Bretag Trail: Pink blossoms grace the non-native New Mexican locust in early spring, and rattlesnakes occasionally pass by. .45 miles

Dakota Trail: Bighorn sheep can sometimes be viewed from this trail. .44 miles

Palmer Trail: A good hike for those interested in the Park's trees. Offers great views of the Central Garden area. 1.89 miles

Galloway Homestead Trail: A scenic route leading you to Rock Ledge Ranch Historic Site. .45 miles

Ridge Trail: Children are not permitted to climb higher than 10 feet, but they can get that high-on-the-rocks feeling by walking on these rock formations that are millions of years old. .25 miles

Rock Ledge Ranch: A peaceful trail that lets you soak up the history offered by the Ranch and its interpretive staff. 1.88 miles

Valley Reservoir Trail: Look for wild asparagus, believed to be remnants of crops once grown at the Ranch. .17 mile

Ute Trail: The valleys were once reservoirs that supplied water to the Ranch. The healthy cottonwood trees you see show the continued presence of underground water. .96 mile

Ute Trail Connection: .28 mile

Chambers Trail: Look for the old reservoir and cross over the former dam. .47 mile

Niobrara Trail: Very old one-seed junipers grow along this limestone ridge which offers good views of Rock Ledge Ranch. 1.43 miles

Buckskin Charlie Trail: Named for a Southern Ute chief who was born in the Garden. .98 mile

Old Colorado City Trail: If you pick up the trail from 36th Street, you will walk through meadows and over rocks, emerging at a spot offering great views. .56 mile

Scotsman Trail: A good walk for picnickers, and there is a summer restroom at the picnic grounds. 1.58 miles

Strausenback Trail: A fairly secluded trail with a great rock to sit on while you admire the views. 1.58 miles

Hamp Trail: The Girl Scouts built Hamp Hut as a campsite in 1953. .29 mile

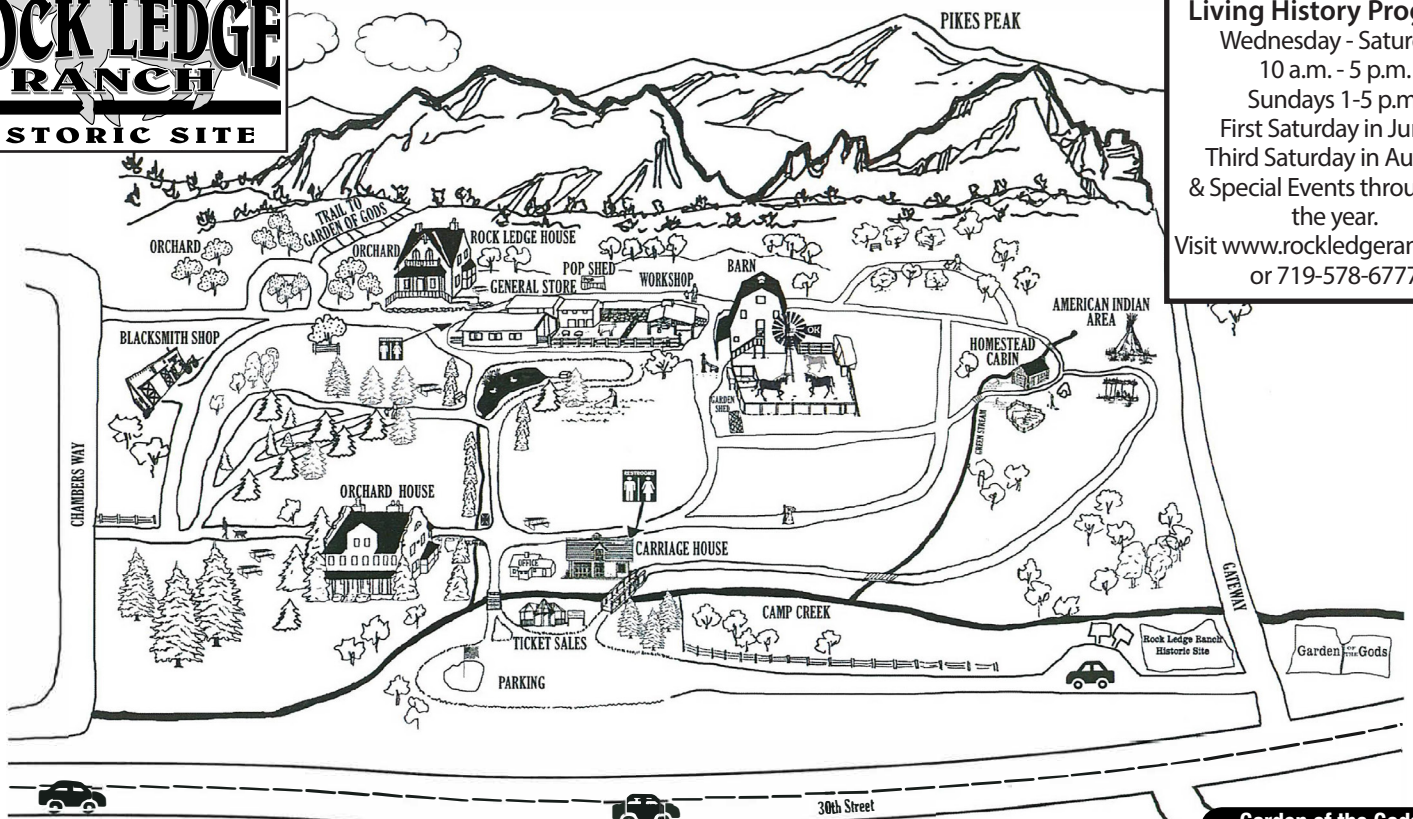
Siamese Twins: A rock "window" offers a spectacular (and highly photographed) view of Pikes Peak. .93 mile

Cabin Canyon Trail: A short trail with dramatic geological formations. Not recommended in wet weather. .69 mile

Balanced Rock Trail: Be one of a zillion visitors who have had their picture taken standing by this famous landmark. .44 mile

Spring Canyon Trail: It can be muddy after a heavy rain, and the Garden's red mud can create a laundry challenge. .48 mile

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Living History Program:
 Wednesday - Saturday
 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Sundays 1-5 p.m.
 First Saturday in June -
 Third Saturday in August
 & Special Events throughout
 the year.
 Visit www.rockledgeranch.com
 or 719-578-6777

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 Visitor & Nature Center**