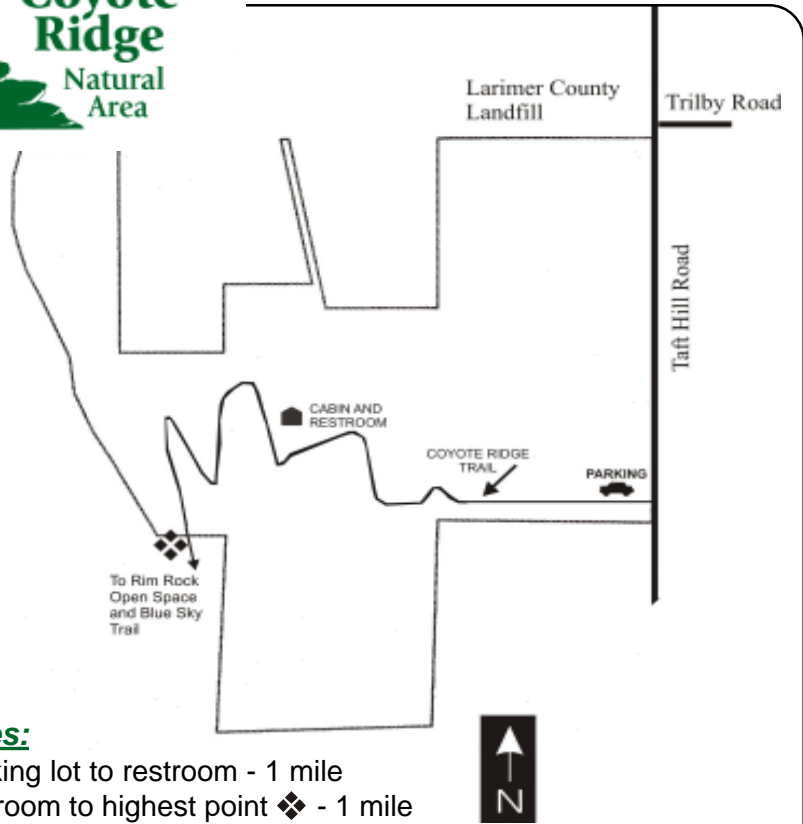




Coyote Ridge
Natural Area



Distances:

From parking lot to restroom - 1 mile

From restroom to highest point ◆ - 1 mile

Rimrock Trail - 3 miles

If you hike both Coyote Ridge and Rim Rock trails, the round trip distance is 7 miles.

Blue Sky Trail - 5.5 miles

Help Protect This Natural Area

Call the Natural Areas and Trails Rangers at 416-2147 to report any problems. For life-threatening emergencies use the call boxes located at the parking lot and at the restroom, or call 911.

Remember to stay on the trails and leave your dog at home.



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where the prairies meet the mountains



Welcome to Coyote Ridge!

Coyote Ridge Natural Area spans almost 1,000 acres. It is an area of transition between the prairies and the mountains. This ecotone provides habitat to a wide range of plants and animals. Look for mule deer in winter, western kingbirds in summer and a changing array of flowering plants.

Coyote Ridge is a sensitive natural area. No dogs are permitted. You can enjoy wildlife watching, plant identification, hiking, bicycling and horseback riding. All activities must take place on the trail.



Trails and Features

A two-mile trail from the parking area takes visitors to the highest point on Coyote Ridge, with approximately 600 feet increase in elevation. Check out the viewing tubes here - the view in all directions is spectacular. From this point, the trail continues into Larimer County's Rim Rock Open Space and joins the Blue Sky Trail.

One mile from the parking lot at Coyote Ridge is a cabin, interpretive loop trail, bike racks, horse hitching posts and restroom. The cabin deck serves as a group gathering place, shelter and resting area. **Only** pedestrians and wheelchairs are permitted at the cabin and on the loop trail. The main trail is open to horses and bikes.

For an in-depth look at Coyote Ridge, take time to experience the interpretive features and signs along the trail and at the cabin.

For Your Safety

Coyote Ridge is home to rattlesnakes, coyotes, bears and mountain lions.

If you encounter a rattlesnake, slowly move away from it. Be aware of where you place your hands and feet. Keep children close to you at all times.

Please see additional information at the trailhead kiosk regarding coyotes, bears and mountain lions.



Programs

City of Fort Collins Master Naturalists are available for group nature walks on weekends, weekdays and evenings. Portions of Coyote Ridge are wheelchair accessible by appointment. Call 416-2480 to schedule a nature walk or an accessible outing.