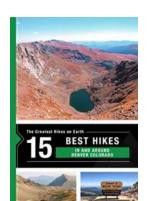
# The 15 Best Hikes In And Around Denver Colorado: The Greatest Hikes On Earth 33



Are you an adventure enthusiast looking for the perfect hiking spots in and around Denver, Colorado? Look no further! Whether you're a beginner or an experienced hiker, this comprehensive guide will provide you with the 15 best hikes in the area. Prepare to embark on an unforgettable journey through picturesque landscapes, breathtaking views, and captivating trails that will leave you in awe.

### 1. Rocky Mountain National Park - Sky Pond Trail





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Located just a short drive from Denver, the Rocky Mountain National Park offers an abundance of scenic hikes. The Sky Pond Trail, in particular, stands out as a must-visit destination. This challenging 9-mile round trip hike takes you through alpine meadows, enchanting waterfalls, and eventually leads to the breathtaking Sky Pond. Prepare to be mesmerized by the pristine beauty of this natural wonder.

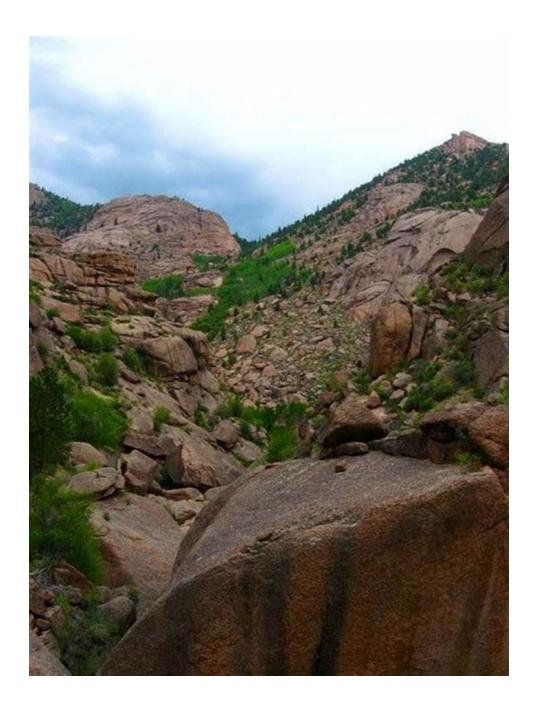
#### 2. Mount Evans



If you're up for a real adventure, the hike up Mount Evans is an absolute must. With an elevation gain of 3,500 feet, this 14-mile round trip trail will test your endurance and reward you with stunning panoramic views of the Colorado

Rockies. Don't forget to bring your camera to capture the jaw-dropping scenery along the way!

#### 3. Lost Creek Wilderness



About a two-hour drive from Denver lies the Lost Creek Wilderness, a hidden gem that offers breathtaking hikes for those seeking solitude and serenity. With countless trails to explore, you can spend days hiking through beautiful

meadows, towering rock formations, and crystal-clear streams. Don't miss the opportunity to experience this tranquil oasis.

### 4. Bear Lake Loop



Located within the Rocky Mountain National Park, the Bear Lake Loop is a family-friendly hike suitable for all skill levels. This picturesque 0.6-mile trail encircles the serene Bear Lake, offering stunning views of the surrounding mountains and dense forests. Pack a picnic and spend a relaxing day in nature with your loved ones.

#### 5. Mount Bierstadt



Another challenging hike for adventurous souls, Mount Bierstadt offers a rewarding experience for those willing to take on the 7-mile round trip journey. Witness breathtaking alpine landscapes, encounter colorful wildflowers, and feel a sense of accomplishment as you reach the summit of this majestic mountain.

#### 6. Mount Falcon Park



With its close proximity to Denver, Mount Falcon Park is a popular hiking destination for locals and visitors alike. Offering trails of varying difficulty levels, this park provides stunning vistas of the Front Range, historic ruins, and lush forests. Escape the city and immerse yourself in the natural beauty of this captivating park.

### 7. Chautauqua Park



Located in Boulder, just outside of Denver, Chautauqua Park offers a variety of scenic hikes suitable for all ages. With the iconic Flatirons as a backdrop, you can choose from easy strolls to more challenging ascents. Soak in the sunshine, breathe in the fresh mountain air, and enjoy the stunning views this park has to offer.

### 8. Royal Arch Trail



If you're up for a challenging hike with jaw-dropping views, the Royal Arch Trail in Chautauqua Park is a must-do. This 3.5-mile round trip trail takes you through rocky terrain, steep inclines, and eventually rewards you with the iconic Royal Arch - a natural sandstone arch perched high above Boulder. The effort is worth it for the awe-inspiring vistas.

#### 9. Mount Sanitas



For an invigorating hike with panoramic views of Boulder, head to Mount Sanitas. This 3.3-mile loop trail offers a challenging ascent, rocky terrain, and stunning vistas of the city below. Make sure to bring plenty of water and take breaks to fully appreciate the beauty that surrounds you.

#### 10. Hell's Hole



If you're seeking a hike off the beaten path, Hell's Hole is a hidden gem waiting to be discovered. Located near Idaho Springs, this 9.3-mile round trip trail takes you through thick forests, meadows, and eventually leads to a breathtaking alpine valley. Immerse yourself in the tranquility of nature as you explore this lesser-known hiking spot.

### 11. St. Mary's Glacier



For a unique hiking experience, visit St. Mary's Glacier. This short but rewarding hike leads you to a stunning glacier, surrounded by towering peaks and shimmering turquoise waters. Take a moment to breathe in the cool mountain air and marvel at the beauty of this natural wonder.

### 12. Mount Sniktau



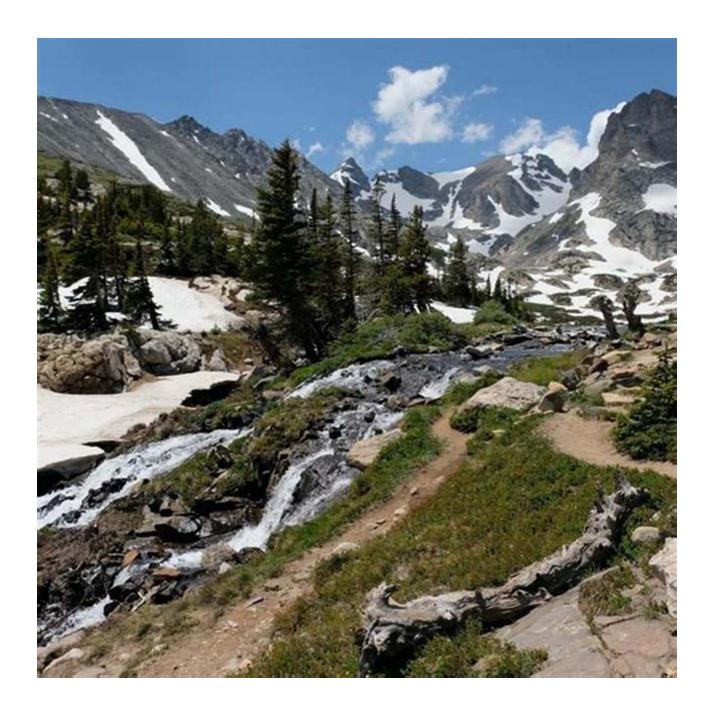
If you're looking for a challenging hike with rewarding panoramic views, Mount Sniktau is a great choice. Standing at an elevation of 13,234 feet, this 4.3-mile round trip trail offers breathtaking vistas of the Rocky Mountains and nearby peaks. Be prepared for changing weather conditions and a thrilling adventure.

### 13. Grays and Torreys Peaks



For experienced hikers seeking a challenging but rewarding climb, the hike up Grays and Torreys Peaks is a must-do. These two 14,000-foot peaks provide stunning views of the surrounding mountains and valleys. Lace up your boots, pack your hiking poles, and get ready for an unforgettable alpine adventure.

#### 14. Indian Peaks Wilderness



For a backcountry hiking experience, head to the Indian Peaks Wilderness. With over 76,000 acres of pristine wilderness, this area offers countless trails to explore. From picturesque alpine lakes to rugged mountain peaks, the Indian Peaks Wilderness is a paradise for outdoor enthusiasts.

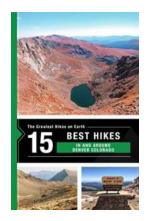
### 15. Eldorado Canyon State Park



Last but not least, Eldorado Canyon State Park offers a unique blend of hiking and rock climbing opportunities. With its towering sandstone cliffs, picturesque canyons, and scenic trails, this park is a favorite among rock climbers and hikers alike. Explore the canyons, admire the vibrant flora, and soak in the beauty of this natural wonder.

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Denver and its surrounding areas are a hiker's paradise, offering an abundance of stunning trails and breathtaking beauty. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced hiker, these 15 hikes are sure to provide you with unforgettable adventures. Remember to pack plenty of water, sunscreen, and your camera to capture the magnificent views along the way. Lace up your hiking boots, and get ready to embark on the greatest hikes on Earth!



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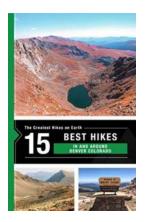
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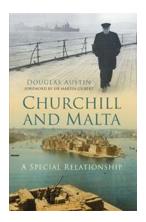
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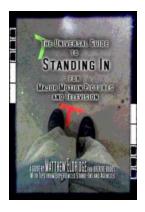
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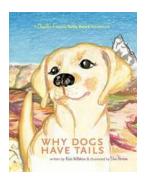
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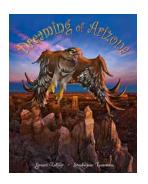
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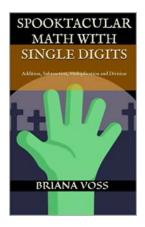
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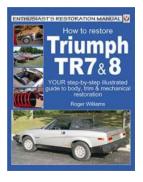
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