

Hiking

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White River National Forest
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LILY LAKE TRAIL, #1964: IN MAROON BELLS/SNOWMASS WILDERNESS

Length: 11.2/17.9 mi/km

Elevation Gain: 460, 2,600 ft. at highest

Beginning Elev: 7,800 ft.

USGS Map(s): Redstone and Marble

Difficulty: more difficult

Use: light

End Elev: 8,260, 10,500 ft. at highest

Trailhead starts at LAT/LONG:

UTM:

ACCESS: Travel south on Hwy 133 for 17 miles past Carbondale to Redstone. At the north end of Redstone take the 4WD road to the east up past the town's water plant to the East Creek trailhead, approximately a half mile from town. Travel up East Creek a half mile to the right fork onto Lily Lake trail.

NARRATIVE: The trail goes through areas of lush vegetation. Large, dense stands of trees make it a beautiful area to hike through, but also provide the opportunity to spot wildlife. Lily Lake trail has three ridges it crosses over which makes it seem longer than it actually is. It is not maintained and can be very difficult to find in places.

ETHICS/REGULATIONS: Wilderness areas are in a delicate state of natural balance, they are not a renewable resource. Any careless act can upset this natural balance and result in destruction. By following these ethics and regulations you can help protect and preserve the natural features of the Wilderness for future visits. **Please respect the land and rights of others!**

- Out of consideration for others and wildlife - **DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH.**
- Trash - **PACK IT IN, PACK IT OUT!**
- Limit group sizes to 10 people and 15 stock/pack animals.
- **Sanitation** - Bury human waste 100 feet from water and 6 - 8 inches in the soil.
- Lightweight campstoves are recommended and required above the timberline.
- Camp 100 feet from water and trails, and use existing sites when possible.
- Do not wash or bathe in lakes or streams. Use biodegradable soap far from water source.
- Stay on trail and do not shortcut switchbacks, which cause erosion.