

# North Anthracite Trail #832



The trail follows the North Anthracite Creek into the Anthracite Basin before it climbs steeply to Anthracite pass. Beyond the creek crossing, (which can be dangerous early in the season) there is a short, steep, narrow, rocky section before entering dense aspen. After crossing a couple of good water sources, the terrain opens up and turns east as it climbs via switchbacks through scattered aspen and conifer. There is a section of loose shale where the tread is poor and difficult to follow. The pass is in dense spruce but opens up to a panoramic view of Mount Justice and the Crystal Valley in the White River National Forest. From here it is 3 miles down to the historic town of Marble. Numerous wildlife, including deer, elk and bear frequent the North Anthracite Valley.

Don't forget your camera!



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### Trail Ethics:

The North Anthracite Trail is maintained for foot and horse travel. Please don't cut across switchbacks or create new trails.



### Motors & Machines:

Motorized vehicles and bicycles are not allowed on the North Ruby Anthracite Trail or in Wilderness areas.



### Drinking Water:

DO NOT drink water directly from a river or stream. Water needs to be treated first by either filtering, boiling for at least 10 minutes or treating with iodine tablets.



### Multiple use:

As you use this area you may notice that the Forest is managed for a broad range of uses. Recreation use alone includes hiking, horseback riding, hunting, snowmobiling and sightseeing. In addition, the vegetation in the Forest requires some form of management. Timber harvest and livestock grazing are both forms of land management you may encounter while using this area. The livestock grazing on this area is managed in a very progressive and specific manner. The fences and gates that you may see are critical to managing the livestock and meeting the resource objectives that are planned for this area. Please close all gates that you open as you travel through the area. Controlling the livestock in the manner that we have planned is important.



**Be prepared for inclement weather at all times.**

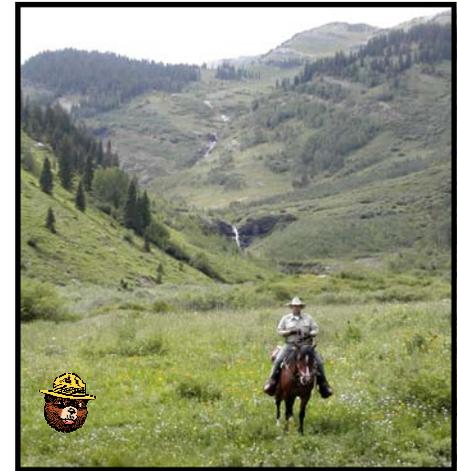
**Familiarize yourself with the area.**



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**Total Length 6.4 Miles  
5.4 Miles on the Paonia R.D.  
1 Mile on the Sopris R.D.**



*North Anthracite Basin  
Photo by Justin McConkey Paonia R.D.*

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**Trail Beginning:** Intersection with the Dark Canyon Trail #830.

**Trail Ending:** The Raspberry Trail #1968 on the White River National Forest.

**Access #1:** Dark Canyon Trail #830, 1/2 mile east of Erickson Springs Campground at Kebler Pass Road, County Road 12.

**Access #2:** Follow the Raspberry Trail #1968 on the Sopris Ranger District, White River National Forest, to the Anthracite Trail #1969 1 mile from Anthracite Pass.

**Use:** Foot and Horse

**Recommended Seasons:**



**USGS quad maps:** Marcellina Mountain and Marble

## Dispersed Camping

Dispersed camping is permitted in most areas of the Forest. Recreation maps are available at all local Forest Service offices and personnel can answer questions on specific sites. Camping in undeveloped areas requires more from the camper to help keep the site in the condition in which it was found. If you Pack it in-Pack it out!

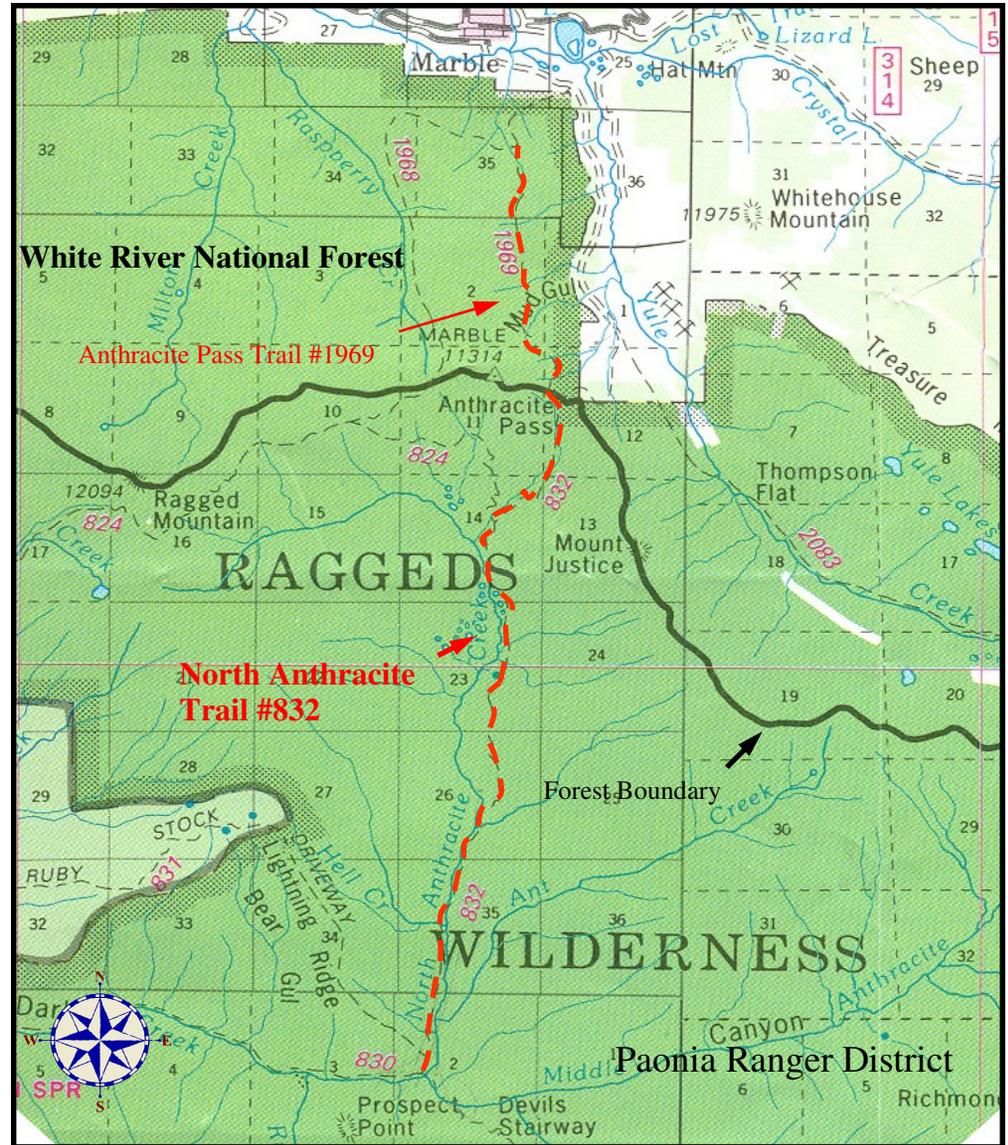
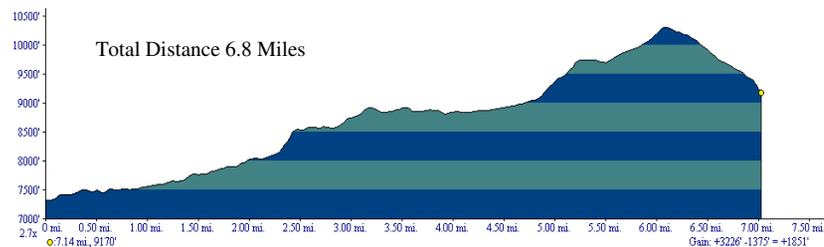


## Fire Safety:

Check in with your local Forest Service office to see if fire bans are in effect.



## Elevation Profile:



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1. Plan Ahead & Prepare
2. Travel & Camp on Durable Surfaces
3. Dispose of Waste Properly
4. Leave What You Find
5. Minimize Campfire Impacts
6. Respect Wildlife
7. Be Considerate of Other Visitors