

Lone Cabin Trail #876



*Mt. Gunnison on the left, Browning Ridge and the Chain Mountains.
Minnesota Pass center with the Lone Cabin Trail in the foreground.*

The Lone Cabin Trail is an old jeep road. The trail portion begins where Forest Road #798 intersects with a 2 track road leading to some private land. The first portion of the trail can be traveled with 4x4 vehicles as it travels through brush country down to cross the South Fork of Minnesota Creek. From there it generally follows the drainage as it slowly climbs to the south. The farther south the trail goes the more eroded and difficult it becomes until it eventually becomes an ATV trail. ATVs can be used to follow the trail to its end at the intersection with Curecanti Trail #870. From here on, motorized use is no longer permitted. The trail passes through country frequented by deer, elk and domestic cattle.

Don't forget your camera!



Please don't litter!

Trail Ethics:

The Lone Cabin Trail is maintained for foot, horse, bicycles, motorcycles & ATV travel. Please don't cut across switchbacks or create new trails.



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, OHV's, horseback riding, hunting, and sightseeing. In addition, the vegetation in the Forest requires some form of management. Livestock grazing is a form 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.

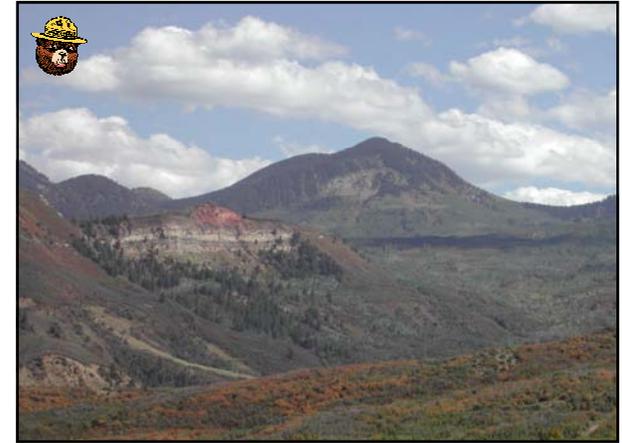
Familiarize yourself with the area.



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Length 5.0 Miles



*Browning Ridge
Photo taken from the Lone Cabin Trail
Photo by Dave Bradford Paonia R.D.*

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Trail Beginning: Forest Service Road #798.

Trail Ending: Curecanti Trail #870.

Access #1: From Paonia follow the Minnesota Creek road east to the Dry Gulch Road. Follow Dry Gulch Rd. to the Lone Cabin Rd. Follow Lone Cabin Rd to FSR #798 which turns into trail #876. This access is closed at the BLM boundary until about April 12 for winter elk range and calving.

Access #2: From Paonia follow the Minnesota Creek Road east to Beaver Reservoir then follow the Curecanti Trail #870 to its intersection with the Lone Cabin Trail.

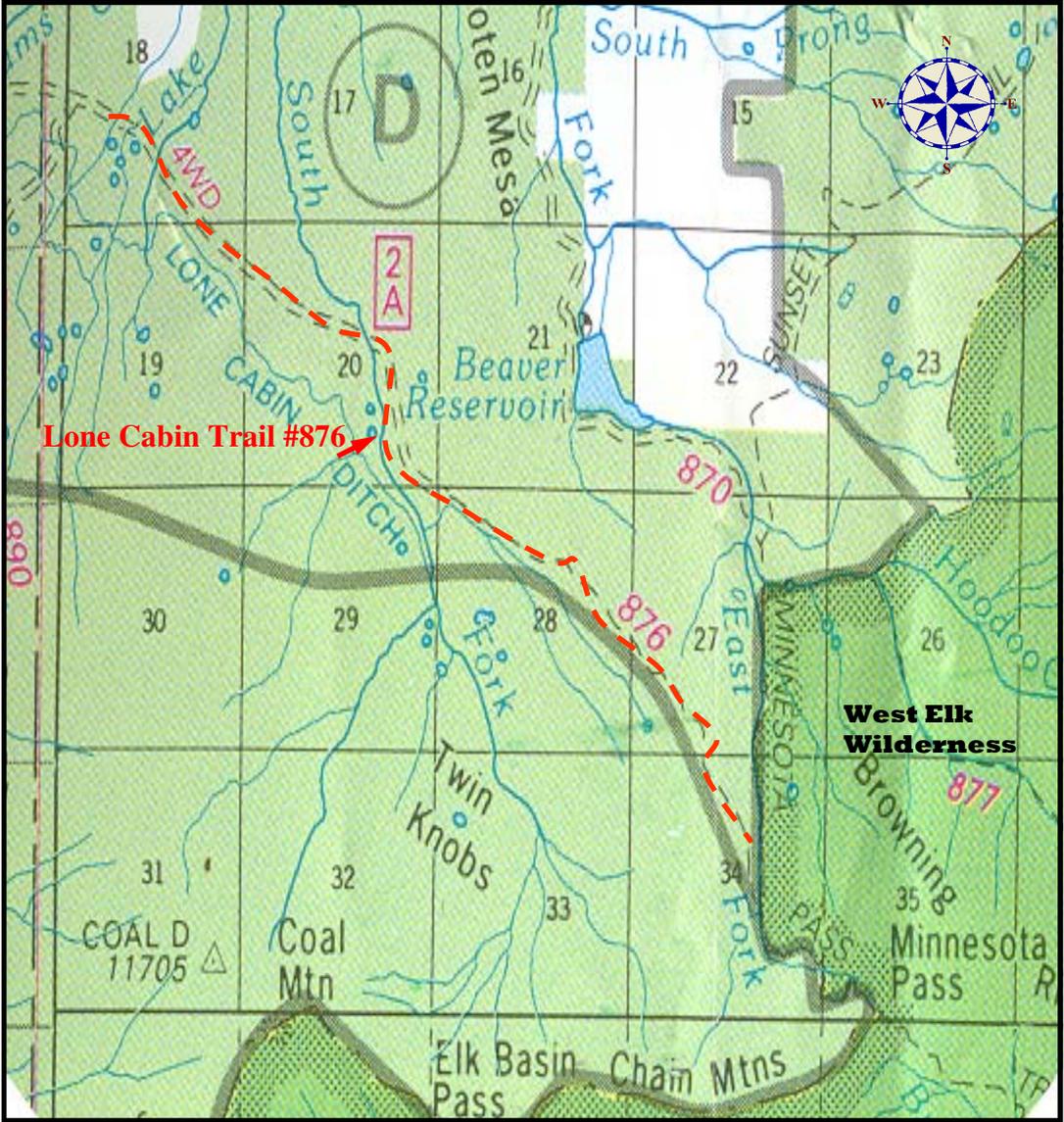
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Recommended Seasons:

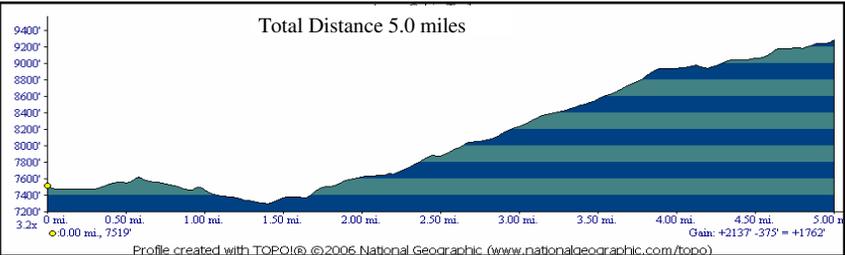
Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
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USGS quad maps: Paonia & Minnesota Pass

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!



Elevation Profile:



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



- Principles of Leave No Trace:**
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

