Commonly Used Road Cycling Routes

A classic Montrose ride highlighting one of the area's beautiful natural features, the Black Canyon. The steep climb to the canyon rim begins after the turn on HWY 347. The entrance to the park is 5.5 miles up HWY 347. If there's an attendant at the shack, cyclists must pay the entrance fee or show a NPS pass. The route continues for 7 miles to High Point, past the Visitor's Center, with amazing viewpoints along the way. Turn around and enjoy the ride down!
Note: The route beyond the Visitor's Center is not plowed in the winter and can sometimes be closed through May.

Legend

- Distances and elevations start at Park Ave and Main St for all rides
- Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park
- Bureau of Land Management
- Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area
- Bike Routes, Pavement-Gravel
- City and County Roads
- Bike Route Number
- Camping
- Picnic Tables
- Rest room
- Water

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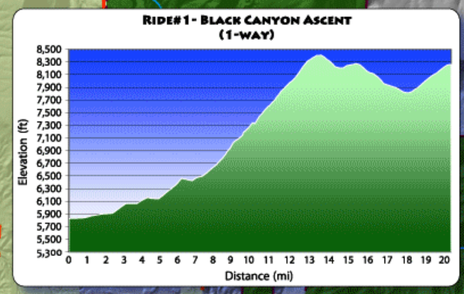
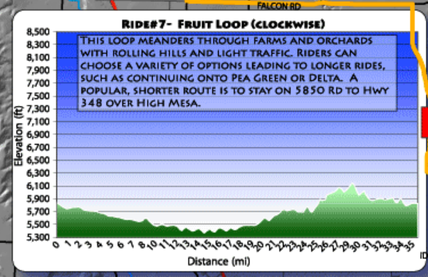
Ride#1- Black Canyon Ascent (1-way)



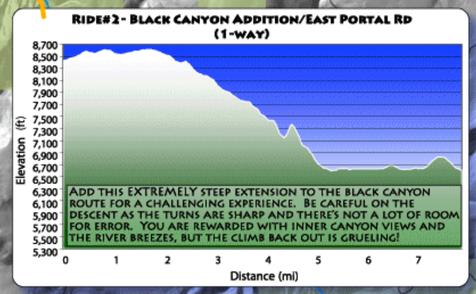
Ride#7- Fruit Loop (clockwise)

This loop meanders through farms and orchards with rolling hills and light traffic. Riders can choose a variety of options leading to longer rides, such as continuing onto Pea Green or Delta. A popular, shorter route is to stay on 5850 Rd to Hwy 348 over High Mesa.



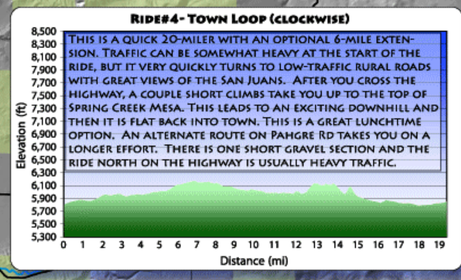
For information on the Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area, please call the BLM office at 970.240.5300 or vist the BLM Uncompahgre Field Office located at 2465 Townsend Ave. http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/ggn

Ride#2- Black Canyon Addition/East Portal Rd (1-way)

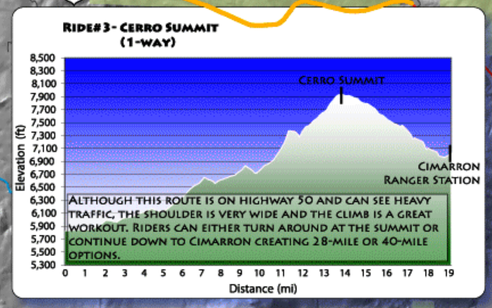


Ride#4- Town Loop (clockwise)

This is a quick 20-miler with an optional 6-mile extension. Traffic can be somewhat heavy at the start of the ride, but it very quickly turns to low-traffic rural roads with great views of the San Juans. After you cross the highway, a couple short climbs take you up to the top of Spring Creek Mesa. This leads to an exciting downhill and then it is flat back into town. This is a great lunchtime option. An alternate route on Pahgre Rd takes you on a longer effort. There is one short gravel section and the ride north on the highway is usually heavy traffic.

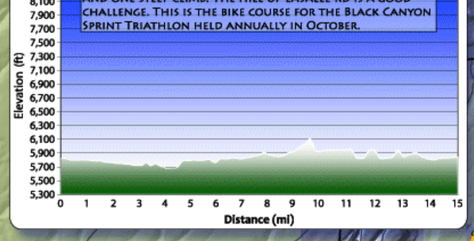


Ride#3- Cerro Summit (1-way)



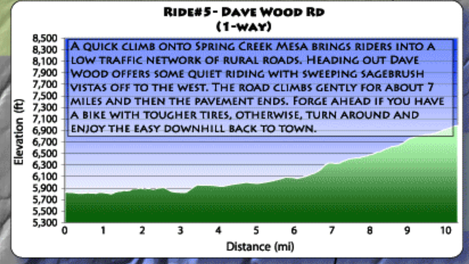
Ride#6- Spring Creek Loop (counter-clockwise)

This is another quick option with mostly flat roads and one steep climb. The hill up LaSalle Rd is a good challenge. This is the bike course for the Black Canyon Sprint Triathlon held annually in October.



Ride#5- Dave Wood Rd (1-way)

A quick climb onto Spring Creek Mesa brings riders into a low traffic network of rural roads. Heading out Dave Wood offers some quiet riding with sweeping sagebrush vistas off to the west. The road climbs gently for about 7 miles and then the pavement ends. Forge ahead if you have a bike with tougher tires, otherwise, turn around and enjoy the easy downhill back to town.



Cyclist enjoying the climb up Ranger Rd on the Town Loop

For mountain biking and hiking maps in BLM and National Forest lands on the Uncompahgre Plateau, please visit our local bike shops and Federal Land Agencies.

Ride on the right, in a straight line
Ride in the right lane with the flow of traffic. Riding on the left, against traffic is illegal and dangerous. Motorists and other road users are not looking for bicyclists on the wrong side of the road.

Obey traffic signs and signals
Know and obey all traffic laws.
It is illegal and dangerous to ride through stop sings, red lights, impede traffic, ride several abreast, or ride the wrong way down a street. Dont pass on the right and always ride defensively.

Ride single file
Persons operating bicycles on roadways shall ride single file. Riding two abreast is only permitted where cyclists don't impede traffic

Use lights and reflectors
When bicycling from sundown to sunrise or when weather or other conditions cause poor visibility, your bicycle must be equipped with a rear red reflector and reflectors on both sides that can be seen for 600 feet in a car's headlamps. You must also have a white front headlight that can be seen for at least 500 feet from the front of the bicycle.

Bicycles & traffic violations
A cyclist has all the rights and responsibilities applicable to the driver of any other vehicle except when specifically regulated by law or when certain regulations, by their nature, cannot apply to bicycles. Cyclists who violate traffic laws will be subject to the same penalties as drivers of motor vehicles.

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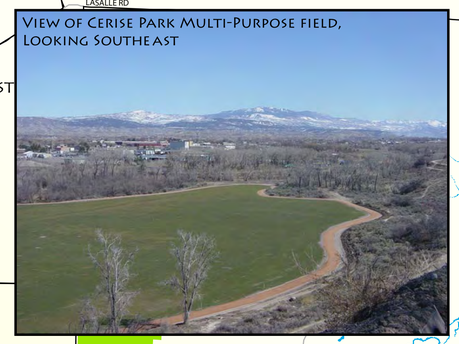
The City of Montrose is relying on, and does not waive or intend to waive by any provision of this Agreement, the monetary limitations (presently $150,000 per person and $600,000 per occurrence) or any other rights, immunities, and protections provided by the Colorado Governmental Immunity Act, (C.R.S. § 24 10 101 et seq.), as from time to time amended, or otherwise available to the City.



MONTROSE	ACRES	LOCATION	SHELTER	RESTROOM	ELECTRICITY	PLAYGROUND	PICNIC TABLES	BENCHES	BBQ	RIVER FISHING ACCESS POND/LAKE	SKATE PARK	DISC GOLF	HOCKEY RINK	BIKE PATH	HORSESHOES	VOLLEYBALL	BASKETBALL	BASEBALL FIELDS	SOCCER FIELDS	RESERVATIONS
COMMUNITY PARKS																				
TAVIWACH PARK	44.0	A1					X			X	X									
HOLLY PARK*	4.9	D5					X			X	X									
MCNEIL FIELDS*	23.0	C5																		
RIVERBOTTOM	29.7	C4	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X
ROTARY	10.3	E4	X	X	X		X	X			X									X
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UTE FIELDS*	5.7	C5		X				X										X		
NEIGBORHOOD PARKS																				
ALTRUSA	7.5	E4		X		X	X	X						X						X
AMERICAN	1.0	G5					X	X												
ARCHMONT	4.4	D3					X							X						
BUCKLEY	2.6	D2		X		X	X	X	X					X				X		X
COLORADO WEST	2.6	F1																		
COLUMBINE EAST	3.2	F3						X						X						
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HOMESTEAD	4.7	D1				X		X												
LARAZA	2.8	C3	X	X	X	X	X								X		X	X		X
LIONS	3.1	C2	X	X			X							X						X
RAINBOW MEADOWS	1.2	E6				X														
REGIONAL PARKS																				
BUCKHORN LAKES	560.0	INSET								X										
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CERRO SUMMIT RECREATIONAL AREA	106.0	INSET																		
UNCOMPAHGRE RIVER GREENWAY	8.1	D7					X	X		X				X						
URBAN PARKS																				
CENTENNIAL PLAZA	0.3	D3	X	X	X			X												X
DEMORET	0.2	C3			X		X	X												X
DUANES	0.7	D3						X						X						
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PUBLIC FACILITY																				
AQUATIC CENTER*	3.6	D4	X	X			X	X												
CHIPETA LAKE (DOW)	15.8	D7	X	X						X	X									
MONTROSE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS	33.3	D2																		
MONTROSE LIBRARY	2.5	D3		X				X												
MONTROSE PAVILION	8.4	F4		X				X												
UTE INDIAN MUSEUM	7.7	D8		X			X	X		X					X					

* MONTROSE RECREATION DISTRICT

Legend

- Parks and Public Facilities
- Golf Course
- School
- Cemetery
- Recreation Trails, concrete
- Recreation Trails, dirt

City Streets and Highways

- Major Roads, Highways
- Collectors
- Residential
- Railroad

- Airport
- Aquatic Center
- Montrose Assn. of Commerce & Tourism
- City Hall
- Fire Station
- Library
- Montrose Memorial Hospital
- Montrose Museums
- Police Department
- Public Lands Center BLM/Forest Service
- Public Schools
- Fishing Access within public properties

Geographic Information System — City of Montrose

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Montrose Assn. of Commerce and tourism -970.249.5000
Police-970.252.5200
Sheriff-970.252.4023
Hospital-970.249.2211
Emergency Services-911
BLM-970.240.5300

To Buckhorn Lakes and Cerro Summit Recreation Areas

Cerro Summit Recreation Area is a 108 acre park used mainly for winter recreation such as sledding, skiing, and tubing. Summer months offer mountain biking.

Buckhorn Lakes is a 560 acre City of Montrose Mountain Park. The major attractions are picnicing, camping, fishing and enjoying the cool mountain air in the summer months.

Welcome to the City of Montrose!

Bike Routes, Parks, and Trails Map

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