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## Trail Tips:

Trails are generally free of snow July to mid-October.

All trails are open to hikers. Most are also open to mountain bikers and equestrians. Please check the Grand Mesa National Forest Travel Map for specific restrictions.

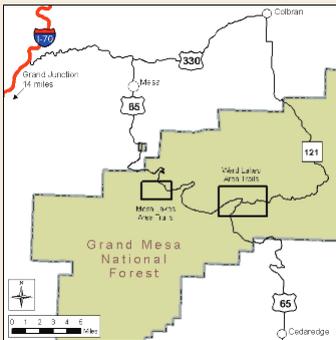
Please maintain control of your pet at all times.

Weather conditions change rapidly. Be prepared for cool temperatures, rain showers, lightning, and mid-afternoon thunderstorms.

Wear ample mosquito repellent. Mosquitoes are plentiful from mid-June through August.

Bring plenty of drinking water and snacks.

Trails are at an elevation of 9,000 to 11,000 feet. Altitude can cause symptoms such as faster breathing and shortness of breath. These are normal responses of your body. However, headache, nausea, vomiting or unusual tiredness are symptoms of altitude sickness. A person with altitude sickness should rest, eat quick energy foods, drink water and start down the mountain as soon as possible.



## Mesa Lakes Hiking Trails



**Legend**

- Campground
- Picnic Area
- Visitors Center
- Trailhead
- Church Camp
- FS Admin. Site
- Trail
- Intermittent Lake

**Roads**

- Paved
- Gravel
- Native Surface
- Vehicle Gate

## Trail Information

Mesa Lake Area Trails:	Length	Difficulty	Info
Mesa Lake Shoreline #503	1.5	E	3-foot wide surface trail; provides loop around Mesa Lake.
Lost Lake #502	1.5	M	Lakes, forest, and basalt rock fields. Trail climbs several hundred feet in elevation.
Rim View Trail #533	2.9	M	Forest, meadow, 2 miles to rim of Mesa with views of Mesa Creek.
Glacier Springs Cut-off #537	0.5	M	Connects Mesa Lake Shore Trail to Rim View Trail.
Mesa Creek Trail #505	1.2	M	Down Mesa Creek Drainage to Hwy. 65.
West Bench Trail #501	5.9	M	Ends at top of Powderhorn Ski Area, near Lift #2.

**TH** PARKING is available at Jumbo reservoir, along Hwy. 65, and at Glacier Springs Picnic Area (south of Beaver Lake) for Mesa Lake Trails.

Ward Lake Area Trails:	Length	Difficulty	Info
Land-O-Lakes #713	0.5	E	Paved trail, 4 interpretive signs, and outstanding views.
Ward Lake #744	1.25	E	Circles Ward Lake, connects campground and picnic area.
GM Discovery Trail #745	0.3	E	Self-guiding interpretive trail at Grand Mesa Visitor Center.
Cobbett Lake #747	0.6	E	Circles Cobbett Lake.
Cobbett Lake #746	0.3	E	Connects Cobbett Campground to Ward Campground and Lake.
Cobbett to Crag Crest #749	1.0	M	Connects Cobbett Lake/Campground to Crag Crest Trail.
Island Lake #748	1.7	E	Trail along south shore. Connects campgrounds, boat launch, and GM Visitor Center.
Baron Lake #751	1.3	E	Connects Ward Way Picnic Area to Baron Lake. Passes Alexander Lake.
Crag Crest #711 & 711.1A	10.3	D	Loop trail. Consult Crag Crest Trail Brochure.

**TH** PARKING is available at the Grand Mesa Visitor Center for all Ward Lake Area Trails. Land-O-Lakes has its own parking area.

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