

Cedar Creek Trails



Attractions

Located within Ruidoso, NM along Cedar Creek Rd. are approximately 13 miles of custom made and/or improved pedestrian and mountain biking trails for which hiking and horseback riding are also permitted.

Trail #	Trail Name	Length (miles)	Uses Allowed
90	Fitness	1.3	
120	Cedar Creek Ridge	1.6	
120A	Lower Cedar Creek	1.5	
120B	Connector	0.1	
120C	Beginner Loop	1.1	
120D	Upper Cut	0.4	
120E	Upper Cedar Creek	3.4	
120F	Downhill Bike	1.3	
121	Lower Jerryatrics	2.2	
121A	Upper Jerryatrics	3.5	

Figure 1: Trail matrix

Access

There are three main trailheads in the area. To access the Cedar Creek North trails, parking is approximately 200' from the intersection of Mechem and Cedar Creek Road. 100' further along Cedar Creek Rd. is the parking for the Fitness and southern trails. To access the downhill trail quickly, parking is available at the water towers along 214 Catron Dr.

Use

The area is open all year but snow and icy conditions may be present in the winter months. Trails in this area are considered moderate difficulty for mountain bikes due to steep climbs and descents with narrow treads. It is considered easy difficulty for hiking and horseback riding. There are no corrals for horses or other pack animals in the area.

The **DOWNHILL Trail** is exclusively designed for **ONLY mountain bikes** and offers advanced trail designs including jumps. It travels downhill only and can be accessed via the Cedar Creek Ridge trail (T120).

Facilities

Restrooms are available at either the Cedar Creek Picnic Area or Sam Tobias Campground when open to the public – summer months. No other developed features are available in the area. Be sure to **PACK OUT WHAT YOU PACK IN** to leave your public lands better than found them. There are **facilities for WATER** at the picnic area and camp site when open. Plan on bringing your own.

Narrative

This trail system is generally rated excellent by all users for scenery and interest. Forested in parts with lovely open meadows and views of Sierra Blanca abound throughout the system. Short and long loops are available.

Please keep in mind that your average elevation is approximately 7,500' and at these elevations it can be hot in the summer and cold and icy in the winter.

As always, let someone know before you go.

ALL PETS MUST BE ON A LEASH

Please call or visit the Smokey Bear Ranger District in Ruidoso at (575) 257-4095 for more information.

To download and use the geopdf map available (below link) you will need to have a QR Code reader and program such as Avenza on your smart phone.



Figure 2: Download the geopdf of the map of the trails



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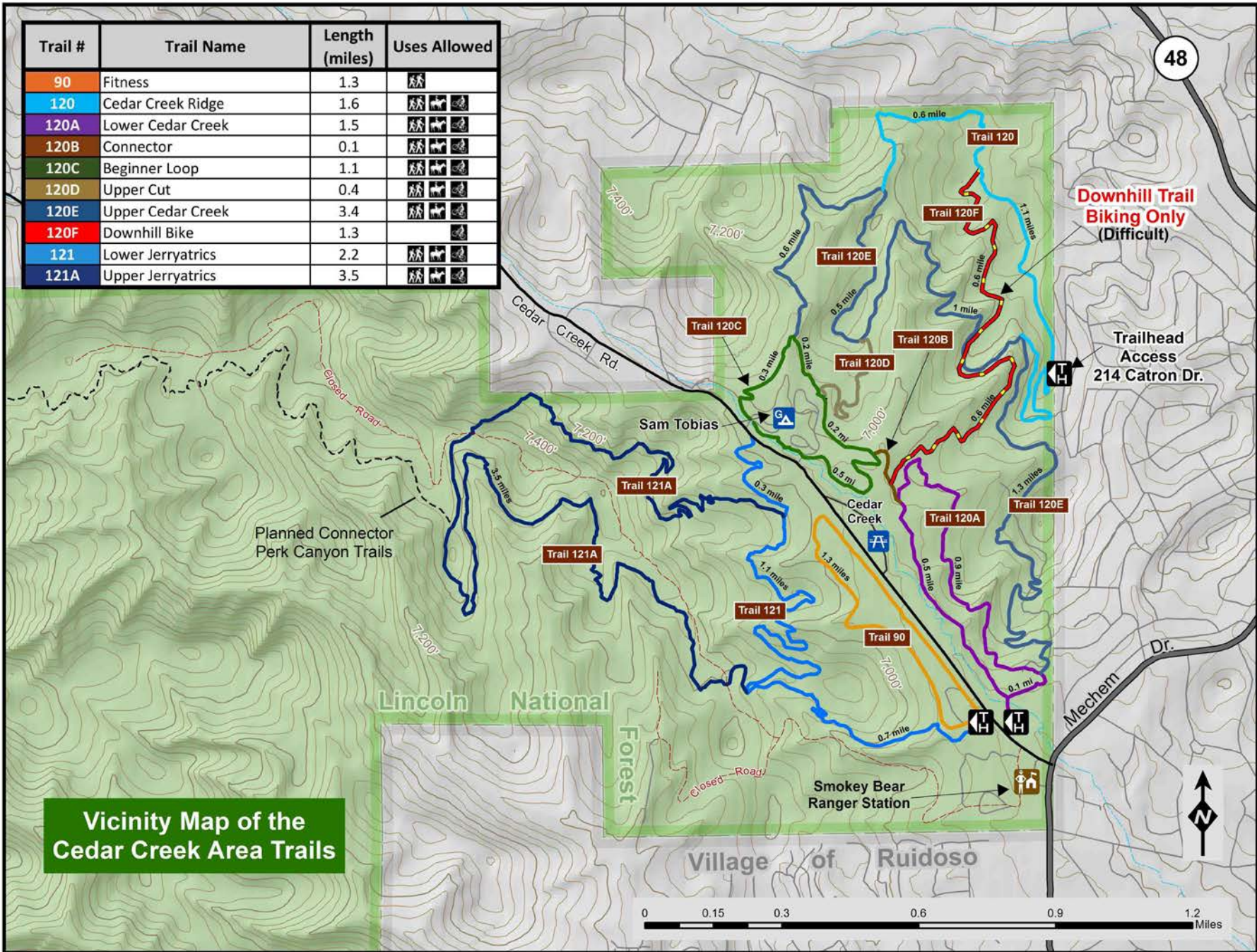


Figure 1: Map of the Cedar Creek area trails

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