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## **LILY PAD LAKE - FDT 50**

**Difficulty:** EASY TO MODERATE

Trail Use: Heavy

**Length:** 1.4 miles (one-way)

**Elevation:** Starts at 9,825 feet and ends at 9,917 feet (highest point 9,952 feet)

Elevation Gain: +127 feet - 35 feet = +92 feet
Open To: HIKING, X-C SKIING, SNOWSHOEING

## Access:

- From I-70 take Exit 205, Silverthorne / Dillon, and travel north on HWY 9 to the first traffic light, turn left onto Wildernest Road. In 0.2 miles, turn left onto Wildernest Road (again).
- Travel 3.6 miles on Wildernest Road (turns into Ryan Gulch Road). You will pass many condos and at the top of the hill there will be a trailhead parking area on the left.
- There are two trailheads that leave from this parking lot, be sure to start at Lily Pad Lake Trailhead.

## **Trail Highlights:**

- This trail enters the Eagles Nest Wilderness Area (see below for regulations).
- There are great views of the Dillon Reservoir and the entire Blue River Valley from the trailhead.
- The trail travels south from the trailhead, through thick stands of lodgepole pine and aspen.
- Along the trail you will cross some small streams and several beaver ponds will be visible from the trail. These beaver ponds attracted fur trappers during 1810 - 1840, the boom years of the fur trade.
- You may turn around and return the same way or continue south toward the Meadow Creek Trail (FDT 33). This will require a car shuttle or ride the free Summit County bus back to the trailhead.

## **Eagles Nest Wilderness Regulations:**

- Motor vehicles, mountain bikes, and motorized equipment are prohibited.
- DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES IN THE EAGLES NEST WILDERNESS.
- Group size is limited to 15 people.
- Camping is prohibited within 100 feet of lakes, streams and trails.
- Campfires are prohibited at Lily Pad lake (stoves only).
- Please contact Dillon Ranger District office for more information and regulations regarding the Eagles Nest Wilderness Area.

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