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## **PTARMIGAN - FDT 35**

**Difficulty:** MODERATE TO MORE DIFFICULT

Trail Use: Moderate

**Length:** 6.1 miles one-way to summit of Ptarmigan Pass

**Elevation:** Start at 9,362 feet and ends at 11,785 feet (highest point 11,785 feet)

**Elevation Gain:** +2,827 feet - 404 feet = +2,423 feet

Open To: HIKING, HORSE, MTN. BIKING\*\*\*, X-C SKIING, SNOWSHOEING

\*\*\* Mountain Biking is prohibited beyond the Ptarmigan Peak Wilderness Boundary

## Access:

- From I-70 take Exit 205, Silverthorne / Dillon, and travel north on HWY 9 for approximately 0.2 miles to the intersection of Wildernest Drive / Rainbow Drive, (Wendy's is on the corner).
- Turn right onto Rainbow Drive and then right onto Tanglewood Lane.
- Follow Tanglewood Lane to Ptarmigan Trail Rd and turn right. Follow this road for approximately 0.8 miles to the trailhead parking, which is on the right side of the road.
- The trail starts across the road from the parking area. There are arrows to guide you to the trailhead from the parking area through the private homes.

## **Trail Highlights:**

- The Ptarmigan Trail is an excellent trail to experience a panoramic view of all the mountain ranges in the Dillon Ranger District - the Continental Divide, Gore Range, Tenmile Range and Williams Fork Range.
- Approximately 3.5 miles from the trailhead you will come to the Ptarmigan Peak Wilderness boundary and a fork in the trail. At this point you may either continue on to the summit or turn right at the Wilderness boundary and follow the right fork back down to the trailhead.
- Approximately 0.5 miles past the Wilderness boundary you will come to another fork in the trail.
  Follow to the right to travel to Ptarmigan Pass, elevation 11,777 feet, and on into the Arapaho National Forest; or continue straight to the summit of Ptarmigan Peak, elevation 12,498 feet.

## Ptarmigan Peak 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.
- Please contact Dillon Ranger District office for more information and regulations regarding the Ptarmigan Peak Wilderness Area.

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