

# OUR PARKS & TRAILS

Palmer Lake has many parks and trails with lots of hiking opportunities.

**Centennial Park** features Palmer Lake, the town's namesake, and has a walking trail that encircles the lake. A volleyball court, 18-hole disc golf course, and a children's playground can all be found on the east side of the park. There are picnic tables and viewing benches all around the lake and a pavilion and gazebo are available for rental. There is parking on north, west and south sides of the lake.

Centennial Park also features connections to both the **Santa Fe Regional Trail** and **Santa Fe Open Space**.

The **Palmer Lake Reservoir Trail** offers hiking trails to the lower and upper reservoirs. There is a parking fee at the trailhead which helps to maintain our parks.

**Creekside Trail** runs along North Monument Creek and is a easy hike for families.

**Glen Park** is a historic park dating back to the 1890s that features a playground, picnic tables and a tennis/pickleball court. This beautiful park is full of tall pine trees, Aspen trees, wildflowers, and meandering trails—all of which are great for bird watchers.

**Columbine Park** is a pocket park, tucked in the middle of a small residential neighborhood. It boasts a basketball court and some of the prettiest flowers in town.

**Greenland Open Space and Trail** is located immediately north of the Centennial Park entrance and has trails that allow horses, hikers, bikers, and runners, as well as access to some of the most beautiful views in the Palmer Lake area.



*"Take nothing but pictures.  
Leave nothing but footprints."*

– Aliyyah Eniath

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## WELCOME TO PALMER LAKE, COLORADO

## TRAILS & PARKS

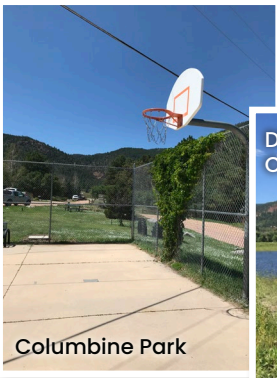
We are a historic town that was founded in 1871 by General William Palmer, founder of Colorado Springs.

Our town is situated adjacent to Pike National Forest, between Denver and Colorado Springs.

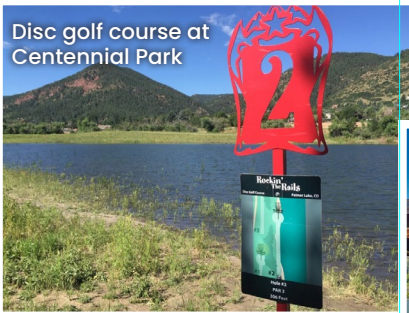


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# ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT OUR PARKS



Columbine Park



Disc golf course at Centennial Park



Centennial Park



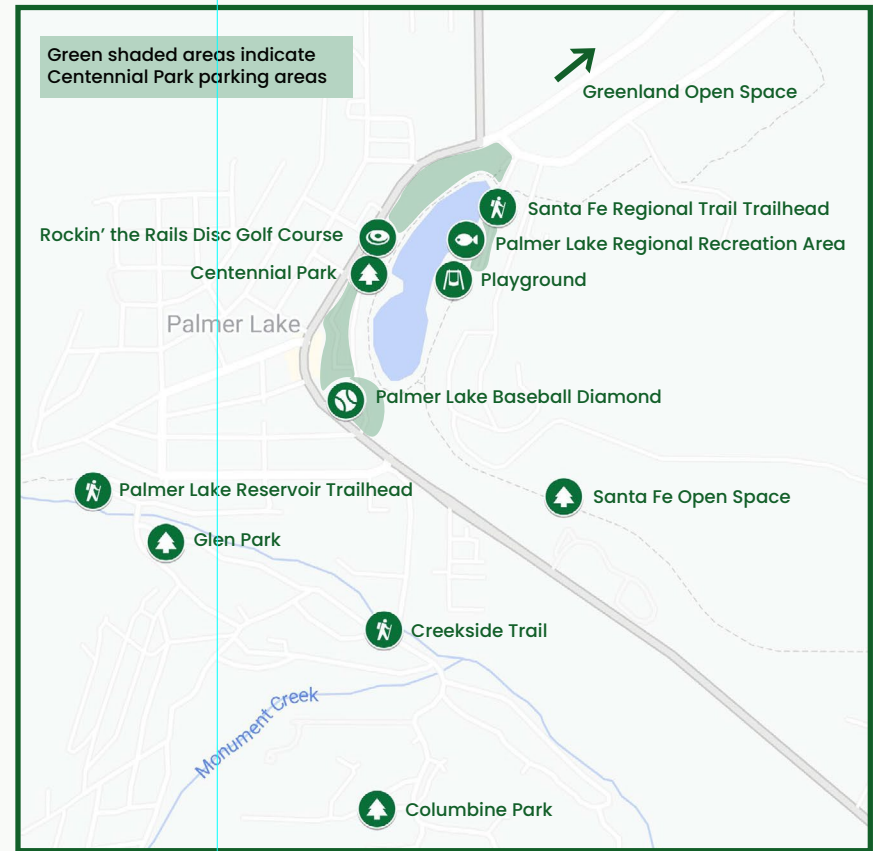
Gazebo on west side of lake



Pavilion on east side of lake



Centennial Park



## ABOUT SANTA FE OPEN SPACE & TRAIL

The **New Santa Fe Regional Trail** is part of the American Discovery Trail. It has a straight and level gravel road for 10 miles, which begins at Palmer Lake and ends at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

The 60-acre **Santa Fe Open Space** has roughly two miles of nonmotorized trail and offers users of the adjacent New Santa Fe Regional Trail an opportunity to experience a more natural foothills environment. The terrain is very mild, ranging approximately 150 feet in elevation. It's a great place for families to go hiking, biking, horseback riding, dog walking, and running.

Many **local landmarks** can be seen from within the open space, including: Ben Lomand Mountain, Sundance Mountain, Chautauqua Mountain, and Limbaugh Canyon. Santa Fe Open Space is a high value wildlife habitat, with much potential for animal sightings.

