

# Hamp Hut



*Hamp Hut*

*2655 Garden Drive*

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For more pictures of Hamp Hut, visit our [Flickr album](#).



## Check in and Arrival

- **Check in is 3:00 PM (MST)** the first day of your reservation
- **Check out is 12:00 PM (MST)** the last day of your reservation
- The lockbox with the keys for the property is located on the back of the post with the street address where you turn off of Garden Dr.
- After you have arrived close the gate. The gate must be closed at all times per Colorado Springs Park Rules, and could result in a fine if it is open. The gate may remain open while you wait for all guests to arrive, then lock the gate for the duration of your stay.
- Note: that if the gate is unlocked when you arrive please leave it unlocked—there are maintenance staff who work on the property. They will lock it behind them.
- **Garden of the Gods Park is closed overnight. NO vehicle travel is allowed during this time.**
  - May 1-October 31: Closed from 10pm to 5am
  - November 1-April 30: Closed from 9pm to 5am
  - *There is a lockbox in the kitchen with an emergency key to get out of the park. This is to be used in an emergency only!*
    - Code: 74065
  - **You MUST notify the Site Manager or Assistant Camp Director immediately if you have to use the emergency key!**
- **There are no outdoor flames allowed at Hamp Hut**, including fire pits or charcoal fires. Tabletop grills are permitted. If there is an additional fire restriction you will be alerted by the park rangers.
- For up-to-date information on road conditions in the area please visit [cotrip.org](http://cotrip.org).
- There is Wi-Fi internet access at Hamp Hut. Instructions for the internet are posted at the site.

## Parking

- There is parking for up to six vehicles at Hamp Hut; guests are encouraged to carpool. Vehicles may be parked on the dirt driveway in front of Hamp Hut.
- Please leave the driveway entrance open for the park rangers. Do not park outside the gate cable, in front of the shed in the back area of the parking lot, by the maintenance building, or in front of the Dumpster.
- Between September and April we suggest that guests only bring all-wheel or front-wheel drive vehicles, or have chains on hand in case of snow.
- No RVs are permitted on the property.

# Our Property

## Kitchen Facilities

Hamp Hut's kitchen is fully stocked and ready for use. It includes a stove, oven, microwave, and refrigerator, as well as small appliances. Pots, pans, dishes and utensils are supplied in the kitchen. **All you need to bring is food, seasonings, tin foil, paper towels, and/or other disposable products.**



## Bedroom



Hamp Hut has one large bedroom. 30 mattresses are provided for guests to sleep on the floor, as there are no bed frames. Outside camping is not permitted at Hamp Hut due to Colorado Springs Park Rules. GSUSA rules prohibit males from sleeping in the same room as girls, so any men coming should be prepared to sleep in their car or truck during their stay.

## Bathroom Facilities

Hamp Hut is equipped with running water, and has two toilets, one sink and a shower. Toilet paper and basic cleaning supplies are provided, **guests should bring all other toiletries, including hand soap and paper towels.**



## Living Room and Indoor Fireplace



Hamp Hut has a spacious living room, complete with couches and tables for meals and crafts. There is a large fireplace inside for use. (Note: There can be no outdoor flames at Hamp Hut, including fires outside or charcoal grills. Tabletop grills are acceptable for cooking.) **Firewood is not provided at Hamp Hut; guests will need to bring their own firewood, as well as matches and kindling.** Guests may need to clean the ashes out of the fireplace before use.

## Activities in the Area

Garden of the Gods is a National Natural Landmark and public park. Its beautiful rock formations are naturally formed, and the park is full of scenic hiking trails. The Visitor Center is open 9 AM to 5 PM during the winter and 8 AM to 7 PM Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. The visitor center is free and has plenty of information about the park and maps of hiking trails and formations in the park.



Garden of the Gods Park

Activities available in the Garden of the Gods park:

- Hiking and biking
- Learning about nature and geology
- Photography
- Rock Climbing with Front Range Climbing Company (Please call 719-632-5822 or email [info@frontrangeclimbing.com](mailto:info@frontrangeclimbing.com))
- Horseback riding at Academy Riding Stables (Please call 719-633-5667 for information)

The Colorado Springs area has a number of fun activities close to Hamp Hut. They include:

- Cheyenne Mountain Zoo
- Cave of the Winds
- Manitou Cliff Dwellings
- Pikes Peak Mountain
  - Guests may drive up the mountain for \$40/car of up to 5 people (May 21st to September 3rd)
  - Barr Trail is available to hike in the summer
  - Cog Railway Train available year round
- Santa's Workshop Amusement Park (May to December)
- Echo Canyon white water rafting
- Royal Gorge Bridge
- The Broadmoor's Seven Falls
- Olympic Training Facility

# Safety and First Aid

Guests are responsible for the health and safety of all members of their group. Each group must have at least one person who has taken the Overnight Trips training, and who has read the following safety procedures. Additional safety information can be found in our [Handbook for Site Users](#), including what to do in the case of an emergency.

- Hamp Hut is located on land owned by the City of Colorado Springs, and is a part of the Garden of the Gods Park. As such, the land is not closed off, and guests staying at Hamp Hut may see hikers using the trails near the building.
- Proper adult to girl ratios as listed in [Volunteer Essentials](#) should be maintained at all times. Adults must be 18 or older and children must be supervised at all times.
- Adults supervising additional children that are not part of the Girl Scout group, cannot be included as a supervising adult in the adult to girl ratio.
- **Always stay on the marked trails at Hamp Hut, and do not allow girls to walk in the woods.**
- The group leader is responsible for the supervision and conduct of all group members. The Site Manager or Camp Director, where applicable, cannot take responsibility for children who arrive early or leave late. Every participant must have a health history and a signed consent to treat form carried by their leader. The leader should have a list of all participants on site.
- Each group must have at least one adult who is First Aid/CPR certified, this person is responsible for providing first aid for their group. Each group must bring their own First Aid kit with them, with all supplies that may be needed.
- For large events, the first aid representative from the hosting group can help. Site Managers and Camp Staff living at camp are not responsible for first aid in any circumstances.
- Medications that need to be administered should be managed by the troop leader: be sure to pack anything over the counter you might need, plus anything that parents have given you to administer to their child.
- Keep medications stored in a secure place away from access of any children. Make sure all adults know the location of applicable emergency medications such as epi-pens and inhalers.
- All locked buildings, pastures, barns, sheds, ropes courses, zip lines, and other areas as posted, are off-limits, unless accompanied by a GSCO employee and prior arrangements are made.
- Food should be kept in ice chests, wooden or metal boxes, car trucks, or “bear bags”. Never keep food in tents, tabins, or seasonal units. Animals and insects are attracted to food and garbage and are not deterred by plastic, paper, or fabric.
- Use established roads, trails and fire circles. Mountain terrain is delicate and we all share responsibility for preserving it.
- Do not harm, touch, or feed the wildlife. This includes birds and squirrels.
- Prior to camp, review procedures with children of what to do if they become lost or separated from the group.
- Designate a meeting spot at every site you are staying at or visiting.
- If a camper is missing, look in logical places first and be systematic when searching. Get a description of lost camper and search in pairs while keeping sight and sound of each other. Notify the Assistant Camp Director/Camp Staff if child is not found in 15 minutes, then call parents and emergency numbers (posted by the phone).



# Garden of the Gods Map

## Garden Of The Gods Park

Park Hours: May 1 to October 31: 5am-11pm / November 1 to April 30: 5am-9pm  
 Call (719) 385-5940 for picnic reservations, and (719) 578-6146 or (719) 578-6147 for park information

### Park Programs:

**Nature Walks:** Daily 10am and 2 pm. Park naturalists will take you on a 45-minute walk exploring the geology, history, flora and fauna of the Park. Walks are conducted on various trails throughout the park. Check at the Visitor Center for more information.

**Nature Talks:** Park naturalists also present short interpretive programs. Check at the Visitor Center for times and locations, or call 219-0108 for more information.

**Living History Tour:** The Rock Ledge Ranch offers a tour that introduces the history and people of the Pikes Peak Region. (See reverse for more information.)

### Enjoy One of the Many Trails:

Hiking, biking, and horseback riding offer unique views and experiences of the Garden. Please keep in mind that due to the highly erosive soils in the western portion of the Park, mountain biking is permitted off-road ONLY within the designated mountain bike area (generally east of Ridge Rd and south of Gateway Rd). For everyone's safety, please remember trail etiquette on any trail system.



### Garden Rock Formations:

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 Balanced Rock                | 11 Siamese Twins          |
| 2 Cathedral Spires             | 12 Signature Rock         |
| 3 Giant Footprints             | 13 Sleeping Giant         |
| 4 Gray Rock (Cathedral Rock)   | 14 South Gateway Rock     |
| 5 Keyhole Window               | 15 Steamboat Rock         |
| 6 Kissing Camels               | 16 Three Graces           |
| 7 North Gateway Rock           | 17 Toad & Toadstool Rocks |
| 8 Pulpit Rock                  | 18 Tower of Babel         |
| 9 Scotsman                     | 19 White Rock             |
| 10 Sentinel Rock (Twin Spires) |                           |

**Enjoy the Rocks from the ground.** Serious and fatal rock climbing accidents have occurred during the Park's history. It is easier to climb up than to climb down. Save yourself from a dangerous predicament by staying on the ground!

**Technical climbers are required to register at the Visitor Center. Technical climbing is permitted in groups of two or more with proper climbing equipment. ALL OTHER CLIMBING OVER 10ft OFF THE GROUND IS ILLEGAL, and may result in a fine of up to \$500 and/or 90 days in jail.**



## Park Gate and Emergency Exit

Per new rules from the City of Colorado Springs, the gates to the Garden of the Gods park will be closed starting at 9:00 p.m. (November—May) or 10:00 p.m. (May—October) until 5:00 a.m. every day. All guests staying at Hamp Hut must arrive prior to the park gate closing.

**In the case of an emergency** (such as a fire, a weather emergency, or an illness/accident) there is an emergency key to open the gates to the park in Hamp Hut, inside a lockbox labelled as the gate key for emergency exit. The code to this lockbox will be the same as the code for the lockbox to get into the property. Guests may use this key to exit the park if the gates are closed.

Guests are not permitted to use this key except for in case of emergency. If you must exit the park

## Clean Up

Guests are expected to clean up after their use. Girl Scouts are expected to leave sites cleaner than they found them. Be sure to complete all of the following:

- Sweep and mop each room
  - Mop water can be dumped out in the parking lot
  - Rinse and squeeze mop heads, store upside down in closet
  - Do not leave wet mops in bucket
- Wipe down all tables, table cloths, and counters
  - Cleaner is under the kitchen sink and rags are in the cleaning closet
- Wash, dry, and put away all dishes
- Wipe out microwave and refrigerator
- Do not pour grease down sink
  - Pour cooled grease into cans and dispose of in Dumpster
- Clean bathroom sinks, mirrors, and toilets
- Stack mattresses
- Collect and take all trash to the Dumpster in the parking lot
  - Do not leave trash on top of Dumpster
  - Put trash completely in Dumpster so wildlife will not be able to get it

## Check Out

Please be sure to complete the following items upon your departure:

- Make sure that all windows are closed and locked
- Lock all doors from the outside
  - Please leave the doors unlocked on the inside
- Close and lock the gate
- Return the keys to the lock box
  - Put the keys in upside down to ensure the lock box closes
  - Do not put new key chains on the keys or the lock box will not close properly

# Driving Directions

Online and GPS directions to Hamp Hut are not correct. Use these directions to avoid getting lost.

## From I-25

- Take I-25 South to Exit 146 for Garden of the Gods Road
- Turn right on Garden of the Gods Road for 2.5 miles
- Turn left onto 30th Street
- In a little over a mile, the Garden of the Gods Visitor and Nature Center will be on your left
- Turn right into Garden of the Gods Park on Garden Drive
- Go 1.9 miles, and just after Scottsman picnic area on your left, there's a horse crossing sign on the right side of the road
- Turn left onto a dirt road with a small sign saying 2655/2665 Garden Drive
  - **The lockbox is located on the back on this post**
- At the fork in the drive take the left fork and continue through the parking lot to Hamp Hut

## From Highway US-24

- Take US-24 to the Manitou Ave Exit West
- Turn right on Garden of the Gods Road
- Turn right on El Paso Blvd
- Turn left onto Garden Drive
- Garden Drive will turn onto Garden Lane, stay on Garden Lane until it turns back into Garden Drive
- Turn left at the dirt road with a small sign saying 2655/2665 Garden Drive
  - **The lockbox is located on the back on this post**

# Road Map

