



White Rock Trails

Map	Trail Name	Difficulty	Route Type	Distance	Elev. Gain
1	White Rock Canyon Rim	Easy	Out & Back	1.4 / 2.8 mi 2.3 / 4.6 km	30
2	Blue Dot	Moderate	Out & Back	0.9 / 1.8 mi 1.4 / 2.8 km	790
3	Red Dot	Moderate	Loop	4.8 mi 7.7 km	1,270
4	River Trail	Moderate	Out & Back	>4.2 mi / >6.8 km	50
5	Water Canyon Loop	Moderate	Loop	5.8 mi 9.4 km	600
6	Powerline Point	Easy	Out & Back	2.4 / 4.8 mi 3.4 / 6.8 km	430

Trail Difficulty provided by Alltrails.com

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The Los Alamos County Trail Network is open to non-motorized use only.

Resource Protection: All cultural resources such as Ancestral Pueblo room blocks, pot sherds, petroglyphs, and historical artifacts are protected by Federal and State law. Let all cultural resources lie undisturbed.

Share the Trail: These are multi-use trails for pedestrians, equestrians, and bicyclists. Bicyclists should yield to all other users.



Dogs in Los Alamos County Open Space: All dogs must be on a leash when within 100 yards of a trailhead. Dogs must be under voice and sight control at all times.

Safety: When exploring trails, always carry water, sunscreen, a hat, extra clothing, a flashlight, and a navigational aid.

More Info @

www.losalamosnm.us/government/departments/community_services/parks_recreation_and_open_spaces/openspaceandtrails

1. White Rock Canyon Rim Trail

This trail can be hiked as a simple out and back (2.8 miles round trip) or as part of the larger White Rock Canyon Trail Loop.

2. Blue Dot Trail

The Blue Dot Trail, developed as a livestock passage in the 1930s, descends steep switchbacks to reach the river. From there, it connects to the Red Dot which takes one back out of the canyon and onto the White Rock Canyon Rim Trail to form the White Rock Canyon Loop (7.1 miles).

The canyon is rough, the rocks sharp-edged, the trip fairly long, and the climb out is steep. The trip normally takes a long half day, but hikers should take time to enjoy the Rio Grande, and to watch for petroglyphs that adorn many of the rocks in the canyon. Take along plenty of water, food, sunscreen, and energy. The canyon is hot at mid-day in summer, but spring and fall are ideal times to explore the gorge.

3. Red Dot Trail

This trail can be walked separately or as part of the White Rock Canyon Loop. As a separate trail, it can be accessed from the western trail parking lot. The ancient Red Dot Trail, more formally the Pajarito Springs Trail, drops quickly to the small stream born from the springs of Pajarito Canyon and follows the stream to the river.

4. River Trail

This trail parallels the river and is accessible via the Blue or Red Dot trails. Depending upon how the trail is accessed, distance will be greater than 4.2 mi / 6.8 km as a simple out and back.

5. Water Canyon Loop

This trail traverses the upper bench and lower Water Canyon. Little shade available so the hike can be very hot during the summer months.

6. Powerline Point Trail

This is a simple out and back trail along a ridge. The trail is predominantly a two-track which parallels a powerline.

