



MAJESTIC VIEW NATURE CENTER



Open Space

COUNTY COLORADO

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Wadsworth Blvd. to 68th Ave.  
to Garrison St., north to  
the Center parking lot.

Directions:

Free public hours  
Tuesday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
(Special programs by appointment)

Nature Center & Parking Lot:

Park Hours:  
Dawn to Dusk

Enjoy Your Visit!

**Nature Summer Camps**  
Campers experience a week-long program that inspires nature connections, wonder and fun.

**Water Wise! The Science and Conservation of Water**  
Free outreach for Arvada schools.

**School Field Trips:**  
Students learn environmental concepts through hands-on classes. Topics tailored to grade level and state science standards. For information, call or book online.

**Rentals & Youth Birthday Parties**  
Rent the facility for business meetings, social functions, and events. For birthdays, we can provide a fun nature presentation, followed by your own activity.



Great for scouts, clubs and community groups, presented at your site or ours.

**Community Group Programs**

All ages can explore nature related topics: wildlife, gardening, insects, art, astronomy and more! Find a program brochure at the Nature Center or on our website, and register on-line in advance.



**Public Programs:**

**Our Mission**  
To promote environmental education and interpretive sciences.



Majestic View provides:

- Hands-on displays and wildlife exhibits
- Kid's Activity Nook
- Classrooms and meeting spaces
- 80 acres of open space with trails
- Wildlife Resting areas
- Demonstration garden
- Beautiful views with diverse wildlife
- School and public programs
- Playground and athletic courts



**Some Commonly Seen Species**

Over 260 species of plants, 135 species of birds, and other wildlife can be found in Majestic View Park.



**Common Whitetail Dragonfly** - These adept fliers dart around the wetlands looking for tasty mosquitos. The male (pictured) and female

have different wing patterns, the latter having three black blotches on each wing.



**American White Pelican** - In the morning, look for these large white birds scooping fish out of the lake. Later in the day they can often be seen riding thermal updrafts high in the sky.



**Coyote** - Occasionally, coyotes can be seen and heard on the prairie slopes north east of Oberon Lake. They hunt for abundant cottontail rabbits and other small mammals.



**American Kestrel** - The smallest member of the falcon family, it is often perched on a powerline or atop a tree, ready to prey upon grasshoppers, mice, dragonflies or other birds.



**Garter Snake** - This harmless small snake can be seen warming itself on the trails. It eats slugs, worm, toads and rodents.



**Muskrat** - This aquatic rodent, sometimes seen leaving ripples as it swims, is not actually a rat. This omnivore has a long thin tail.



**Cattail** - These wetland plants, spread by rhizomes, create thick, impenetrable stands which provide habitat, food, and nurseries for wetland wildlife.



**Praying Mantis** - Look for these stealthy predators in the late summer, often at the tops of prairie grasses. Look carefully, they are well camouflaged.



**Red-Eared Slider** - These turtles, seen basking on the log in the lake, are not native to Colorado, creating competition for our

native western painted turtles that live in Oberon Lake.








**Yucca** - Yuccas have a symbiotic relationship with the yucca moth. The Yucca seeds are eaten by the moth's larvae. Then adult moths spread the pollen from plant to plant.

# Majestic View Park

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-  Gravel Trail
-  Paved Trail
-  Parking Area
-  Portable Toilet
-  Wildlife Resting Area
-  Athletic Field



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## Points of Interest on the Map:

- 1 Nature Center and Demonstration Garden**  
Learn about the natural history of Arvada, see wildlife displays, participate in programs, and enjoy hands-on-learning. Stroll the garden, picking up ideas for plantings at your own home.
- 2 Future Oberon Classroom**  
Join a program or reserve this space for an inspirational learning experience.
- 3 Nature Play**  
A flagstone stage, shade trees, and grassy lawn anchor our outdoor classroom, accommodating large school groups and public programs.
- 4 Coyote Den Amphitheater**  
Future outdoor classroom.

**Prairie Trail (0.1 miles)**  
A paved trail with benches to enjoy views of the front range.

**Cattail Trail (0.3 miles)**  
A gravel trail sloping through short grass prairie. Check out the wetland grasses and wildlife at the bridge.

**Interpretive Trail (0.35 miles) and Lake Trail (0.1 miles)**  
A paved trail with views of Oberon Lake with signs to learn about the local ecosystem. Don't miss the spur gravel trail near the Nature Center, leading to a deck overlooking the lake.

**Red-Tail Hawk Trail (0.25 mi)**  
a mulched trail along the southern edge of the park.

**Bison Trail (0.1 mi)**  
Enjoy this melodic shortcut through the prairie.

**Fox/Bobcat Trail (0.45 mi)**  
Enjoy this soft trail through some of the wilder parts of the park.

**5 Playground & Recreation Area**  
Tennis courts, a basketball court, a creative playground, picnic tables, and lots of shady grassy areas to enjoy the view.

**6 Community Supported Agriculture Site**  
Frontline Farming cultivates this area to provide a location for hands-on learning while also growing fresh produce for sale and donation. Get more information at [frontlinefarming.org](http://frontlinefarming.org).

### Park Rules and Regulations:

- Park and parking lot hours are daylight to 11 p.m.
- Pets must be on leash and owners must remove all pet droppings
- Alcoholic beverages are restricted in parks by permit only
- Park usage is on a first-come basis, unless reserved and otherwise posted.