

BRECKENRIDGE TO ASPEN VIEW TRAIL 6.7 miles approx 3.25 hours

Begin at the Illinois Creek Trailhead at the east side of the Boreas Pass Road ice rink parking lot.



Cross the bridge and take the Illinois Creek High trail to the left.

At the Y take the high path. At the Southside Trail marker continue straight ahead.

At Southside Estates road cross and pick up the Southside Trail on the other side of the road.

Stay on Southside Trail as it parallels Route 9 and then veers into the woods to the east. You will pass a trail that goes up and northward on the left.

The trail seems to end above a broad meadow. Looking toward the meadow go down to your right and you will see another trail that heads down to the right side of the meadow. Pick up that trail, going past a house and a horse coral. Stay on that path.

Stay on the trail. You will come to the end of the trail at Indian Creek Road in Spruce Valley Ranch. At that point it will be called the Blue River Trail.

Cross the road and go right. You will see where the path continues down to the creek. Continue past the bubbling creek to where the trail meets a road. Take a left on the road and you will immediately see where the trail picks up on your left.

Continue on the path until it meets Blue River Road. You will see a rocky path to your left that goes up steeply. You will have been hiking approximately two hours. Take that path until it ends at Coronet Road. Go right down Coronet Road. You will see Bonanza Creek Road on your left. Take Bonanza Creek Road until it ends at a green house "Stoney Brook". Trespass. Take the driveway around the left side of the house past the garage, up the brown stairs and around until you see a bridge. Take the stone steps down and cross the bridge.

Take the path up to a fork. Go up to your left, not down to your right. When the path ends at another path, go up to the left again. At the top of the path you will see a cairn. Go right to continue. (If you go to the left you will come to a beautiful cascading waterfall. There is no path in that vicinity that will take you to either Aspen View or Breckenridge - trust me). You will be on the Ridge Trail which will take you almost to Aspen View/Davis Court. It is a narrow path that eventually becomes a mining road. When it ends you will be at a vague cul-de-sac. To your right will be the mean man house (read the signs). Go to your left on a road/driveway that leads to a house set above you. Keep going straight (not up to the house) and you will see a steep path that will take you up to the Fredonia Gulch mining road. Cross the mining road and continue straight to Davis Court.