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Guides



**New Santa Fe
Regional Trail**
Colorado



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there are restaurants and some shops, as well as through the Air Force Academy, so don't be surprised to see jets overhead.

The trail follows a portion of the former Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad line, which, heading north to south drops 1,200 feet in elevation.

Connections

At the southern end of the trail at Woodmen Road, the New Santa Fe Regional Trail becomes the [Pikes Peak Greenway Trail](#).

The New Santa Fe Regional Trail provides a scenic almost 18-mile journey along the front range of the mountains, from Palmer Lake Recreation Area in northern El Paso County through the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs.

About the Route

The New Santa Fe Regional Trail is popular among hikers, cyclists (hybrids or mountain bikes would be best-suited to the trail), equestrians and families out for a stroll. Along the way there are interpretive signs, wildlife and interesting geological features, not to mention incredible views, in particular Pikes Peak.

The trail passes through the town of Monument, where



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States: Colorado

Counties: El Paso

Length: 17.9miles

Trail end points: Greenland Open Space on County Line Rd (Larkspur) to Edmondson Trailhead (250 E Woodmen Rd, Colorado Springs)

Trail surfaces: Crushed Stone,Gravel,Sand

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike,Fishing,Horseback Riding,Mountain Biking,Walking,Wheelchair

Parking & Trail Access

The New Santa Fe Regional Trail runs between Greenland Open Space on County Line Rd (Larkspur) and the Edmondson Trailhead (250 E Woodmen Rd, Colorado Springs), both of which offer parking.

Parking is also available at:

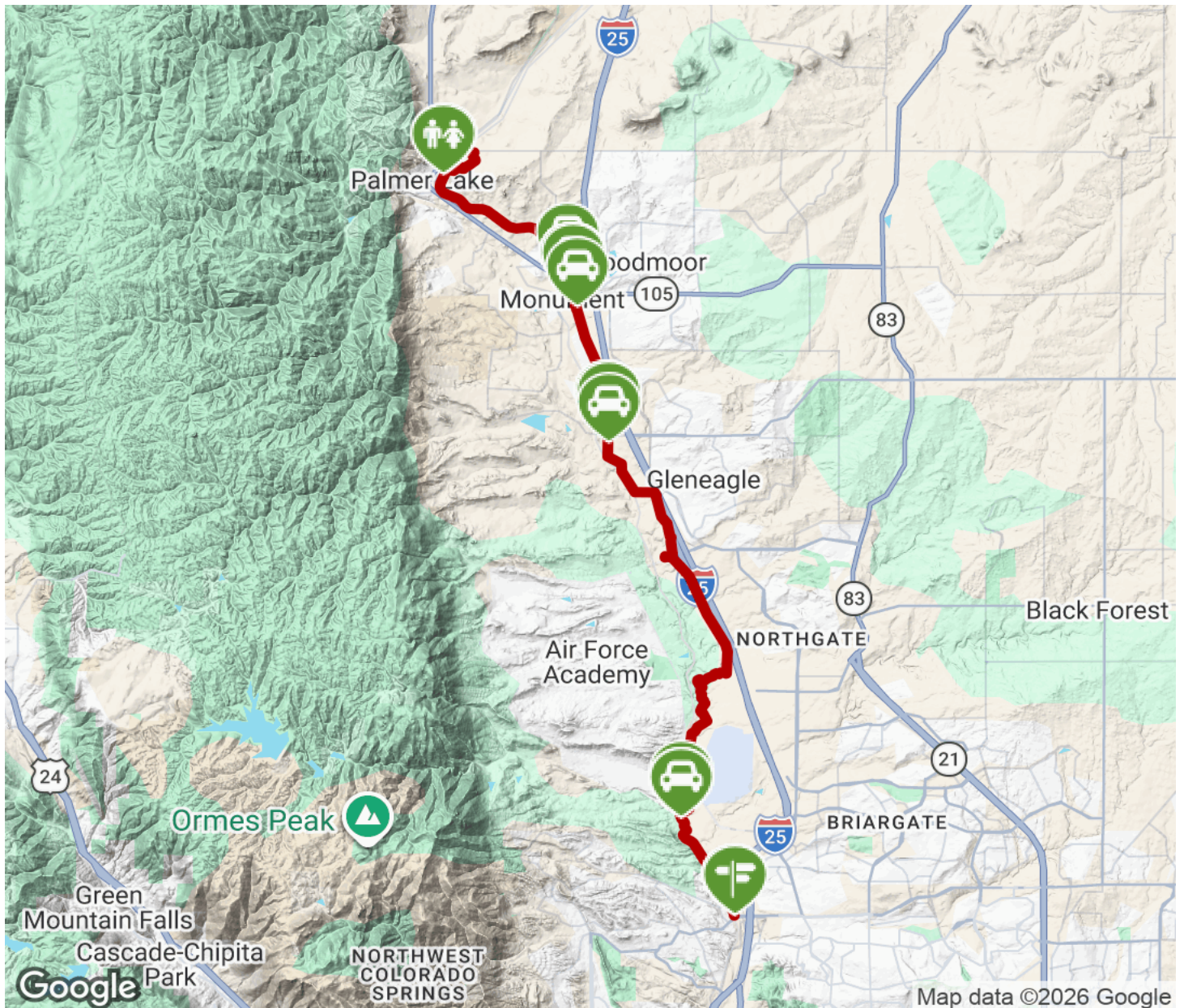
- Baptist Road Trailhead, 1916 Baptist Rd (Monument)

Visit the [TrailLink map](#) for all parking options and detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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