



## Popular Fishing Destinations in Rocky Mountain National Park

Species

Fishing Water	Trail/TH	Comments	BKT	BRN	RBT	CRC	GBC	YCT	CUT
<b>East of The Continental Divide</b>									
Big Thompson River	Fern Lake	Meandering through Moraine Park and upwards halfway up Fern Lake trail, this water fishes well amid plenty of summertime pressure.	•	•	•		•		
Black Canyon Creek	Twin Owls	A fun brookie stream just far enough off the trail to provide some secluded fishing opportunities.	•						
Black Lake	Glacier Gorge	A classic fly fishing lake, but the 5 mile hike past Mills and Glacier Creek may keep you too busy fishing to get here.	•						
Boulder Brook	Sprague Lake	Some steep sections scare off most fishers, leaving plenty of dry fly fishing for Brookies to the ones who venture further.	•	•					
Copeland Lake	Sandbeach Lake	Located at the trailhead, it can be busy at times.	•		•				
Cow Creek	Cow Creek	A small and tight stream with a heavy canopy. You'd be surprised by the size of brookies in this stream.	•	•					
Cub Creek	Moraine Park	Cub Creek braids throughout the Park. It receives significant pressure, but is good for kids during the summer months.	•	•					
Dream Lake	Bear Lake	Located at the junction of two trails, it receives plenty of day traffic.					•		
Fern Creek	Fern Lake	A beautiful stream mostly far enough from the trail to provide some seclusion despite moderate traffic.					•		
Fern Lake	Fern Lake	A popular destination despite its 4 mile trek with some significant altitude gain.					•		
Glacier Creek	Glacier Gorge	This is a creek of many faces and one of the rare creeks in the Park that can offer a grand slam.	•	•	•				•
Glass Lake	Glacier Gorge	A beautiful ½ day hike brings you to this small lake with nice Greenbacks	•				•		
Hiyaha, Lake	Bear Lake	A hot-n-cold lake which doesn't fish as well when its windy, primarily because it makes casting tough on this lake flanked by HUGE boulders.						•	
Lawn Lake	Lawn Lake	A long day hike (6+ miles) brings you to one of the best Greenback lakes in the Park.					•		
Lily Lake	Lily Lake	Another lake which caters to handicapped access. Fishes well for Greenbacks with scuds and damsels.					•		
Loch, The	Glacier Gorge	A mighty fun lake to fish with a dry fly in the many wind-protected coves.	•				•		
Loomis Lake	Fern Lake	A steep hike not for the unprepared, but the reward is less pressured fish.					•		
Mill Creek	Follows Bear Lake Road	Close to the road fishing brings plenty of anglers, where your A-game is required to catch these fish who see it all everyday.	•	•	•				
Mills Lake	Glacier Gorge	A stunningly beautiful lake which attracts more photographers than fishers.			•				
North Saint Vrain Creek	Wild Basin	An easy, moderate-length hike takes you by hungry browns and brookies	•	•					•
Odessa Lake	Fern Lake	A half-hour higher than Fern Lake, fishing is just as spectacular as in Fern Lake.					•		
Roaring River	Lawn Lake	A classic wet wading stream where dappling is the best method. The wind blows eight days a week down this river corridor.	•	•	•		•		
Sandbeach Lake	Sandbeach Lake	A popular family hike and just as popular fly fishing destination.					•		
Sky Pond	Glacier Gorge	A lengthy day hike at the end of Sky Pond Trail. Your reward are some of the most colorful Brookies in the Park.	•						
Sprague Lake	Sprague Lake	One of the lowest altitude lakes in the Park. Caters to handicap access.	•	•	•				
Spruce Lake	Fern Lake	Most fish Fern and Odessa, but don't forget this lake while you are up there.					•		
Thunder Lake	Wild Basin	A long hike best suited for an overnight trip. The lake and many small streams along the way are loaded with Brookies.	•						•
Ypsilon Lake	Lawn Lake	An overnight hike is best so you can spend time fishing the influent to Ypsilon Lake.				•			
<b>West of The Continental Divide</b>									
Baker Creek	Bowen/Baker	Follow Baker Gulch trail for easy fishing along the creek	•	•					
Colorado River	Route 34	The meager genesis of this world famous river; easy walk-in fishing all along Route 34 from Grand Lake to Timber Lake TH	•	•					
East Inlet Creek	East Inlet Trail	Fun brooktrout fishing only minutes from the TH. Follow the creek off-trail in the meadow as long as you want	•	•		•			
Haynatch Lakes drainage	Tonahutu Creek Trail	A multi-day hike or aggressive 1-day adventure; not suited for flat landers						•	
Lone Pine Lake	East Inlet Trail	A moderate day hike for eager brookies	•						
Onahu Creek	Onahu Creek Trail	Easy access and fishing west of Route 34 in open meadows	•	•		•			
Spirit Lake	East Inlet Trail	An aggressive day hike better suited as an overnight trip	•			•			
Timber Creek	Timber Lake	Fish the creek on the way to the lake for fun Brookies; a beautiful hike	•						•
Timber Lake	Timber Lake	An aggressive day hike for large Colorado River cutthroat; better suited as an overnight trip							•
Tonahutu Creek	Tonahutu Creek Trail	An easy day hike to a fun small dry fly creek	•	•					
Verna, Lake	East Inlet Trail	A moderate day hike for plentiful & colorful brookies	•						

BKT: Brook Trout RBT: Rainbow Trout BRN: Brown Trout CRC: Colorado River Cutthroat GBC: Greenback Cutthroat YCT: Yellowstone Cutthroat CUT: Generic Hybridized Cutthroat