

# SANDSTONE RANCH VISITORS CENTER



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3001 Sandstone Drive | Longmont, CO 80504 | 303-651-8404

### Visitors Center Hours:

Wednesdays, 9am to noon, May 7 through Aug 27

Saturdays 10am-2pm, 2nd & 4th Saturdays, Mar 8 through Oct 25

*No pets allowed at the center or on trails due to wildlife.*

## Discover a treasure of nature & history, just outside your door.

- » Hands-on displays
- » Early Longmont history
- » Nature Trail
- » Scenic overlook
- » Visitors Center with free admission

## Directions to Sandstone Ranch Visitors Center:

The Visitors Center is located on Sandstone Drive, east of County Line Road and just off Highway 119. Turn south on Sandstone Drive, past the ball fields and follow the signs for the Visitors Center/Trailhead Parking Lot. If you park at the upper parking lot, the trail on the west side takes you down the hill to the Visitors Center. Handicapped parking is available next to the Visitors Center.

## Volunteering at Sandstone Ranch:

Sandstone Ranch depends on volunteers to run our programs! We need volunteers for open house hours, gardening, school field trips, and nature and history programming. If you love nature, gardening and/or history and enjoy working with the public, this is a great volunteer opportunity. For more information, contact Kirsten at [sandstone.ranch@longmontcolorado.gov](mailto:sandstone.ranch@longmontcolorado.gov)

## Group Tours:

Schedule a group tour or program for your organization, class, or camp. Topics include Longmont History, natural history, Front Range ecology and more. For more information, contact Kirsten at [sandstone.ranch@longmontcolorado.gov](mailto:sandstone.ranch@longmontcolorado.gov)

## PROGRAMS AT SANDSTONE RANCH

Limited house-adjacent parking is available. Thank you for parking in the upper parking lot. Handicap parking available in front of the Visitors Center. Pre-register each person attending online or by calling 303-774-4700. A suggested donation of \$4/person exists for all programs unless otherwise noted. Registration is required.

### Nature Exploration with Longmont Rangers

Explore the ecosystem of Sandstone Ranch with the Longmont Ranger Team! These programs will bring out the outdoor naturalist in you! Outdoor program; please dress appropriately.

**All Ages: Saturday, 10-11:30am** 106104

**Skins & Skulls** Jan 4

**Nature Walk** Jan 11

**Wildlife Detectives** Jan 18

**Birds of a Feather** Jan 25

Location: SSR Visitor Center

Fee: \$4 suggested donation

### Wonder of Winter Slide Program

Winter is a great time to explore the natural wonders of Boulder County! Join volunteer naturalists to learn about the many wonders of winter and how plants and animals adapt to snow and cold, from the Great Plains to the Continental Divide.

**All Ages: Feb 8, Sat, 10-11:30am** 106403

Location: SSR Visitor Center

Fee: \$4 suggested donation

### Winter Nature Friday's at Sandstone Ranch

Family exploration and fun at Sandstone with winter nature themes. Craft, nature walk and Storytime. Drop in.

**3 & up: Friday, 9am-12pm**

**Nov 29** 406851

**Dec 20 | Feb 14 | Mar 21**

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Location: SSR Visitor Center

Fee: \$5 resident/\$6.25 non-resident

### Guided Bird Walks

Local birder, Carl Starace, guides you around the loop trail as you explore the variety of birds that pass through or call Sandstone Ranch home. Bring binoculars. Meet up at the upper parking lot.

**10 & up: Friday, 9am-12pm**

**Mar 28 | Apr 11 | Apr 25** 206206

Location: SSR Visitor Center

Fee: \$4 suggested donation

### History House Tours at SSR

Enjoy a tour inside and outside (weather permitting) the historical Coffin Family Home. Learn about the Coffin family, and what life was like in the 1800s for homesteaders and other groups of people in the area.

**All Ages: Mar 22, Sat,**

**10:30-12:00 pm** 206403

Location: SSR Visitor Center

Fee: \$4 suggested donation

### Volunteer Opportunities Social at SSR

Do you like nature, Longmont history, wildlife, people, working with children, or just being out at Sandstone Ranch? Join us for refreshments and learn about the many ways you can volunteer. Stay and explore the house and grounds afterwards during the open house hours.

**18 & up: Mar 8, Sat,**

**8:30-10:00 am** 206703

Location: SSR Visitor Center

Fee: \$4 suggested donation