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**BIKING**

## LITTLE ANNIE ROAD

**Length:** 4.5 miles one-way (7.2 km);  
3 miles to junction with Midnight Mine, 1 1/2 miles  
to the top of Aspen Mountain

**Beginning Elevation:** 9,000 feet (2743 m)

**USGS Map(s):** Hayden Peak, Aspen

**Difficulty:** Difficult

**Trail Use:** Heavy

**Ending Elevation:** 11,212 feet (3417 m)

**ATTRACTIONS/CONSIDERATIONS:** This road is fairly well maintained. It is used heavily by 4 wheelers, especially on weekends. A loop ride can be made by going up Little Annie Road and down Midnight Mine Road, or a longer trip down Summer Road. This is a very scenic ride with great views of the Castle Creek Valley.

**ACCESS:** Travel west from Aspen 1/2 mile on Highway 82 to the Roundabout. Go around the Roundabout and turn right onto Castle Creek Road. Travel 7 miles to Little Annie Road on the left. There is a small parking area on the right.

**NARRATIVE:** The road climbs gradually with several private drives along the first few miles. Please stay on the main road. The road becomes steeper and climbs to the intersection with Midnight Mine Road in a little over 3 miles. Stay straight to continue to the top of Aspen Mountain. The last section climbs to the top of Aspen Mountain and the Sundek Restaurant. There are spectacular views in all directions. From the top you can access Richmond Hill Road (which follows the ridge behind Aspen Mountain), or Summer Road (which goes down the front of Aspen Mountain).

**ETHICS/REGULATIONS:** Before you go out check into available routes, their condition, ownership of land, posted areas, regulations that apply, and the following rules:

- \* Avoid running over young trees, shrubs, and grasses - **Stay on established routes.**
- \* Avoid wetlands, meadows, steep hills, and streams where the surface is easily scarred by churning wheels.
- \* Ford streams at designated sites only.
- \* **Sanitation** - Bury human waste 100 feet from water and 6 inches in the soil.
- \* A reminder: Wilderness Areas are closed to all mechanized vehicles, including mountain bikes.

**PACK IT IN—PACK IT OUT!! LEAVE NO TRACE!!**

This map is intended for use as a general guide only, not for actual land navigation. The White River National Forest suggests purchasing a topographical trail map prior to your biking trip.