

WELCOME TO MANITOU CLIFF DWELLINGS



SCAN THIS QR CODE
FOR AN INTERACTIVE
AUDIO/VISUAL TO
ACCOMPANY YOUR
SELF-GUIDED TOUR
OF THE RUINS.



While enjoying the Cliff Dwellings, Please observe the following:

- For the preservation of the structures, do not climb, stand, or sit on the Dwellings.
- These structures contain uneven paths, steps, low ceilings, and ladders. Watch your step; your safety is your responsibility. Visitors assume all risk of injury.
- Parents/Guardians are responsible for their children's behavior and safety. Children must be under adult supervision at all times.
- For the safety of yourself and others, horseplay, running, and climbing on rocks, railings, or ruins is not permitted on the property.
- Stay on the designated pathways.
- Dispose of trash in the appropriate receptacles.

Please be respectful of this preserve so that future generations may enjoy it as well.

Thank You.

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THE CLIFF DWELLINGS

Thank you for visiting the MANITOU CLIFF DWELLINGS, we hope you have a pleasant visit.

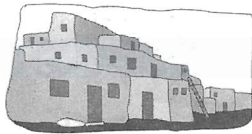


You are encouraged to explore the dwellings, room by room, using a self-guided tour. As you enter into the world of the Anasazi, also known as the

Ancient Ones or the Ancestral Puebloans, be aware that this is one of the most accessible examples of cliff dwelling architecture anywhere. These alcoves provided shelter from wind, rain, and snow, thus avoiding the effects of the harsh climate. The people of this advanced culture existed in the Four Corners area from 1100 A.D. to 1300 A.D. This reserve was first opened to the public in 1907 and represents the finest architecture of the Anasazi Culture acquired throughout Colorado and New Mexico. Enjoy your travel through time as you experience the rooms on your self-guided tour, which explains the purpose of each space. Perhaps you can even 'feel' the spirits of the people who lived, worked, and communed in such spaces centuries ago.

THE PUEBLO

Next to the Cliff Dwellings is a three-story Pueblo-style



building built in the style of the descendants of the Anasazi. Today, you will find similar structures still inhabited by Pueblo Indians in the Rio Grande Valley of New Mexico. Perhaps the most famous of these communities is the Taos Pueblo near Taos, New Mexico, which has been continuously occupied for more than 1000 years.

The first six rooms of our Pueblo were built in 1898 and it has been expanded three times since then. Until 1984, local Native Americans actually lived in these rooms.

THE MUSEUM

The Pueblo also houses the Anasazi Museum, which was originally opened in 1907, and has been dramatically expanded and improved over the years. There are dioramas depicting the daily life of the people, as well as exhibits of tools, pottery, and weapons from this era. You may also view informative videos, which offer a glimpse into the lives of these mysterious people who disappeared, after leaving a remarkable legacy on mesa tops and in cliff walls.



THE GIFT SHOP

In our inviting gift shop, you are sure to find the perfect keepsake of your visit to the Manitou Cliff Dwellings. We offer a wide variety of gifts, souvenirs, books, pottery, as well as Native American jewelry and replicas of Anasazi artifacts. We pride ourselves in our large selection of Colorado, U.S. and Native made gifts. UPS shipping service can be arranged for most items purchased.



SEASON PASS

If you visit the Manitou Cliff Dwellings more than once a year, you may consider our Season Pass. Savings begin immediately with a 10% discount on gift shop purchases and free gate admission for a full year. For families of four or more, please inquire about our Family Pass. We also have a Holiday Shopping Pass, which includes free admission from November 25 through January 5, as well as a 30% discount on purchases made during this time. Check out our website, facebook and twitter for Special Events. We are closed Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.



YOUR COMFORT AND ENJOYMENT

We want your visit to this remarkable place to be comfortable, enjoyable, and educational. Restrooms are located in the lower level of the Pueblo. Food and refreshments are available daily at the Snack Bar and Picnic Patio by the Upper Parking area during June, July, and August. We request that you honor the Cliff Dwellings with respect for those who created this cherished treasure, by not climbing or running anywhere on the property. Enjoy your stay with us, and come again soon!



GENERAL INFORMATION

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