SPRUCE MOUNTAIN LOOP: Take exit 163 off Interstate 25. Turn west onto County Line Road. Turn right onto Spruce Mountain Road. Go for about 4 miles and the parking lot will be on the left. It does fill up quickly, but additional parking is available down the road. Take the middle trail from the parking lot. This is a loop trail 5.5 miles long with a 730-foot elevation gain. This trail is rated easy.