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VISITING THE MAROON BELLS
DETAILS ON RFTA SHUTTLE AND PARKING RESERVATIONS
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MAROON BELLS HOTLINE AND INFORMATION (970) 945-3319 The hotline will be updated daily by Forest Service staff to provide the most current information.

MAROON BELLS SHUTTLES AND PARKING Reservations are required to visit Maroon Bells by personal vehicle (May 15-Oct 31) or shuttle (May 26-Oct 22). Each individual must have a reservation in order to board the Maroon Bell Shuttle at the Aspen Highlands loading zone, or for each vehicle parking at the lake. Reservations for the season may be made by visiting www.aspenchamber.org. Advance reservations encouraged, since popular times usually sell out well in advance.

SHUTTLE TIMES & CHECK IN The shuttle runs every 15 minutes from 8 a.m. to 5 pm. Maroon Bells Shuttle check-in and departures are at Aspen Highlands. Recommended arrival at Highlands is at least 30 minutes before reserved time.

BUS SHUTTLE TICKET PRICES: \$16.00 FOR ADULTS, \$10.00 SENIORS OVER 65, \$10.00 CHILDREN UNDER 12, ONE-WAY DOWNHILL SHUTTLE TICKETS \$10.00. One-way downhill tickets for hikers will be required from the Maroon Bells Scenic Area to Aspen Highlands. Tickets must be purchased in advance. The downhill ticket reservations allow RFTA to anticipate how much space will be needed each day for one-way downhill passengers hiking over from Crested Butte or other locations.

Dogs are allowed on the RFTA shuttle bus from Aspen Highlands to the Maroon Bells. Due to the potential for surprise wildlife encounters in the densely vegetated area, do not bring dogs on the Scenic Loop trail. Dogs must always be on a leash.

GETTING TO SHUTTLE By bus: Free Snowmass Village buses depart from outside the Limelight Hotel Snowmass, and connect to free RFTA buses at Snowmass Brush Creek lot. These buses go to Ruby Park Transit Center in Aspen. Then catch the free Highlands shuttle from Ruby Park to Aspen Highlands. Allow at least 1.5 hours for this multiple bus route. **Driving:** Parking for those driving to Aspen Highlands is \$5 per hour. Allow 40 minutes to drive from Snowmass to Highlands. **If the Highlands Parking Lot is full**, alternative parking is available in the City of Aspen's parking garage at 427 Rio Grande Pl, Aspen. The garage is about a five-minute walk to Ruby Park Transit Center, to catch the bus to Highlands for the Maroon Bells Shuttle.

DRIVING Maroon Creek Road to the Bells is open usually on or around May 15 to Nov 15, depending on weather/road conditions.

Reservations are required to park at Maroon Lake May 15-Oct 31, and should be reserved well in advance, since spaces do fill up quickly. Arrival times are specific for **day, evening, 24 hr. and 2-night parking** per below. No vehicles/RV's over 20 ft.

Parking Reservations: www.aspenchamber.org. Questions: 970 930 6442.

Day Visit Parking (12:00 AM - 4:30 PM)

From May 26th through October 22nd you must arrive **before 8:00 AM*

Evening Parking (5:00 PM - 12:00 AM)

24-Hour Parking (Midnight - Midnight)

From May 26th through October 22nd you must arrive **before 8:00 AM*

Overnight Parking 2-Nights (6:00 AM - 6:00 PM, 60 Hours)

From May 26th through October 22nd No arrivals between **8 AM and 5 PM*

For camping reservations visit www.recreation.gov

Location Parking reservations are for parking at the end of Maroon Creek Road, at the Maroon Bells scenic area.

The following are exempted from taking the RFTA shuttle to Maroon Lake during shuttle operations:

- Persons driving a vehicle with a valid handicap placard or license plate
- Persons with infants under 2 years old in a child restraint seat as required per Colorado State law
- Persons driving a high occupancy vehicle with 11 or more passengers
- Parking Reservations **are still required** for the above daytime driving exceptions.

DROP OFFS Private vehicles can drop off passengers who are hiking one way from the Maroon Bell area trailheads between 6 AM and 8 AM without a parking reservation. A \$10 fee is required at the Welcome Center Entrance self-pay station.

Taxi/limo/commercial ride share services **are not allowed** to drop off passengers.

BIKING: No reservations required for road bikes or popular e bike rentals. Most e bike riders depart from Aspen Highlands, Buttermilk, or Aspen. The trip is 7.9 miles from Aspen Highlands. Contact your Limelight Concierge (970 924 5104), or snowmassconcierge@limelighthotels.com, for details and booking.