

Please Help Preserve the Historic Staunton Homestead Cabin for Current and Future Generations to Learn From and Enjoy...

Your contribution helps the Friends of Staunton State Park fund important projects and programs that preserve, promote and protect Staunton State Park. We have set up the Historic Staunton Homestead Cabin Fund for donations specific to the Preservation Project.

To make a tax-deductible donation now, please fill out and return this form together with your check made out to:

*Friends of Staunton State Park
PO Box 695, Pine, CO 80470
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<https://friendsofstauntonstatepark.org>

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- Elk Falls.....Gold \$600-\$999
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Amount..... \$ _____

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PRESERVING THE HISTORIC STAUNTON HOMESTEAD CABIN

STAUNTON STATE PARK

The Staunton Ranch is the heart of the park. Built on homestead claims starting with Dr. Archibald Staunton's initial claim of 680 acres on June 25, 1918, the ranch eventually grew to encompass 1,720 acres. Over the years the Stauntons built a turn-of-the-20th century sawmill, a bunkhouse, a sportsman's club, along with several other cabins and structures. The Stauntons had a long history of welcoming others to come enjoy the beauty of the land.



Elk Falls

Staunton State Park features dramatic Elk Falls, which drops nearly 100 feet into North Elk Creek, and spectacular Lions Head stands tall as the park's rock sentry.



Lions Head

High grassy meadows at 8,100 feet give way to soaring granite cliffs over 10,000 feet; the park offers more than 40 miles of hiking, biking and horseback riding trails.



Historic Cabin Trail

Visitors to the park can hike the Historic Cabins Trail which provides an opportunity to step back into the past to view the Staunton Homestead Cabin and the other historic buildings.

The Staunton Ranch—Rural Historic Landscape was entered in the National Register of Historic Places in December 2012.

As beneficiaries of the generosity of Frances Staunton, present and future generations are entrusted with the land – to enjoy, protect and treasure as she did.



The Staunton Cabin

(Excerpts from Colorado Parks & Wildlife Staunton State Park brochure www.cpw.state.co.us)

PRESERVING THE STAUNTON LEGACY

The Staunton family moved to Denver in 1906 in search of a drier climate. Dr. Archibald Staunton set up a practice in Denver, while Dr. Rachael Staunton and Frances homesteaded seven months of the year on the family ranch in Pine, raising crops and administering medical care to the locals.

The family lived in a tent on the grassy meadow while their homestead cabin was being built. It was completed in August of 1918 using native woods and rocks. It was enlarged and remodeled in 1919 and 1920, adding a kitchen. The Staunton Homestead Cabin was the central building on the Ranch, affectionately called “Wildwood” by the family.

Then...



Rachael Staunton at the historic cabin now part of Staunton State Park. (circa 1928)

Now...



The Staunton Homestead Cabin in 2019.

HOW TO HELP

Friends of Staunton State Park, park management, volunteers and visitors of Staunton State Park are all very committed to preserving the Staunton Homestead Cabin due to its historical significance and the educational opportunities it provides for current and future generations.

The preservation of the Staunton cabin is a cornerstone project of Friends of Staunton State Park and fundraising for this goal is actively underway. Of major concern is the condition of the Staunton Homestead Cabin, which continues to deteriorate making both stabilization and preservation urgent needs to avoid losing the park's namesake altogether.

Community involvement is essential in acquiring grants needed to help restore this local treasure. To learn more or to make a donation, use the donation form on the back of this brochure or visit our website, <https://friendsofstauntonstatepark.org/>

Thank you for your support!



Thanks to funding from the Friends of Staunton State Park, tarps were installed over the cabin roof in May 2020 to slow further deterioration to the Staunton Homestead Cabin.

Friends of Staunton State Park is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.