Early Bloomers
(May-Early June)
- Buttercup
- Dwarf Larkspur
- Glacier Lily
- Golden Draba
- Heartleaf Arnica
- Holly Grape
- Kinnikinnick
- Pasque Flower
- Many-Flowered Phlox
- Marsh Marigold
- Mountain Candytuft
- Mountain Lover
- Red Columbine
- Service Berry*
- Spring Beauty
- Twinberry Honeysuckle*
- Violet
- Western Valerian

Mid-Season Bloomers
(Late June-July)
- Blue Columbine
- Blue Flax
- Case’s Fitweed
- Cinquefoil
- Cow Parsnip
- Creamy Buckwheat
- Elephantella
- Fairy Slipper
- Gooseberry
- Groundsel
- Indian Paintbrush
- Jacob’s Ladder
- King’s Crown
- Lupine
- Mariposa Lily
- Monkey Flower
- Monkshood
- Monument Plant
- Mule Ears Sunflower
- Northern Bedstraw
- Onion
- Orange Sneezeweed
- Pea Vine
- Porter’s Lovage
- Prairie Smoke
- Pussy Toes
- Red Elderberry*
- Richardson’s Geranium
- Rocky Mtn Penstemon
- Scarlet Gilia
- Shooting Stars
- Showy Fleabane
- Snowberry*
- Starflower
- Sulphur Buckwheat
- Sweet Cicely
- Tall Bluebell
- Tall Larkspur
- Valerian
- Wax Currant*
- Wild Iris
- Wild Rose*
- Yarrow

Late-Season Bloomers
(July-Early September)
- Pink-headed Fleabane
- Golden Aster
- Purple Tansy Aster
- Gentian
- Fireweed
- Harebell
- Showy Goldeneye
- Tall Larkspur

The Crested Butte Wildflower Festival is dedicated to the conservation, preservation and appreciation of wildflowers through education and celebration. We are committed to protecting our natural botanical heritage for future generations and promoting sound stewardship of this priceless resource.

Mountain Manners is a community partnership promoting responsible recreation in the Gunnison Valley.

Please Help Us Preserve the Beauty that Brought you Here!

Leave the wildflowers atop their towers
Picking and crushing them
Destroys their special powers

THANK YOU AND HAVE FUN OUT THERE!

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1. Brush Creek Trail Well-packed trail through forests and meadows. A drier area, good for seeing early bloomers.  
Parking: Trailhead parking lot on north side of Brush Creek Rd.  
Difficulty: Easy  
Distance from town: 3 mi, 10 min  
Peak season: Early-Middle

2. Budd Trail Trail winds through meadows and aspen forests. Crosses private property, please stay on trail.  
Parking: Lower Loop Parking areas on Peanut Lake Road.  
Difficulty: Easy-Moderate  
Distance from town: 1.5 mi, 5 mins  
Peak season: Early-Middle

3. Crested Butte Mountain Resort (CBMR) Well-packed trails through forests and meadows, single and double-track. Summer Trail Map available at CBMR’s Adventure Center.  
Parking: Ski area Base lot just north of the Grand Lodge on right side of Gothic Rd.  
Difficulty: Moderate-Difficult  
Distance from town: 3 mi, 10 mins  
Peak season: Early-Late

Parking: At the Crested Butte Nordic Center, 620 2nd St.  
Difficulty: Moderate-Difficult  
Distance from town: 1 mi, 1 min  
Peak season: Middle-Late

Parking: Marked parking lot on Washington Gulch opposite of Meridian Lake dam.  
Difficulty: Moderate  
Distance from town: 3.5 mi, 15 mins  
Peak season: Early-Late

Parking: Turn-out on Kebler Pass Rd, but do not park on sides of Kebler Pass.  
Difficulty: Easy-Difficult  
Distance from town: 1-10 mi, 5+ mins  
Peak season: Middle-Late

7. Lake Irwin Well-packed trail through lake’s edge and pine forest. Walk around the lake, or hike down the trail along the lake spillway out and back.  
Parking: Parking area just past spillway.  
Difficulty: Easy  
Distance from town: 8 mi, 20 mins  
Peak season: Middle-Late

8. Lily Lake Trail Well-packed trail through forest climbing to lake in meadows. Water lilies bloom on the lake from mid-July to mid-August.  
Parking: Turn left onto Ohio Pass Rd from Kebler Pass Rd, go about 1/2 mile and park on left side of Ohio Pass Road.  
Difficulty: Easy-Moderate  
Distance from town: 7 mi, 15 mins  
Peak season: Middle-Late

Parking: 1) Just off Gothic Rd at Judd Falls or 2) turn right and climb up to Judd Falls Trailhead (4WD required).  
Difficulty: Moderate  
Distance from town: 15 mi, 20-30 mins  
Peak season: Middle-Late

10. Lower Loop Well-packed trail through forests and meadows. Shooting Stars, and Fringed and Bottle Gentian later in the season.  
Parking: Lower Loop Parking areas on Peanut Lake Road.  
Difficulty: Easy  
Distance from town: 1.5 mi, 5 mins  
Peak season: Early-Middle

11. Lupine Trail Well-packed trail through forests and meadows. Incredible display of lupine. Best Mon-Fri due to bikers on weekends.  
Parking: Trailhead on Slate River Road.  
Difficulty: Easy-Moderate  
Distance from town: 2 mi, 10 mins  
Peak season: Early-Middle

12. Oh Be Joyful Well-packed trail through forests and meadows. Take care crossing Slate River on foot—only 4wd across.  
Parking: ONLY on east side of Slate River.  
Difficulty: Moderate  
Distance from town: 5 mi, 10 mins  
Peak season: Middle-Late

13. Pioneer Guest Cabins to Summer Home Group Well-packed trail through pine forest. Good place to spot Fairy Slippers. Trail is in residential area, so please be respectful.  
Parking: On pullouts off Cement Creek Rd—please do not park on Pioneer Guest Cabin property or right of ways.  
Difficulty: Easy  
Distance from town: 8 mi, 20 mins  
Peak season: Early-Middle

14. Recreation Path Paved path leading to Mt. Crested Butte. Beautiful meadows and vistas with interpretive signs along the way.  
Parking: East end of Teocalli Ave; please do not block driveways.  
Difficulty: Easy-Moderate  
Distance from town: 0.5 mi, 1 min  
Peak season: Early-Late

15. Snodgrass Mountain Well-packed trail through forests and meadows. Mariposa lilies, arnica, violets, paintbrush, penstemon and monkeyshood abound.  
Parking: Just past trailhead on left side of Washington Gulch Rd or from Gothic Rd at Fantasy Ranch.  
Difficulty: Easy-Moderate  
Distance from town: 5 mi, 15 mins  
Peak season: Early-Middle

Parking: At turn-out at switchback on Hunter Hill Rd.  
Difficulty: Moderate-Difficult  
Distance from town: 2.5 mi, 10 mins  
Peak season: Early-Middle

Parking: Parking area on right side of Cement Creek Rd.  
Difficulty: Moderate-Difficult  
Distance from town: 7.5 mi, 15 mins  
Peak season: Early-Middle

18. Walrod Gulch Double-track climbing left off of Cement Creek Rd to trailhead on left. Can take Caves Trail down to Cement Creek Rd, or hike as an out and back. Beautiful display of sunflowers, lupines. Pasque flowers early.  
Parking: Small lot on left side of Cement Creek Rd at Walrod Trailhead.  
Difficulty: Moderate-Difficult  
Distance from town: 9 mi, 15 mins  
Peak season: Early-Late

19. Woods Walk Well-packed, fairly level trail through aspen forest. Large displays of columbine in wet years.  
Parking: Off Kebler Pass Rd just west of town on roadside turnouts.  
Difficulty: Easy  
Distance from town: 0.5 mi, 1 min  
Peak season: Early-Moderate