



# Boulder Hot Springs

To make your reservation, call 406-225-4339. [www.boulderhotprings.com](http://www.boulderhotprings.com) Make sure you mention that you'll be attending the **Drum Brothers Fall Rhythm Gathering**. Our weekend event will be over two nights, Friday November 17<sup>th</sup> and Saturday November 18<sup>th</sup>, and will include 6 meals (Two full days, Friday dinner through Sunday lunch).

- **Guest Rooms.** There are 21 guest rooms and 12 B&B rooms currently available by reservation only. Each room accommodates one to four overnight guests. All rooms have sinks in them. Many rooms have private baths. There is a common bathroom with a shower on each floor. Our more elegant theme B&B rooms are available for an additional charge (\$20 extra per room per night) and they guarantee a half or full bath.

Rooms cost \$60 plus tax for single accommodations and \$80 plus tax for double per night, including use of the bathhouse and common rooms. We are happy to make special room arrangements in advance (for children, for physical limitations, etc.). And, we offer special rates for children.

- **Camping.** Create your own campsite near the pond or up in the trees. Tents and campers are welcome; however, there are no hookups at this time. Camping fees are \$18 per night, including use of the bathhouse and building facilities.

- **Day Use.** Gathering participants who stay off-site will be charged a \$10 per day fee for use of the building, common rooms and pools.

- **Meals.** Meal fees are \$45 per day for groups with 20 or more participants (That will be our group for certain) and \$50 a day for groups fewer than 20. We will gladly handle special dietary requests if you give us advance notice.

## HISTORY

Nestled in the heart of Montana's Peace Valley, Boulder Hot Springs rests at an altitude of 5,068 feet on 274 acres of fertile land at the edge of Deerlodge National Forest. Centuries ago, Native Americans selected Peace Valley as a sanctuary, which they agreed would always remain free from fighting. And it always has.

The Hotel May, built in 1891, was the first permanent structure in the area. In the years that followed, the building went through changes and renovations until, by the 1940s, the resort became popular as the Diamond S Ranchotel and Hot Springs. In 1989, the property and buildings, long neglected, were acquired by author and lecturer Anne Wilson Schaef. Other owners have joined her in establishing Boulder Hot Springs as a retreat facility and place of healing.

Careful restoration continues. Guest rooms in the East Wing have been fully restored. Twelve rooms have been given names relating to our history and decorated accordingly. The original reception area, dining room and the West Wing are being restored to their original charm as funds become available. Today Boulder Hot Springs hosts group meetings, retreats & conferences, as well as special celebrations such as weddings, anniversary and other receptions.

## "THE POOLS"

One of the highlights of a stay at Boulder Hot Springs is soaking or swimming in our spring-fed pools. Our outdoor swimming pool is kept seasonally temperate - warmer in winter and cooler in summer.

Three tiled indoor pools, with changing and shower areas, offer men and women separate facilities for soaking in Peace Valley's healing geothermal waters. Back in 1910, Helena chemist Emil Starz found the water from Boulder Hot Springs to contain some of the earth's most beneficial medicinal salts, thought to be effective in treating many physical conditions. And, they still do today. Water flows from the ground at temperatures between 150° and 175° F and is kept at approximately 104° - 106° in the baths. Plunges are open to campers and room guests seven days a week. If you have any health issues, please consult your physician before entering the water.

### **MASSAGE**

When massage staff is available, Boulder Hot Springs offers professional massage to guests for an additional fee. Please set up massage needs with the Manager prior to your visit.

### **WHAT TO BRING**

- Swimsuits for the outdoor pool and men's indoor pool.
- Personal items and toiletries
- Light shoes or slippers for indoor use

#### ***The following are not allowed on the premises:***

- Matches, candles, incense, fire of any kind
- Cooking • Smoking • Pets
- Alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs

### **GETTING HERE**

Boulder Hot Springs is located in beautiful southwestern Montana, halfway between Helena and Butte.

- **By Air.** Delta, Alaska and United Airlines service Montana's nearest airports: Helena (35 min.) Butte (45 min.) and Bozeman (90 min.). Rides are available to and from the airports for a fee. To arrange to be picked up, call us at the Hot Springs (406-225-4339).
- **By Car.** Heading west on Interstate 90, take the Boulder/Cardwell exit and follow Montana Highway 69 north 30 miles toward Boulder. From Interstate 15, take the Boulder exit and follow Highway 69 through town. Boulder Hot Springs is 3 miles south of Boulder on Highway 69.

The Boulder Hot Springs wants us to know that not all of their buildings have been renovated. Their soaking pools and the guest rooms on all three floors of the East Wing have been completely refurbished. The large meeting room floor and old lobby floor in the West Wing has been restored to the hardwood maple which was covered by carpet and linoleum for many years. There is still other renovation needed in their West Wing. Their newly restored veranda provides a wonderful space to meet or just hang out and enjoy the lovely view.

The Boulder Hot Springs takes special pride in our hot and cold pools and steam rooms. They use no chemicals in our indoor pools, which are drained, cleaned and refilled regularly. The water in our outdoor pool is treated with bromine. The Boulder Hot Springs has been dubbed the "Grandmother of all Montana Hot Springs" because our springs are hotter and stronger than any in the state.

Boulder Hot Springs is a member of the "Green" Hotel Association which strives to encourage, promote and support ecological consciousness in the hospitality industry.