

HOMEOWNER'S NARRATIVE

What we love about our home:

We are only the second owners of this well built home. It has been impeccably maintained and we feel very fortunate to have called it our home.

We have made it our own by updating the house on every level, from finishing the basement, to giving all the finishes a modern facelift. Each update focused on aesthetic appeal, functionality, and efficiency. The wood stove creates efficient heating throughout the house and also heats the main-level floor for cozy warmth on bare feet. There is also a great balance of sun in the winter that brightens the house and provides just the right amount of solar gain. In the summer, the house receives shade and the ever-present light breezes keep it cool.

A mile away from the highway on a dead-end, county maintained road, the paved driveway offers ample parking and area to play. We have enjoyed many days sitting on the porch and watching our kids learn to ride bikes, play basketball, and swing on the swing set. Around the house, we have thinned trees for fire mitigation.

Without a doubt, our favorite features of this house are the backyard/deck area and its proximity to additional outdoor spaces. First, the yard is like no other. It has been a dream to have a sodded yard where we can play without shoes while also being surrounded by the aspens, pine trees, and wildflowers. In the warm summer months, one of our favorite pastimes is picking wild strawberries and raspberries that grow bountifully around the yard. In the evenings, eating dinner on the deck and listening to the peaceful aspens shudder in the breeze while spotting a moose, deer, or turkey is like having dinner and a show. Additionally, the neighborhood provides several ponds within walking distance where fishing or swimming are the perfect activities for a hot day.

There is access to even more if you venture out of the neighborhood. For an outdoorsy day, Arapahoe National forest is just around the corner and the house is close to James Peak Wilderness, Chase Gulch Reservoir, and Golden Gate Canyon State Park. If you're looking for something in the city, Evergreen, Golden, Boulder and Denver are half an hour to an hour's drive away. Locally, the school is right across the highway, the recreation center is right up the road, and the town of Black Hawk and Central City offer coffee and boutique shops.

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