

WALKING TOUR OF HISTORIC TWIN LAKES VILLAGE
STRETCH YOUR LEGS AND ENJOY THE HISTORY

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Lang Rd.

Highway 82

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PLEASE VIEW NON-COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES FROM NEARBY ROADS

1. Red Rooster Visitor Center built in 1870s (former uses: general store, tavern, hotel, brothel....).
2. Twin Lakes General Store, current structure built in 1964, the location has served as a General Store, gas station and former Post Office for many years.
3. Twin Lakes Inn built in 1882, a/k/a Maggie Webber's Hotel (see a picture of Maggie in the Red Rooster); Twin Peaks Hotel; Wolf Hotel; Twin Lakes Nordic Inn; Inn of the Black Wolf (in addition to hotel and tavern services, ladies of the evening were known to entertain there).
4. Log cabin built as a lodging house in the 1860's. Temporarily served as courthouse when Dayton (now Twin Lakes) became the county seat; also served as blacksmith shop for Patrick Ryan and a headquarters for his stagecoach line. Patrick Ryan helped put Twin Lakes on the map (see his stagecoach ad in the Red Rooster).
5. Twin Lakes Dance Hall built in 1888.
6. Club rooms for "cards and pool" or overflow from the Red Rooster. (1888)
7. Another Patrick Ryan blacksmith shop with Ole Jim the horse painted on shutter.
8. Cabins and homes that were relocated to Twin Lakes Village from lake side locations when dams were raised.
9. Hotel Delmonico built in 1881, a/k/a Lake Hotel, Twin Trout Hotel, Holt Hotel, Anderson Hotel (see photos in the Red Rooster).
10. Patrick Ryan's home built as a wedding present for his wife in 1896 (1st home with running interior water; original Twin Lakes Schoolhouse was incorporated into the structure and remodeled into a kitchen on the back of the home).
11. Patrick Ryan's carriage house.
12. Patrick Ryan's earthen roof building est. 1880s. There are other Ryan workshops near this building.
13. Ice House that stored ice blocks sawed out of Twin Lakes. Formerly stored horses for Patrick Ryan's stagecoaches.
14. Patrick Ryan's windmill and storage for water that was gravity fed to the Ryan Home (1897)
15. Patrick Ryan's cabin 1880s and add-on where he lived before moving to the marital home.
16. Willard House built in 1879. One of the first general stores (see photo in the Red Rooster). May have also provided rooms and "services."
17. Twin Lakes Schoolhouse built in 1895 serving as a school through 1959; owned by the Lake County School District (former uses: library/ book exchange, religious services and community center, now leased to Friends of Twin Lakes.)
18. Merrill family home built in 1888 a/k/a Squire's house (currently, the Olsen Cabins).
19. Old chicken coop sans roof.
20. The Fine House built in 1880s.
21. Assayer's Office where miners brought their ores to be checked for precious metal content (1880s).
22. Clarion Hotel, built in 1879 by mining investor T.C. Wetmore, an adobe structure operated as a hotel during the end of the 1800s with dormitory style rooms filled with parallel cots. The building and others in the Historic Park (located south of Highway 82) were purchased by the federal government in 1978; the Leadville Ranger District oversees the properties and the Visitor Center is staffed by Friends of Twin Lakes volunteers.

PUBLIC RESTROOMS ARE LOCATED BEHIND/BETWEEN THE CLARION HOTEL AND RED ROOSTER

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