

Gunnison County

Cochetopa District (aka Cochetopa Creek District; aka Green Mountain District; aka Gold Basin District)

The Cochetopa District lies mainly in Saguache County, but extends into southern Gunnison County along Cochetopa Creek. Henderson (1926) listed the Cochetopa District; later, Vanderwilt also named the district and considered it synonymous with the Gold Basin and Green Mountain Districts. Streufert (1999) in his compilation of data on Gunnison County, also groups those three districts. Afifi (1981) writes about the "**Iris District**," but it's not clear that he is referring to a mining district, per se, or just the area of the Iris Quadrangle. Mindat.org notes that it is synonymous with the Cochetopa Creek District.

Mines in the district (Sheridan and Raymond, 1984; Afifi, 1981; Drobek, 1981; mindat.org) include:

- Lucky Strike
- [Maple Leaf Mine \(Royal; Little Nellie; Maple Leaf No. 2; Lubricator; Claims: Maple Leaf\)](#)¹
- Denver City Mine²
- Gold Basin District Occurrence (Patented Claim: Belle Flora)²
- Graflin Mine (Robert H.; E. S.; Hill Top 1-3; Indiana; Amazon; Capital Prize; Morning Star; Dalore; Carrie G.; Baltimore Boy)²
- Lubricator
- Lucky Strike Mine (Modoc; Horse Shoe; Belle Valaisane; Only Chance; Mammoth; Patented Claims: Lucky Strike)²
- [Lula Mine](#)² (Lulu)
- Mineral Hill
- Hathaway
- Black Cat
- Denver City
- Yukon
- Graflin
- Shaunee #33

Notes: ¹ Listed by mindat.org in the Cochetopa/Cochetopa Creek District.

² Listed by mindat.org in the Green Mountain/Gold Basin District.

Minerals listed in the district (mindat.org) include:

Actinolite	Galena	Muscovite
'Biotite'	Gold	var: Sericite
Calcite	Hematite	Pyrrhotite
Chalcopyrite	'Hornblende'	Quartz
'Chlorite Group'	'Limonite'	Sphalerite
Fluorite		'Tourmaline'

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