

## **Chamma Ling Colorado**

Supportive, Beautiful Environment for Group and Solitary Retreats



Mountains near Chamma LingCindy Pearson Garcia writes about this solitary retreat center in the Colorado Rockies.

Silence, stillness, spaciousness – words of wisdom from our beloved teacher, Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche, and pervasive qualities inherent at the retreat land known as Chamma Ling Colorado.

Nestled amongst the Pinion Pines and Juniper trees, the retreat center offers the solitary practitioner abundant support for meditation and contemplation. The towering 14,000-foot Rocky Mountain peaks and national forest cradle the center and provide the ideal, natural environment for those working with dzogchen and the natural elements. The expansive view to the West looks out over the Baca National Wildlife Refuge and is the perfect setting for sky gazing, sunset viewing and basking in the brilliant starry night sky. To the south the Great Sand Dunes National Park resides in splendor and has been noted as one of the quietest places on earth. As working with the elements to bring balance and clarity runs throughout the Tibetan Bon tradition, this retreat location is an ideal setting for deep maturation of the dedicated practitioner.

While visiting the Crestone/Baca area many years ago, Tenzin Wangyal Rinpoche recognized these spectacular qualities and set intention for development of the retreat land so generously donated by Hanne and Maurice Strong of the Manitou Foundation. Immense effort and donations have gone into Chamma Ling over the years, and the retreat center is now thriving and providing wonderful practice opportunities for many people in the Bon tradition, as well as other practitioners from various other lineages.



*Retreat cabin and Cabin kitchen* Cabins are thoughtfully designed, each with a kitchen, bedroom, practice space with shrine and bath with hot shower. Accommodations are specific for the independent practitioner, for a closed retreat, or dark retreat, which the cabins are expertly crafted to support. Attendant services can be arranged for meal preparation, grocery shopping/delivery and specific needs as necessary, with special attention given to dark retreat intricacies.

