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COLORADO'S HISTORIC TRAINS

featuring Six Scenic Rail Excursions and Three National Parks

Departure Date: July 30th, 2027

Embark on a scenic adventure through the majestic Colorado Rockies aboard historic trains! Colorado boasts a variety of rail tours, from narrow-gauge steamers chugging through mountain valleys to modern trains traversing breathtaking canyons. Immerse yourself in stunning scenery, explore charming towns, and discover the rich railroad history of the state. Choose your Colorado railroad tour and get ready for an unforgettable journey!


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Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad

DAY 1 Arrive in Denver

Welcome to Denver, the “Mile High City.” Meet your fellow travelers at 5:00 p.m. for a get-acquainted dinner hosted by your Tour Manager.

Meal: D

DAY 2 Rocky Mountain National Park

Departing Denver, venture into Rocky Mountain National Park, a living showcase of the grandeur of the Rocky Mountains. With elevations ranging from 8,000 feet on the wet, grassy valleys to 14,259 feet at the weather-ravaged top of Longs Peak, the park is filled with breathtaking scenery and experiences. Following the Trail Ridge Road a stop at the Alpine Visitor Center offers an opportunity to learn more about this fascinating place. Meal: B



Leadville Colorado & Southern Railroad

DAY 3 Leadville Colorado & Southern Railroad

Today, travel to historic Leadville to board the Leadville Colorado & Southern Railroad. While onboard, learn about the fascinating history of the railroads and hear ghost stories and tales of the wild from your conductor while traveling north along the Arkansas River Valley. Rising up 1,000 feet from the valley floor you will be greeted by spectacular views of Fremont Pass and the two tallest peaks in Colorado, Mount Massive and Mount Elbert. Later, travel through scenic Monarch Pass and Curecanti National Recreation Area and visit the Black Canyon of Gunnison National Park while en route to Montrose. Meals: B, Box Lunch

DAY 4 Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad

Today, it’s “full steam ahead” as you board the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad. Voted one of the “Top Ten Most Exciting Train Journeys in the World” by the Society of American Travel Writers, this route winds through the spectacular and breathtaking canyons in the remote wilderness of the two-million-acre San Juan National Forest. The locomotives have been converted from coal to the oil-fired, steam-operated engines used today. Later, check into the Sky Ute Casino Resort. Meals: B, D

DAY 5 Mesa Verde National Park

Visit the land of the ancient Pueblo Indians in Mesa Verde National Park. The fascinating cliff dwellings and culture of these people provide you with a look into a society that existed approximately 1,400 years ago. Building elaborate stone communities, the Ancestral Puebloan people developed their own society that existed for some 700 years, before disappearing. Meals: B, D

DAY 6 Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad

Your day begins as you board the motorcoach and ride to the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad, the original Rio Grande Line. This is



Mesa Verde National Park

America's most spectacular narrow gauge steam railroad. Explore 50 miles of wild and rugged territory between Chama, New Mexico and Antonito, Colorado, the highest point on the railroad. Meals: B, L

DAY 7 Royal Gorge Route Railroad and Garden of the Gods

Aboard the Royal Gorge Railroad follow the 12-mile route along the old Denver and Rio Grande Western train line. Ride through the "Grand Canyon of the Arkansas" on an unforgettable journey over the famous Hanging Bridge, which clings precariously to the steep granite walls of Royal Gorge. Then, enjoy a drive through the stunning Garden of the Gods. This 1,300 acre park reflects the rich diversity of the terrain and red sandstone formations tell a unique geological story.

Meal: B

DAY 8 Pikes Peak Cog Railway and Cripple Creek

Begin the day with a "Ride to the Clouds" aboard the Pikes Peak Cog Railway, the highest cog railroad in the U.S. which stretches nine miles long as it vertically climbs to almost 14,000 feet. Then ride on the Cripple Creek & Victor Narrow Gauge Railroad. Scenic wonders await around every curve and this century-old steam locomotive is reminiscent of the gold mining days of the area. This evening assemble for a farewell dinner, sharing memories of this unforgettable scenic rail adventure. Meals: B, D

DAY 9 Denver and Home

Following breakfast, say goodbye to Colorado with a group transfer to the Denver International Airport for flights home after 12:00 p.m.

Meal: B

Itinerary subject to change.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Day 1 – Embassy Suites Airport, Denver, Colorado

Day 2 – Hyatt Place, Keystone, Colorado

Day 3 – Hampton Inn, Montrose, Colorado

Days 4 and 5 – Sky Ute Casino Resort, Ignacio, Colorado

Day 6 – Hampton Inn, Alamosa, Colorado

Days 7 and 8 – Radisson Hotel, Colorado Springs, Colorado



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- 14 Meals: 8 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 4 dinners
- Round trip airport transfers
- Experience SIX scenic rail excursions following historic routes of the Old West:
 - Travel along the Arkansas River Valley aboard the Leadville Colorado & Southern Railroad
 - Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, voted one of the "Top Ten Most Exciting Rail Journeys in the World"
 - Ride through the Rockies aboard the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad
 - Ride the Royal Gorge Route Railroad across the famous Hanging Bridge
 - Relive the gold mining days aboard the Cripple Creek & Victor Narrow Gauge Railroad
 - Climb 14,000 feet on the Pikes Peak Cog Railway
- Visit beautiful Rocky Mountain National Park, a living showcase of the grandeur of the Rocky Mountains
- Tour Mesa Verde National Park with its amazing cliff dwellings, home to "the Ancient Ones"
- Visit the Black Canyon of Gunnison National Park
- Drive through Garden of the Gods Park with its unique red sandstone formations



Pikes Peak Cog Railway

