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# The Colorado Rockies

June 19 – 27, 2026



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**9 Days • 12 Meals:** 7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 4 Dinners

**HIGHLIGHTS...** Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado National Monument, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park, Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, Mesa Verde National Park (UNESCO), Pikes Peak Cog Railway

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Days 1, 2	Grand Hyatt Denver, Denver, Colorado
Days 3, 4	Doubletree Hotel Grand Junction, Grand Junction, Colorado
Days 5, 6	Durango Strater Hotel, Durango, Colorado
Days 7, 8	Embassy Suites Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs, Colorado

*On some dates alternate hotels may be used.*

#### Day 1: Friday, June 19, 2026 Denver, Colorado

Adventure awaits as you explore the towering peaks and rolling meadows of Colorado. As traveler's arrival times vary greatly, we have no group activities planned during the day. This tour (which features four national parks) opens in the "Mile High City" of Denver where you will gather for a welcome dinner with your fellow travelers. (D)

#### Day 2: Saturday, June 20, 2026 Denver - Rocky Mountain National Park - Denver

Travel through Boulder, a scenic university town known for its iconic landmark... the striking, reddish-brown foothills known as the Flatirons. Stop in Estes Park, a mountain resort town and home of the Stanley Hotel, the inspiration for Stephen King's *The Shining*. Your adventure in Rocky Mountain National Park starts on the Trail Ridge Road, the highest paved, continuous highway in North America. It's a drive that should be on everybody's bucket list. At Rainbow Curve, marvel at the majestic mountains that stand in contrast to deep, rugged canyons. Later, return to Denver for a free evening in this dynamic city. (B)

#### Day 3: Sunday, June 21, 2026 Denver - Colorado National Monument - Grand Junction

The spectacular Rocky Mountains are your traveling companion. Make a scenic drive from Denver to Grand Junction, passing through many of Colorado's famous ski resorts. This journey also takes you to one of the grand landscapes of the American West – Colorado National Monument. Continue along the monument's historic Rim Rock Drive to see a colorful panorama of deep, sheer-sided canyons and high rock towers. Gather for dinner at a favorite local hangout in Grand Junction, a town that attracts outdoorsmen, foodies and all manner of free spirits. (B, D)

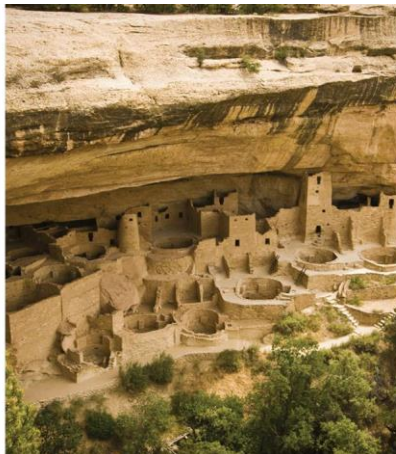
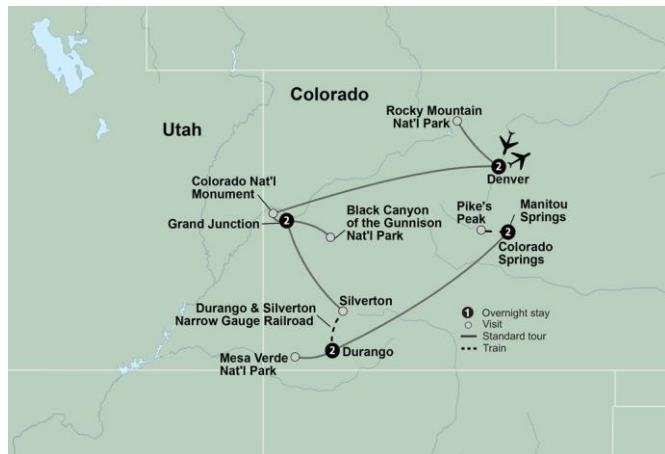
#### Day 4: Monday, June 22, 2026 Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park - Grand Junction

Today, venture to another amazing national park – Colorado's own "Grand Canyon"! Marvel at the steep-walled gorge and dramatic views of Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park while travelling along its South Rim. Pause at one of the scenic viewpoints to soak in this stunning wilderness of rock, water, and sky. Enjoy a picnic lunch overlooking some of the steepest and oldest rock walls in North America, carved over 2 million years by the Gunnison River. Perhaps you'll even spot a peregrine falcon. Then, immerse yourself in the stories of the American west during a tour of the Museum of the Mountain West, a preserved and re-created pioneer town that captures life as it was over a century ago. Return to Grand Junction for an evening at leisure. (B, L)

#### Day 5: Tuesday, June 23, 2026 Grand Junction - Silverton - Durango

Head south to Silverton, a former silver mining town and now a National Historic Landmark. Hidden high in the San Juan Mountains, this town blends spectacular scenery, Victorian charm and historic architecture. Then it's "all aboard" the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad. This 1881 coal-fired, steam-powered locomotive made its name hauling silver and gold ore from the San Juan Mountains, but





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you will soon realize it is the view that is its most precious asset. (B)

**Day 6: Wednesday, June 24, 2026 Durango - Mesa Verde National Park - Durango** An incredible day awaits in Mesa Verde National Park (UNESCO), home of the ancient Ancestral Puebloan civilization. Join a local guide on a drive through the park making several photo stops including views of the famous Spruce Tree House, one of Mesa Verde's best preserved cliff dwellings and Cliff Palace, the largest in the park. This evening, experience a farm-to-table dinner on a family-owned ranch surrounded by red mountain peaks and lush green pastures. (B, D)

**Day 7: Thursday, June 25, 2026 Durango - Colorado Springs** Sit back and relax during a scenic ride to Colorado Springs. En route, marvel at the landscape as you make your way from the San Juan National Forest and across Wolf Creek Pass, a section of the Continental Divide that would take pioneers two to three weeks to cross. Continue on through the Rio Grande National

Forest, a vast expanse of wilderness named for the 1,800 miles of Rio Grande River that cuts through the forest. Your day concludes in Colorado Springs, an artistic and cultural hub. (B)

**Day 8: Friday, June 26, 2026 Colorado Springs - Manitou Springs - Colorado Springs** Depart for Manitou Springs, home of Pike's Peak – the legendary symbol of the 1859 Gold Rush. Embark on a journey aboard the Pike's Peak Cog Railway, the world's highest cog railroad, for an 8.9 mile trip to the top of Pike's Peak. During the journey you will see magnificent views and perhaps animals in their native habitat. Later, travel to the Garden of the Gods to take in the view of towering sandstone formations that dot the landscape set in the backdrop of majestic Pikes Peak. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner and celebrate your adventure. (B, D)

**Day 9: Saturday, June 27, 2026 Colorado Springs - Tour Ends** Your tour comes to a close in Colorado Springs.

### Experience It! Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad

Join us for a ride on the stunning Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad. Winding through the wilderness, this narrow-gauge railway was originally constructed to haul gold and silver ore from the San Juan Mountains. Due to the incredible views, it soon became popular with passengers and tourists alike. The Durango & Silverton has run continuously since 1881. Over that time, it has seen many changes... yet the durable line continues to roll on in much the same fashion as those early days. Today, this line (now a National Historic Landmark) carries travelers behind vintage, coal-fired steam locomotives.

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## Important Tour Information:

**Book Now rates valid until Dec 19, 2025, valid on air inclusive packages only.**

**The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2.** This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

**Travel with an average of 37 people (maximum of 44).**

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

This tour includes traveling to high altitudes (approximately 14,110 ft/4300 m) and may not be suitable for some clients. We suggest that you consult your physician if you have any concerns.

When reserving a triple room, please note it will have two double beds. Due to fire safety regulations, a rollaway bed cannot be brought into the room.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Our air travelers will depart from Denver, Colorado.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Due to tour scheduling, return flights should not be booked prior to 9:30 a.m.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

## Travel Requirements:

### IDENTIFICATION

Travel within USA

For travel completed by May 6, 2025, all airlines will ask for identification when you check in. It is recommended that you carry a passport if you have one. A driver's license (with a photo I.D.) is also acceptable for domestic flights.



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