

DURANGO, CO WINTER ITINERARY

Day 1

Start your first day in Durango with breakfast from a local favorite: CJ's Diner. This diner serves up some of the best traditional American breakfasts in Durango. After breakfast, head out on highway 550 towards Purgatory Mountain Resort. Stop at the Nordic Skiing Center just north of the Purgatory entrance where you can explore 20 kilometers of scenic forest trails that are groomed for classic cross-country and snow tubing. After fun on the snow head back into town and grab a bite to eat at Switchback Taco Bar where you can enjoy street tacos, quesadillas, craft cocktails, and more. Afterward, take a stroll around downtown and explore the assortment of shops offering everything from fine art to fun gifts. After a day of outdoor activity, you'll be ready for a warm meal and a cold drink. Be sure to check out the Animas Brewing Company for dinner. This microbrewery proudly serves craft beer, Irish-influenced food, and more.

Day 2

Start the morning off with breakfast and coffee from Bread, a local bakery that has become a fixture in Durango's outdoor community. After breakfast, jump on highway 550 once again for a day of skiing and snowboarding at Purgatory Mountain Resort. Ski and snowboard gear rentals, as well as lift tickets, can be found in the base area. Purgatory boasts more than 1,600 skiable acres and amazing views of the San Juan Mountains. When it's time for apres-ski head down to the base area and check out Purgy's for lunch. After a full day at Purgatory Resort head back to town and enjoy hot chocolate and other treats from Animas Chocolate Company. Afterward, explore Main Avenue and the many shops like Maria's Bookstore where you can find guidebooks, trail maps, gifts, and more. For dinner, head down a couple of blocks to 11th Street Station for a night of live music and food trucks with options for everyone.

Day 3

Another big day of outdoor adventures is ahead and starts with a hearty breakfast from College Drive Cafe. After breakfast head over to 2nd Avenue Sports for fat bike rentals and set out to shred some local trails. The Horse Gulch trails are perfect for winter fat biking and can be accessed from the shop. Ride back into town and stop at RGP's for a lunch worthy of post-winter-fat-biking-hunger. RGP's is a great cycling-oriented cafe perfectly suited for a post-ride meal. After lunch, return the bike rentals and explore Main Avenue. Be sure to check out the assortment of local art galleries, bookstores, boutiques, and more. If you need more winter fun take the crew to Chapman Hill for indoor ice skating. For dinner be sure to check out Nayarit, a local favorite that features traditional-style Mexican food.

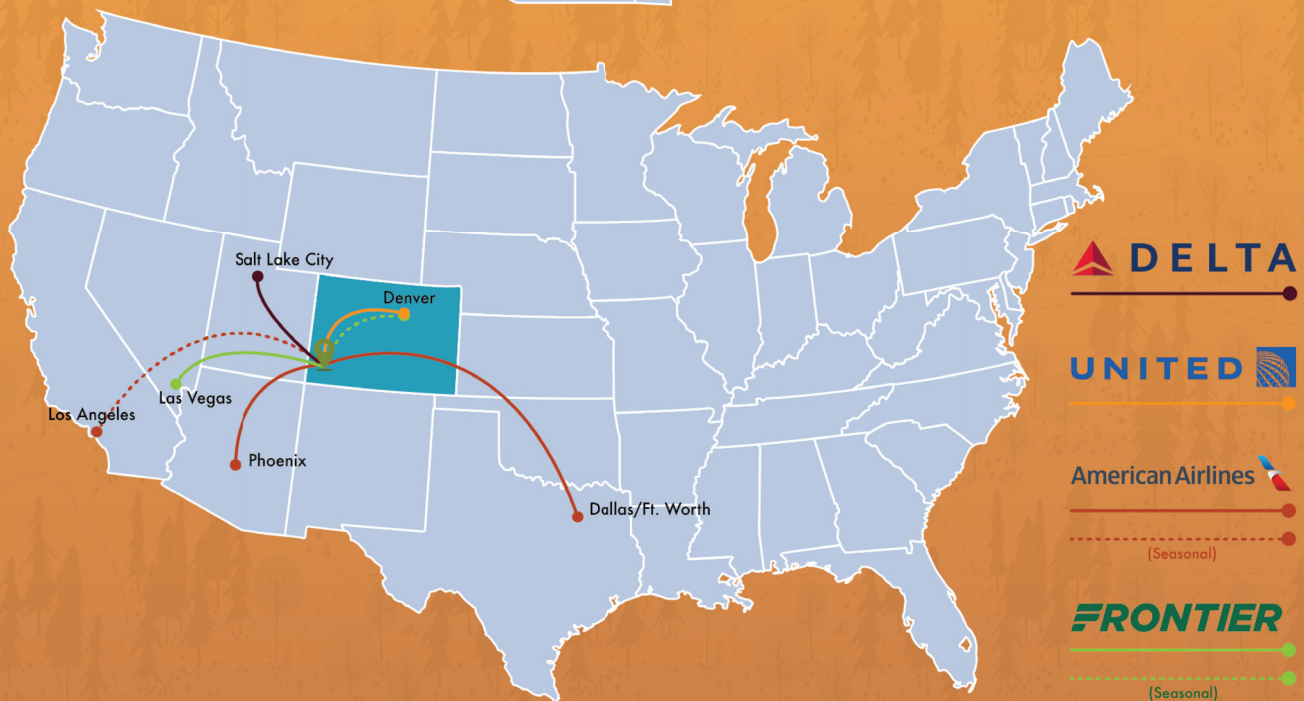
Day 4

Start your final day in Durango off with donuts from Durango Doughworks. Next, head north on Main Avenue to the Ski Barn for snowshoe rentals for a winter hike. Head out on highway 550 towards Molas Pass Summit for your next winter adventure. You'll find that snowshoeing on Segment 25 of the Colorado Trail (just across the road from the summit lookout) is a safe hike with beautiful views. Head back to town and drop off your gear at the Ski Barn and grab lunch at Grassburger, just a few blocks from the gear shop. After lunch, pony up for an evening accented with an old-fashioned sleigh ride. Top off your winter adventure with dinner from El Moro Spirits and Tavern, a former saloon during Durango's mining era that is now a new-American eatery.



WHERE IS DURANGO?

How do I get There?



SEE WHAT YOU'VE BEEN MISSING!

GROUPS@DURANGO.ORG | DURANGO.ORG | (970) 247-3500 | (800) 525-8855 | 802 MAIN AVENUE, DURANGO, CO 81301

VISIT **DURANGO**
COLORADO