

A DOZEN VACATIONS IN ONE DESTINATION™



Durango, Colorado offers an authentic experience for all itineraries.

DISCOVER DURANGO!

Leisure, Sightseeing, Fall Foliage Trips

There is no place like Southwestern Colorado to enjoy mountain scenery. Durango is located along the 236-mile San Juan Skyway, a Scenic and Historic Byway. In the fall, richly colored autumn Aspen and scrub oak leaves contrast the mountain cliffs and 14,000-foot peaks for spectacular scenery.

Culture, Heritage and Western

Durango's history, and that of the Southwest, is well preserved in world-class museums, parks, monuments and tours. Take in local history: see historic steam trains, watch a gunfight, experience the Native American Indian culture at the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum, take a carriage ride, explore Mesa Verde National Park and Chimney Rock National Monument and enjoy a chuckwagon barbecue.

Arts, Galleries and Theatre

A hidden jewel in the arts and cultural world, over a dozen galleries carry treasures from American Indians, Contemporary Western and Southwestern works of museum-quality art including sculptures, pottery, baskets, fine-art photography and home furnishings. Quality live theatre and performances from melodramas to musicals to concerts are available year-round.

Beer, Culinary and Agri-tour

Farm agri-tours, craft breweries, over 100 restaurants and local culinary products highlight a visit to Durango. With more restaurants per capita than San Francisco, Durango is a culinary delight. Enjoy delicious cuisine and Southwestern specialties in a variety of unique and diverse atmospheres.

Outdoor Recreation

Durango boasts an active and healthy lifestyle. Enjoy world-class mountain biking and hiking on hundreds of miles of trails, whitewater rafting, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, horseback riding, boating, jeeping, climbing, ziplining, skiing, snowmobiling, snowboarding and so much more.



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Durango is a picturesque mountain town, nestled at the southwestern foot of the Rocky Mountains. Located in the "Four Corners" region where Colorado meets Utah, Arizona and New Mexico, Durango is the perfect gateway to experience the history of the American West. Durango is also located between three UNESCO World Heritage sites: Mesa Verde National Park, Aztec Ruins National Monument, and Chaco Canyon National Park. Monument Valley and Chimney Rock National Monument are both less than 3 hours away. Durango is also home of the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, making it a must-see for history and archaeology enthusiasts. Durango offers "a dozen vacations in one destination." From old west experiences, ancient ruins, and arts & culture to adventure sports, agritourism and special events, Durango has something to offer to all travelers.



Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad

Relive history with a spectacular journey on a historic train that has been transporting freight and passengers since 1882. Revel in the sites and sounds of a bygone era as the train winds through 46 scenic miles of the San Juan National Forest to the old mining town of Silverton, Colorado. The Railroad Museum brings to life the heritage of railroading in the Rockies through rare photos, memorabilia, locomotives and so much more.

Historic Downtown

Downtown Durango is a Nationally Registered Historic District boasting historic hotels, award-winning restaurants, fabulous art galleries and museums, eclectic shopping and year-round events. Downtown Durango offers a true sense of the heart and soul of our authentic Durango community. The National Trust for Historic Preservation named Durango, CO to its 2007 list of America's Dozen Distinctive Destinations.

Mesa Verde National Park

Situated in the hills just 35 miles west of Durango, Mesa Verde Country is the archaeological center of America. Mesa Verde Country is home to Mesa Verde National Park, the Ute Mountain Tribal Park, Hovenweep National Monument, the Anasazi Heritage Center and Crow Canyon Archaeological Center. Mesa Verde National Park is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and offers visitors an unforgettable opportunity to see and experience the life of the ancient Ancestral Puebloans. www.nps.gov/meve

Animas River

If the soul of Durango is its old west history, then its heart is surely the Animas River. Running right through Durango, the Animas River offers Gold Medal trout fishing, world-class rafting, kayaking and tubing. Strolling on the seven-mile paved Animas River trail is a great way to take in nature's bounty, within blocks from Historic Downtown's inspiring shopping, galleries, and dining. These are just a few of the reasons why Durango was one of Outside Magazine's Top 10 River Towns in 2012.

Purgatory at Durango Mountain Resort (DMR)

Named the "Best Value Ski Spot" by TripAdvisor and hailed as a "Top 10 Emerging Ski Town in North America" by National Geographic. The resort provides snow enthusiasts 88 trails, five terrain parks, 10 chairlifts and 1,360 skiable acres for skiers and boarders of all levels. With an average annual snowfall of 260 inches and over 300 days of sunshine a year, DMR has incredible winter weather. There's snow tubing, dog sledding, Nordic skiing, snowshoeing, horse-drawn sleigh rides, ice climbing, snowbiking, backcountry skiing, snowmobiling and more. In summer, enjoy the Alpine slide, mini golf, scenic chairlift ride, miles of trails for hikers and bikers, amazing views, Diggler scooter tours and more.

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