



# WELCOME TO GRANBY, COLORADO

### WHERE ADVENTURE AWAITS

Granby, Colorado has come a long way from its roots as a logging and railroad community to become the perfect vacation destination for you and your family. Founded in 1905, Granby is known for its friendly atmosphere, great climate, and close proximity to Denver.

At 7,935 ft. above sea level, Granby offers the ultimate Colorado Rocky Mountain experience. Here you'll find miles of trails to traverse, rivers to fish, lakes to play in, mountains to ski, and golf courses with the most beautiful views. Not to mention Agate Avenue, our town's Main Street, which boasts restaurants, shopping, and other local discoveries.

When you arrive, begin your visit at the **Granby Information Center** at **516 E Agate Ave**. It's your one-stop shop for information, maps, and brochures about the Granby area.

Use this Visitor Guide to explore recreation ideas, suggested itineraries, travel tips, and more. For more detailed information, make sure to visit our website at **www.destinationgranby.com**.

# ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK

The majestic Rocky Mountain National Park, home of some of the most beautiful mountains in the United States, is a place that visitors to Granby won't want to miss. People of all ages can enjoy countless activities, including breathtaking drives, hiking, snowshoeing, horseback riding, and much more! Travelers to Granby can access the park via the Grand Lake/West Entrance, which is just a 20-minute drive from town.

### RECREATION

The sheer number of things to do in Rocky Mountain National Park never fails to amaze. Enjoy its 355 miles of beautiful hiking trails year-round, and depending on the season take summer strolls, winter treks, or intensive hikes. In the summer and fall, enjoy wildlife watching, camping, fishing, and horseback riding. In winter and spring, when snow falls are frequent, you can gaze at snowy mountain peaks and lakes, go snowshoeing and cross-country skiing, and take winter treks along the park's trails.

### WILDLIFE

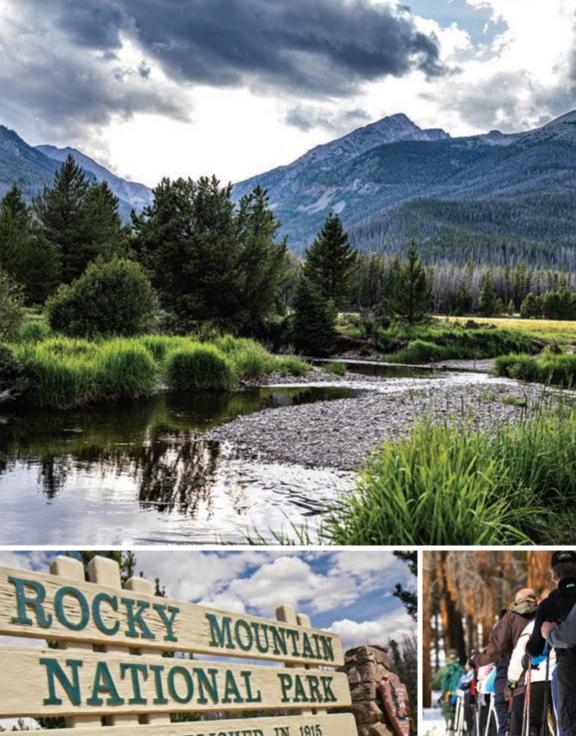
Rocky Mountain National Park is home to a diverse range of animals, including significant populations of large animals, including herds of moose, elk, bighorn sheep, and mule deer. Watching these stately animals run free is a truly incredible sight to behold. If you want to catch a glimpse of wildlife in the Kawaneechee Valley, dusk is the perfect time to look out for a few critters easily seen from the road.

### SCENIC DRIVES

No trip to Rocky Mountain National Park is complete without taking a scenic drive, including a drive along Trail Ridge Road, the legendary "highway in the sky." This 48-mile road is the highest continuous paved road in the country that eventually ends up in the picturesque mountain town of Estes Park. At its highest elevation, Trail Ridge Road reaches 12,183 feet. The cliff-hugging highway is as impressive for its engineering as for its stunning vistas. The road is entirely paved, but is only able to be fully accessed during the months of May or June through October due to snow in the winter months.

Opposite page: Park signage (lower left) and snowshoe tour (lower right) images courtesy of Grand County Colorado Tourism Board.















# WINTER & SPRING RECREATION

Visit Granby for an iconic Colorado winter experience. Head into the snow for everything from classic skiing and snowboarding to exhilarating rides on a snowmobile or dog sled. When you're ready to warm up, we'll be here to welcome you back. Winter adventures are more fun when your basecamp is an authentic mountain town.

#### SKIING & SNOWBOARDING

Just 3 miles from downtown, Granby Ranch features nearly 1,000 feet of vertical and 900 acres of skiable terrain for all ability levels. Designed and operated with families in mind, Granby Ranch is widely regarded as one of the best areas in Colorado to learn to ski or ride with their acres of beginner slopes. They have free parking just steps from the chairlifts, as well as full-service gear rentals and ski and ride lessons to complete your

# NORDIC SKIING & SNOWSHOEING

experience.

Granby is perfectly positioned in between four Nordic ski areas with maintained and groomed winter trails, ideal for any type of cross-country skiing. Some even offer equipment rentals, lessons, and guided tours. Or if you're looking for a way to explore Granby's extensive trail system in the winter, snowshoeing is the perfect activity. Wherever there is snow, there are snowshoe possibilities!

### SNOWMOBILING

Groomed trails or deep backcountry powder, no matter which, your unbeatable snowmobiling adventure starts in Granby. Take a guided tour, rent a snowmobile for an unguided adventure, or bring your own sled. Our area boasts more than 1,000 miles of snowmobiling trails, nearly 150 inches of annual snowfall, and hundreds of thousands of acres of pristine terrain to explore.

Opposite page: Top image courtesy of Granby Ranch. Lower image courtesy of Grand County Colorado Tourism Board.







# SUMMER & FALL RECREATION

Granby is about to become your favorite new basecamp for adventure. You'll find sweeping vistas and all the outdoor experiences Colorado has to offer. From tranquil golfing to adrenaline-pumping mountain bike trails, outdoors experiences abound here.

#### HIKING

Hiking opportunities are endless in and around Granby. Trails range in difficulty from easy to difficult, providing something for everyone. Opt for a short hike or head out into the backcountry for some extended time in the wilderness. From a stroll around the lake to a vertical climb up a mountain, you can fill your vacation with a variety of stunning hikes.

### BIKING

Located between Winter Park, Arapaho National Forest, and Rocky Mountain National Park, Granby is an ideal destination for bikers of all ages and skill levels. With over 600 miles of mountain biking trails within the county, Granby is situated in a perfect location. Single tracks, downhill bike parks, all day trails, and even lift-serviced trails; if it's mountain biking, it's here. Looking for something super mellow? Head into downtown Granby to rent a bike or cruiser for a leisurely ride around town.



### GOLFING

Two of the four world-class golf courses in the county are located in Granby, which is why planning a golf outing here is the perfect way to create unforgettable memories. Grand Elk Golf Club and Granby Ranch both offer courses that any aficionado will enjoy. Located less than 3 miles from downtown Granby, both offer lessons, rentals, and of course, breathtaking views.

Top image courtesy of Grand County Colorado Tourism Board.





# WATER RECREATION

If you thought our skies were blue, wait until you get out on the lakes and rivers. Water sports are some of the best things to do in the Granby area, so make a day of some fun on the water. With three lakes in the area, you'll have your choice of picturesque bodies of water to plan your day around.

#### BOATING

Lake Granby is just a 10-minute drive from town, so you can easily head to its shores and get out on the water in no time. Three boat launches and three marinas make all kinds of boating possible—with a motor, a sail, or a paddle or two. And with 40 miles of shoreline, you can spread out in the summer and set up for a day at the beach.

#### RAFTING

There's nothing better than the splash of river rapids in your face on a hot Colorado summer day while rafting along a stretch of fresh water. Unless, of course, you prefer a smooth, serene ride. Either way, rafting guides in the Granby area will show you a good time that gets your heart pounding or lets you enjoy a more relaxed ride suitable even for the little ones.



### FISHING

Whether you want to spend some time pole fishing, fly fishing, or ice fishing, Granby is the perfect spot. Rainbow, brown, and lake trout are primarily found in the water systems around here, as well as the much sought-after kokanee salmon. Venture out on your own or hire a local guide to show you the best fishing spots in the area.

Opposite page: Rafting image (bottom) courtesy of Grand County Colorado Tourism Board.

# ART & CULTURE

Granby is famous as a basecamp for adventure, but visitors will be delighted to discover an array of artistic and cultural attractions located nearby and in town.

### MUSEUMS

There are several fascinating museums around Granby where you can discover the area's local history and lore. The Moffat Road Railroad Museum houses a 100-ton steam crane from 1913, a passenger car from 1905, and a bright red caboose dating from the early 1920s. It's also home to Colorado's largest Christmas model train display. The Emily Warner Field Aviation Museum is located in a former terminal at the Granby/Grand County Airport and celebrates the history of aviation in Grand County.

#### THEATER

If you love performing arts and theater, the Rocky Mountain Repertory Theatre in nearby Grand Lake is a fantastic place to enjoy the magic of Broadway right in the heart of the Rockies! The theater puts on amazing musical productions that the whole family will love, and it's just a short drive from Granby.



### MURALS

Drawing from the beauty of the Colorado mountains, our unique wildlife, and the state's colorful art scene, a mural festival in recent years brought the thriving local and national art scene to the mountains. The permanent large-scale public murals that were created will contribute to the county's cultural legacy for years to come. You'll definitely notice these splashes of color as you drive or walk through town.

Inset image (above) courtesy of Rocky Mountain Repertory Theatre. Pictured: P. Tucker Worley and Matilde Bernabei.

Opposite page: Top image courtesy of Moffet Road Railroad Museum.







# EVENTS

For information about any of these events, visit our website at www.destinationgranby.com/events.

### WINTER & SPRING

Tree Lighting 3 Lakes Ice Fishing Contest Granby GrubFest

# SUMMER & FALL

Farmers Market Rodeo 4th of July Parade



# TRIP IDEAS & ITINERARIES

Trying to figure out what to see and do in Granby? Let us give you a hand! We've created a series of itineraries to help you plan what to do, where to go, what to see, and more.

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# FAMILY VACATION WINTER AND SPRING \*\*\*

Spend your family vacation in the winter wonderland that is Granby. Relax in town or head out to do some winter adventuring. Whatever the family prefers, Granby can accommodate.

DAY 1
SPEND THE DAY ENJOYING GRANBY RANCH, OUR LOCAL SKI RESORT JUST MINUTES FROM TOWN. This family-friendly.

easy-access resort is a dream if you've got kids. All ski runs lead to the same base area, so sit by a roaring outdoor fire at the base and watch your older kids make hot laps, or your little ones play in the snow or ride the magic carpet over and over. Child-friendly green runs include fun features like swinging saloon doors and a covered bridge for kids to ski through. One of the best parts is the prices are half that of larger resorts, and parking is just steps from the lift.

DAY 2 THERE IS MORE ADVENTURE TO BE HAD OFF THE SKI SLOPES. There's no better

place to catch the magic of the winter season than at the Moffat Road Railroad Museum. Spend your time marveling at the snow-covered Christmas model train layout that is on display during the holidays, as well as during the summer months. This fascinating museum is completely kid-friendly—ramps, steps, and benches allow for littles to get eye to eye with the engines, and museum director, Dave Naples, complete with his overalls and conductor cap. Dave even hands out scavenger hunts for kids to find hidden toys, dinosaurs, and Santa.

TIME FOR ANOTHER FUN DAY! YMCA of the Rockies - Snow Mountain Ranch is a family gem and must-do no matter what the weather. Stop by the tubing hill for some slippery fun, or grab ice skates and a hockey stick to shoot pucks at the outdoor covered rink. If you'd rather relax, let the stable's horses do the work and pile in under the blankets for a horse drawn sleigh ride. After a morning outside, spend your afternoon in the Kiva Building for some old-school indoor roller skating, indoor wall climbing, or a ping pong tourney. Another great spot for a cold afternoon is the Leggett craft shop, packed with DIY wooden models, jewelry-making supplies, leather craft, ceramics, and more, sure to bring out your little inner artists.

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# FAMILY VACATION SUMMER AND FALL OF

There's no doubt that family-friendly activities abound here. Whether you're looking for a blood pumping adventure or a low-key bonding experience, you're sure to find what you're looking for in and around Granby.

CONSIDER STAYING AT RIVER RUN RV RESORT, which has lots of ways to stay and onsite amenities like a mini bowling alley and arcade. On your first day, start your morning off right by dining at one of our restaurants. Head to one of the marinas on Lake Granby to rent a boat and get out on the water. Spend your day trying your hand at fishing or just enjoying the sparkling waters and incredible views. If more adventurous water activities are your speed, try kayaking, canoeing, or even stand up paddleboarding. Head back to town and enjoy dinner in Granby at a restaurant along Main Street.

DAY 2 WAKE UP EARLY AND GRAB COFFEE, MAKING SURE TO PACK A PICNIC FOR LUNCH. Head for the Monarch Lake Trailhead.

Spend the next few hours walking the loop trail around the lake and on the edge of the forest. This easy hike is perfect for all abilities and families wanting to spend some time outdoors. Find a quiet spot and enjoy your picnic lunch along the shores of this picturesque place. If you'd rather hit the trails on two wheels, check out the mellow Fraser to Granby Trail and spend your day pedaling through the forest.

# DAY 3 HEAD TO YMCA OF THE ROCKIES - SNOW MOUNTAIN RANCH. Spend the

morning enjoying an extraordinary assortment of activities, including archery, mini golf, horseback riding, climbing walls, swimming, tennis, zip lining, and even a summer tubing hill. Once

you're done, head back to Granby and enjoy lunch on a restaurant patio, taking in the sunshine. Spend your afternoon at the Moffat Road Railroad Museum, which is perfect for kids and features Colorado's largest Christmas model train display. It also has locomotives ranging in size from model scale to a 100-ton railroad crane from 1913.

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# **ADVENTURERS**

# WINTER AND SPRING \*

No matter what the weather brings, this is the kind of place where you want to be outside playing as much as possible! Grab your coat and gloves and experience Granby's high-altitude winter outdoor fun.

GET UP EARLY FOR FIRST CHAIR AT GRANBY RANCH SKI RESORT. This family-owned gem has 1,000 feet of vertical and 900 acres of skiable terrain for all ability levels. Free parking just steps from the chairlifts, gear rentals, and lessons make Granby Ranch a one-stop location for your ski or ride experience. If you're a serious powder hound, book a snowcat ski trip with a local company for a guided backcountry experience, spending the day shredding untracked snow. If you want to learn the basics of backcountry skiing on your own, head to Bluebird Backcountry located near Kremmling and just an hour from Granby. This unique resort allows guests to hike and skin uphill—

Granby. This unique resort allows guests to hike and skin uphillthey don't have any chair lifts—before transitioning to skiing or snowboarding back down. End your day with après ski drinks and dinner at one of Granby's bars or brewery.

 $\overline{\mathrm{DAY}\ 2}$  IT'S TIME FOR ANOTHER EXCITING

**DAY.** Spend your morning and afternoon on a snowmobiling adventure either on a guided tour or on your own sled. Explore the Continental Divide with incredible mountain views at 12,000 feet, or head to Arapaho National Forest to explore countless powder fields and high mountain

meadows. Whether you just want to enjoy a brisk ride through the forest or access some of the best backcountry snowmobiling terrain in Colorado, you'll find it here. Find your way back to town for dinner.

TOU'VE EARNED A DAY OF LAID-BACK ADVENTURE. For the morning, choose from snowshoeing or cross country skiing to explore the vast trail systems around Granby. Experience the groomed trails at Granby Ranch and Snow Mountain Ranch, or explore backcountry trails in Rocky Mountain National Park and the surrounding national forests. After lunch at one of Granby's delicious restaurants, spend your afternoon on a once-in-a-lifetime winter experience as you learn the ropes of dog sledding. You'll relax in the sled, taking in views that Colorado is famous for as an experienced musher expertly guides the dogs down a trail.

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# ADVENTURERS SUMMER AND FALL © @

Granby is a haven for active travelers who want to make the most of their time in the mountains. On the trail and on the water, you'll find opportunities for challenge, excitement, and some well-deserved time to unwind.

GRAB A POWER BREAKFAST AT ONE OF GRANBY'S RESTAURANTS and head out for some mountain biking on the Strawberry Trail, only 15 miles from Granby. This out-and-back fourteen-mile ride is moderately difficult, and the scenery is well worth it. Views of alpine valleys and meadows will leave you exhilarated, despite the workout. Head back to your campsite right on the water at Lake Granby and rest your legs while you spend some time kayaking. If you're not ready to sit down yet, take the stand-up paddleboard out for a spin.

IF YOU CAN'T DECIDE BETWEEN HIKING AND FISHING, WHY NOT DO BOTH? Throw plenty of food, water, and supplies into your pack, grab your pole, and make tracks all the way to a pristine alpine lake. Take in the views while you try your luck, and don't forget to take a few photos, too. You can pick out the best ones back at camp in the evening. If you're eager to share some stories about all the fun you're having, head into town for a late bite.

watch the evening progress from your table on the deck while you enjoy dinner alfresco.

SLEEP IN A LITTLE AND GO OUT FOR BRUNCH. You've earned it! Just make sure to bring your sunscreen, splash gear, and other supplies so you can make the afternoon meet-up time for a rafting trip on Clear Creek with MAD Adventures. The intermediate route takes you over Class III and IV whitewater, so it's the perfect trip for those who are able to swim and don't mind paddling the boat as a team along with the guide. At day's end, reward yourself for all that hard work with some takeout, or







### **ROMANTIC GETAWAY**

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Granby is the perfect place for a romantic getaway in the mountains. With cozy and romantic lodging choices, memorable outdoor adventures, and delicious restaurants, spend some quality time here with your one and only.

CHOOSE YOUR LODGING AND FIND A PLACE WITH A FIREPLACE AND OUTDOOR HOT TUB. For your first day, head to Granby Ranch, the local ski resort for a day of fun. The resort features two mountains and 41 snowy trails that can be accessed via the resort's five chairlifts. The 900 acres of skiable terrain are perfect for all ability levels, so you're sure to find something for both of you. When you're ready, head into town for a romantic dinner for two, then make your way back to your room for a soak in the hot tub or curl up by the fire.

AFTER BREAKFAST, EMBARK ON A PRIVATE HORSE-DRAWN SLEIGH RIDE. Snuggle together under warm wool blankets and relax to the sound of bells jingling as a team of gentle-giant draft horses carry a sleigh over glistening snow covered trails. After the ride, warm up by the fire while sipping hot cocoa and roasting marshmallows. After your magical experience, spend the rest of your day strolling through downtown Granby, exploring the local shops.

# DAY 3 SET YOUR ALARM, BUNDLE UP, AND EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF A HOT AIR

miles in every direction with some of the most beautiful views of the Rocky Mountains. End the ride with a post flight traditional champagne toast. Take the afternoon to relax with a massage and a soak in the hot springs at Hot Sulphur Springs Resort & Spa. Natural hot mineral-rich water flows through their 21 mineral pools and baths of varying size and temperature. End your romantic getaway with dining and drinks at one of Granby's restaurants.

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# **ROMANTIC GETAWAY**

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Beauty, inspiration, bluebird days, crisp nights perfect for snuggling—when it's just the two of you, there's no better setting for reconnecting than the Colorado Rocky Mountains.

**WELCOME TO THE HIGH COUNTRY!** Get your bearings and once settled, it's time to explore. You know you're a pretty good team, so make the most of it and rent a tandem bike and cruise around downtown. Have some laughs as you find your balance, and pedal together to explore town or take a spin on the Fraser to Granby Trail. Park your ride to explore downtown's shops and finish up with a glass of wine on the patio at one of Granby's restaurants.

# DAY 2 FOR THE DAY, EXPLORE ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK TOGETHER.

Head to the West Entrance of the park and keep your eyes peeled for elk and moose. Try the Colorado River Trail from La Poudre Pass and follow it to the ghost town of Lulu City, a doable 7-mile round trip hike. After a day's adventure in the park you'll work up an appetite, so head back to town to unwind and share dinner together.

PAY 3 HEAD TO TOWN FOR A STEAMY HOT COFFEE AND QUICK BITE, and take your brew with you to the base of Granby Ranch. A chairlift ride up takes you to one of the most romantic overlooks in the county. From the top of the chairlift, enjoy panoramic views overlooking the Continental Divide and the Fraser Valley—it's a favorite spot for weddings and proposals. To unwind for the afternoon, head to the nearby Hot Sulphur Springs Resort & Spa that has 21 mineral pools of varying size and temperature—farther up the hillside you'll find secluded pools just right for two. Tonight, grab takeout from one of the beloved local eateries in Granby and enjoy it back at your room.







# THE QUIETER SIDE WINTER AND SPRING \*\*

For a quiet escape to a winter wonderland, look no further than spending a few days in Granby. With blue skies, fresh snow, and crisp mountain air, it's easy to see why Granby is ideal for a winter getaway.

MAKE YOUR HEADQUARTERS AT GRANBY RANCH, a quiet residential resort community nestled in the hills outside of town. Rent one of the privately owned homes/cabins or stay at The Inn at SilverCreek, a cozy lodge just minutes from the foot of the ski mountain. Enjoy the resort amenities as you relax and adjust to the altitude—take a soak in the outdoor hot tub, or relax next to the fireplace.

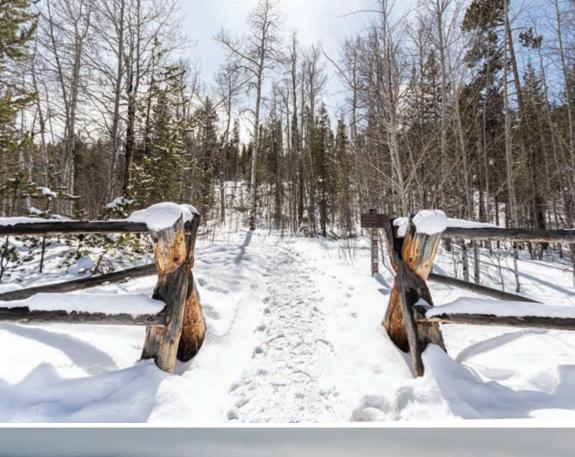
DAY 2 MAKE YOUR WAY TO TOWN FOR BREAKFAST, then pack up your daypack and head outside for a quiet snowshoe adventure. With hundreds

of miles of trails that wind through snow-covered trees and peaceful meadows, you're in for a day of seclusion surrounded by a stunning winter landscape. Complete the day by heading 10 miles west of Granby to the Hot Sulphur Springs Resort & Spa. Here, you'll have the opportunity to soak in dozens of hot springs and even book a relaxing massage. Once you've been pampered and are feeling rejuvenated, head back to Granby and grab some dinner take-out to bring back to your humble abode.

DAY 3 SET AN ALARM (it's a local secret that the kokanee salmon are caught before the sun hits the ice), bundle up,

load your gear, and head out for a morning of ice fishing on Lake Granby, the perfect place to try your hand at this favorite winter sport. On your way to the lake, stop by one of the coffee shops in Granby, ready with perfect grab-n-go options to help get your morning started. Once on the lake, you'll be greeted by a glorious sunrise and endless, serene mountain views. If you're looking to learn, book a fishing trip and let our local guides show you the ropes. When you're ready to warm up, head back into town for a hot meal. Afterwards, stop by Granby's outdoor retail shops for awesome gear, unique gifts, and a chat with the locals before heading back to rest and reminisce about your peaceful yet memorable day.

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# THE QUIETER SIDE SUMMER AND FALL .

When you're looking for a mellow mountain adventure that's away from it all, Granby makes the perfect spot to set as your jumping-off point.

CONSIDER STAYING AT THE GRAND OUTLOOK AT ANTLER BASIN RANCH, a unique private retreat with spectacular views of the surrounding mountains that's also popular for weddings. Made from wood and fully insulated for cozy, private seclusion, you'll find the comforts of a 4 Star hotel and yet you'll be off the grid. After settling in, spend time exploring the surrounding 280 acres of mountain terrain The Grand Outlook sits on, or head toward town and play a round of golf at one of the nearby golf courses.

# DAY 2 AFTER A HEARTY BREAKFAST IN TOWN, SPEND THE DAY EXPLORING ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK. A private

guided tour will ensure you get off the beaten path to some of the less-visited spots in the park or choose to walk some of the mellower trails in the park.

Kauweneeche Trail is a long, flat, and friendly 5.5-mile trail known for big meadows and plenty of moose sightings. Wrap up your day with a leisurely dinner at one of Granby's friendly local watering

holes.

DAY 3

#### HIT THE ROAD FOR A SCENIC DRIVE.

From downtown Granby, head south on Highway

40 and then take beautiful Cottonwood Pass (County Road 55) 10 miles through historic ranch properties and stunning aspen forests—this drive is fantastic in September when the leaves turn. Stop in Hot Sulphur Springs for breakfast, then keep driving

west on the Colorado River Headwaters Scenic Byway. You'll pass through stunning Byers Canyon and beyond, following the Colorado River through rolling ranch country. Continue through Kremmling and onto Highway 1, or "Trough Road," for jaw-dropping vistas views along the Colorado, ending in the funky town of State Bridge before heading back the way you came.

Opposite page: Top image courtesy of The Grand Outlook.







# **HISTORY & CULTURE**

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Sure, it's known as an outdoor adventurer's paradise, but Granby is also a gold mine for lovers of history and culture, too. Explore the past and discover secret stories of this high-country settlement.

# DAY 1 ON A CLEAR MORNING, THE GRAND COUNTY AIRPORT IS BUZZING WITH ACTIVITY. The onsite Emily Warner Field Aviation

Museum is a small but fascinating collection of exhibits honoring local military veterans and airlines as well as aviation pioneer Emily Warner, the first woman captain of a scheduled U.S. airline who called Grand County home for 25 years. Once you've explored the history of the skies, take a stroll around downtown Granby to admire the many vibrant and colorful murals. The murals were created in 2019 as part of a mural festival and since then, other business owners have taken the initiative to have murals painted on their buildings. You'll definitely notice these splashes of color as you walk through town.

### TODAY, YOU'LL HEAD NORTH FOR AN

**ADVENTURE** in Rocky Mountain National Park. Discover the hidden side of the park with a private tour. Learn the hidden history of the area and hear stories few others know while venturing to go off-the-beaten path spots throughout the park. If it's summer, stroll the boardwalks and old shops in Grand Lake and then head to an evening performance at the renowned Rocky Mountain Repertory Theatre. Their theatre program brings Broadway to the Rocky Mountains.

THE COUNTY SEAT OF HOT SULPHUR SPRINGS, just 10 minutes west of Granby, is home to the Pioneer Village Museum, which chronicles the early history and settlement of Grand County. Kids can clamber around an old caboose, visit the old schoolhouse, and inside the museum there are exhibits with Native American history and jewelry as well as detailing early settlers' lives. After a quick lunch in Granby, head to the Moffat Road Railroad Museum. This amazing museum features artifacts from the Moffat Road Railroad, the highest standard gauge railroad ever built in the United States, as well as Colorado's largest Christmas model train display. End the day with dinner at one of Granby's many delicious restaurants.

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# LODGING

From secluded cabins to sweeping guest ranches and everything in between, the Granby area has accommodations to suit your needs. Awake to breathtaking views before you start your day of hiking, fishing, biking, horseback riding, or skiing.

### HOTELS & MOTELS

Rest easy at one of Granby's hotels and motels. Keep it simple with a clean, quaint room or take advantage of amenities like a health club and a pool. Get cozy by the fireplace or stroll downtown for a beer.

### CABINS

Cabins in Granby include year-round rental opportunities, so you can have your own cozy spot whatever the season. Bring your hot chocolate out to the porch for the moonrise or cook up a leisurely brunch as the sun streams through the windows.

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### LODGING - CONTINUED

### GUEST RANCHES

Book your stay at one of Granby's guest ranches and explore Colorado's beautiful scenery on horseback—or just kick back and enjoy some of the finest hospitality in the West. Dress for dinner or tuck into a saddlebag lunch. Ranches in Granby offer an array of options, including hunting, private cabins, ADA accessible options, and more.



After a day on the road, there's nothing like sleeping under the stars at the campgrounds and RV parks in the Granby area. From tents to spots for pop-ups and big rigs, you'll find plenty to choose from.

#### GLAMPING

Want to camp, but want to do it in a more glamorous way? Granby also offers several glamping experiences, ideal for families or for that romantic getaway. Options include yurts, an Autonomous Tent, and even Conestoga wagons.

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# GETTING TO AND AROUND GRANBY

# **HOW TO GET HERE**

If you're looking for a destination with lots of outdoor recreation, wonderful dining options, excellent lodging variety, great weather, and plenty of mountain charm, you'll want to visit Granby! We are located just 85 miles west of Denver, making it an easy destination to reach.



BY CAR: From Denver, it will take about 1 hour and 45 minutes to get to Granby. Take I-70 west to exit 232. US Hwy 40 will take you over Berthoud Pass through Winter Park and eventually all the way to Granby.



**BY AIR:** The nearest airport to Granby is Denver International Airport, just over 2 hours away by car. Granby is also home to the Granby/Grand County Airport, which is a small regional facility that can handle smaller personal aircrafts.



**BY BUS:** Home James Transportation Services offers shuttle services multiple times a day from Denver International Airport to Granby, and even provides private services, picking you up from wherever you are in Colorado. For a cost-effective option, Bustang and Greyhound both offer daily bus service throughout Colorado with stops in Granby.



**BY TRAIN:** Amtrak's California Zephyr runs all the way from Chicago to San Francisco, passing through Granby on the way. It stops at Granby Station five times per week, depending on which direction you are traveling. People say this is one of the most beautiful train trips in all of North America.



**GETTING AROUND TOWN:** The Lift is a local regional bus system that transports people around the area for no cost. It runs from Winter Park to Granby and back several times each day. While downtown Granby is very walkable, you will need a car to visit some of the destinations in and outside of town. Avalanche Car Rentals rents both cars and SUVs. **Note that Uber and Lyft do not operate in Granby, so make sure you have your transportation sorted out before you arrive.** 





# TRAVEL TIPS

Plan your trip to Granby with ease! Check out this essential information, helpful tips, and more.

# KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

The East Troublesome Fire was a historic wildfire in the fall of 2020 that will affect our area for years to come. For current accessibility status of trails, make sure to contact the U.S. Forest Service at (970) 887-4100 or visit www.fs.usda.gov/recmain/arp/recreation.

# MINIMIZE YOUR IMPACT

We all need to do our part to protect our beautiful outdoor places. When recreating outdoors, make sure to:

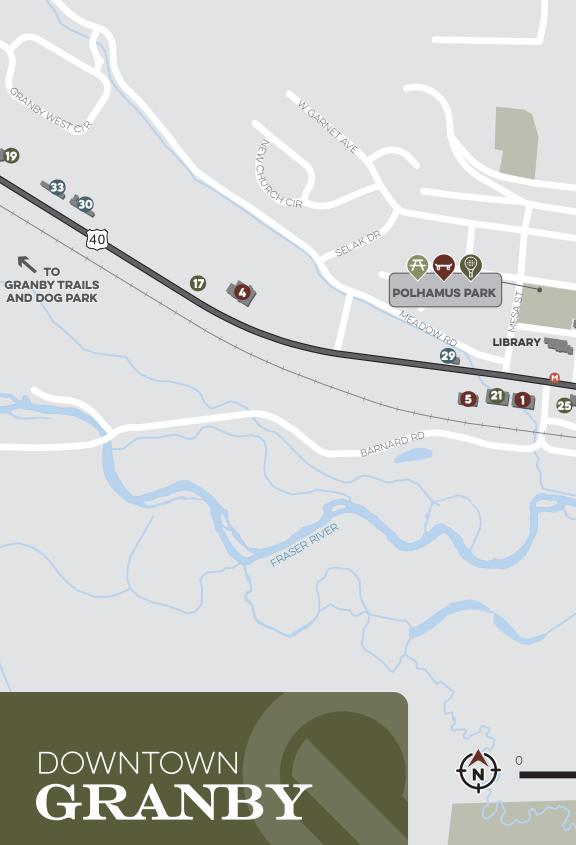
- **Be a responsible trail user.** Hikers yield to horses and bikers yield to hikers and horses. Make sure to yield to those passing you or going uphill.
- Pack it in, pack it out. Make sure to pack out anything that you bring with you, including any leftover food, trash, and litter.
- Respect wildlife. If you encounter wildlife, observe from a distance and do not approach. Also, never feed wild animals and keep dogs on a leash if you spot them.
- **Immediately pick up your dog's waste.** Carry it with you all the way out to a trash receptacle.
- Avoid muddy trails. If you do encounter a patch of mud, hike or bike through it, not around it.

# WEATHER

Granby boasts 250 days of sunshine each year, with 70-degree temperatures in the summer and nearly 200 inches of snow in the winter. Weather conditions can change rapidly here, so always carry extra layers with you. In the winter, make sure to have a warm winter jacket and pants, snow boots with good traction, hats, gloves, and goggles or sunglasses. If you are visiting by car or RV during the snowy months, be sure you're comfortable driving in winter weather conditions.

At an elevation of 7,935 feet above sea level, make sure to be prepared for the higher elevation. Year-round, the sun is much stronger here, so protect yourself by wearing sunscreen, hats, and sunglasses or goggles, even if it's cloudy. Also be aware of altitude sickness. Symptoms include headaches, feeling weak or dizzy, nausea, and trouble sleeping. Make sure to drink lots of water and over-the-counter medications can help with headaches.

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(720) 550-0684 www.arapahovalleyranch.com

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(970) 887-5905 www.clazyu.com

#### **Colorado Cabin Adventures**

(970) 509-0810 www.coloradocabinadventures.com

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(970) 887-3665 www.homesteadgranby.com

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(970) 887-2131 www.silvercreekgranby.com

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(970) 364-0131 www.crestviewlodge.com

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(303) 910-9934

#### **Resort Management Group**

(970) 887-6030 www.winterparklodging.com

#### **River Run RV Resort**

(970) 531-8038 www.riverrunrvresort.com

#### Trail Riders Motel

(970) 887-3738 www.trailridersmotelgranby.com

#### Western Riviera Lakeside Lodging

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#### Winding River Resort

(970) 627-3215 www.windingriverresort.com

#### WorldMark Granby Resort

(970) 887-1800 www.worldmarktheclub.com/resorts/gy

# YMCA of the Rockies - Snow Mountain Ranch

(970) 887-2152 www.snowmountainranch.org

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(970) 557-3155 www.altitudepizza.com

#### **Azteca Mexican Restaurant**

(970) 557-3014

www.restaurantazteca.com

#### Brickhouse 40 Bar & Grill

(970) 887-3505 www.brickhouse40.com

#### Debbie's Drive In

(970) 557-3370

www.debbiesdriveindiner.com

## **Drive By Pie**

(970) 887-1111

www.showboatsdrivebypie.com

## **Fat Cat Cafe**

(970) 887-8987

www.facebook.com/fatcatcafe.gl

#### **Granby Garage Roadhouse**

(970) 557-3351

www.granbygarageroadhouse.com

#### **Granby Ranch Grill**

(970) 887-5200

www.granbyranch.com

#### **Grand Elk Grille**

(970) 887-3518

www.grandelk.com

#### Java Lava

(970) 887-9810

www.javalava.net

#### Kona Ice of Peaks and Valleys

(970) 531-7161

www.konaice.com

#### Maverick's Grille

(970) 887-9000

www.mavericksgrille.com

#### Mid Town Cafe

(970) 557-3123

www.granbycafe.com

#### McDonald's of Granby

(970) 887-3501

www.mcdonalds.com

#### My Cabin Mexican Food

(970) 557-3197

#### **Never Summer Brewing Company**

(970) 887-0333

www.neversummerbrewingco.com

#### **Pearl Dragon Restaurant**

(970) 887-1777

#### **Rocky Mountain Roastery Cafe**

(970) 531-5598

www.rockymountainroasterycafe.com

#### Simple Coffee

(308) 660-8450

www.simplecoffeetabernash.com

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(970) 726-0202

www.subway.com

#### **Truepenny Pitstop**

(908) 500-1241

#### SHOPPING

#### **Aley Bair Home Furnishings**

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www.aleybair.com

#### **Budget Tackle**

(970) 887-9344

budget-tackle.edan.io

#### **City Market Food and Pharmacy**

(970) 887-7140

www.citymarket.com

#### Corner Mall

(970) 531-7204

#### **Country Ace Hardware**

(970) 887-3395 www.granbyace.com

#### Dollar General

(970) 364-2130

#### **Fabric Nook**

(970) 887-2005 www.tinasfabricnook.com

#### **Full Circle Cyclery**

(970) 887-3630 www.facebook.com/fullcirclecyclery

#### **Gambles Store**

(970) 887-3335 www.gamblesgranby.com

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(970) 887-2568

#### **Granby Bait N Tackle**

(970) 557-3023 www.granbybaitntackle.com

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(970) 887-2272

#### **Grand Mountain Trading Company**

(970) 887-3776 www.grand-mountain.com

#### **High Country Cellular & Electronics**

(970) 557-4444 www.highcountrycellular.com

#### K & J Smokeshop

(970) 531-1594 www.kjsmokeshop.com

#### Kirk's Fly Shop Grand Lake

(970) 627-5021 www.kirksflyshopgrandlake.com

#### Kopy Kat Office

(970) 887-3320 www.kopykatgp.com

#### Main Street Thrift

(970) 557-3241

www.mountainfamilycenter.org/ main-street-thrift

#### New 2 U Children's Consignment

(970) 531-1380 Power World, LLC (970) 887-9337 www.powerworldsports.com

#### **R&J Liquors**

(970) 887-2318 randjliquorscolorado.business.site

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(970) 531-0821

#### **Two Pines Supply**

(970) 363-4054 www.twopinessupply.com

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(970) 627-3671 www.beaconlanding.com

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(970) 887-3541 www.highlandmarinallc.com

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(970) 887-3456 www.indianpeaksmarina.com

#### **Trail Ridge Marina**

(970) 627-3586 www.trailridgemarina.com

# **OUTFITTERS & GUIDES**

#### Fishing with Bernie

(970) 531-2318 www.fishingwithbernie.com

#### **Grand Adventure Balloon Tours**

(970) 887-1340 www.grandadventureballoon.com

#### **Grand Adventures**

(970) 726-9247 www.grandadventures.com

#### **High Country Trails**

(970) 887-8991

#### **Jones Pass Guides**

(970) 726-5442 www.jonespassguides.com

#### **Lively Tours and Talks**

(970) 531-1211 www.LivelyToursandTalks.com

#### **MAD Adventures**

(970) 726-5290 www.madadventures.com

#### On the Trail Rentals

(970) 627-0171 www.onthetrailrentals.com

# **RENTALS & REPAIRS**

#### Avalanche Car Rentals, Inc

(970) 887-3908 www.avscars.com

#### **Granby Westside Cycles**

(844) 433-2699 www.granbywestsidecycles.com

#### **Grand County Kayaks**

(970) 531-1576 www.grandkayaks.com

#### Wrangler Tire & Lube

(970) 887-3144 www.wranglertireco.com

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#### **Bluebird Backcountry**

(303) 332-6484 www.bluebirdbackcountry.com

#### **Emily Warner Field Aviation Museum**

(970) 531-1100

www.grandcountyhistory.org

#### Flying Heels Arena Association

www.granbyrodeo.com

#### **Grand Elk Golf Club**

(970) 887-9122 www.grandelk.com

#### **Grand Nordic**

(970) 887-0547 www.grandnordic.org

#### **Granby Ranch**

(888) 850-4615 www.granbyranch.com

#### **High Country Stampede Rodeo**

(970) 449-9040 www.highcountrystampede.com

#### **Hot Sulphur Springs Resort & Spa**

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#### Moffat Road Railroad Museum

(970) 509-9894 www.moffatroadrailroadmuseum.org

#### Pioneer Village Museum

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#### **Rocky Mountain Repertory Theatre**

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