

Carson City Chamber of Commerce Presents:
Trains & Parks of Colorado



June 17th - 25th, 2023

8 nights

With train historian and Colorado enthusiast, Mark Warther, as featured in "Home & Away" Magazine



Travel Colorado with train historian, Mark Warther, on this personally designed adventure featuring amazing trains, breathtaking scenery, fantastic hotels and great food! Mark's life long love of trains and the majestic beauty of Colorado makes this Colorado experience a trip like no other! Mark has been featured in "AAA Home & Away" magazine and PBS television for designing this one of a kind Colorado tour.

Highlights:

Durango & Silverton Scenic RR

Dinner on a canyon rim

Mesa Verde National Park

Cumbres & Toltec Scenic RR

Wine pairing dinner at Wine Country Inn

Colorado National Monument

Georgetown Loop Scenic RR

Air Force Academy

Pikes Peak Cog RR

Two night stays in Historic Hotels:

"Cliff House at Pikes Peak"

"Strater Hotel" in Durango (or similar)

"Wine Country Inn" in Palisade

Price includes:

Fully Escorted Tour, RT Air from Reno, Transfers, Luggage Handling, Sixteen Meals, Photo Book of Tour, Tour Gratuities (including gratuities for Driver, included meals and guides)

For Registration & Detailed Itinerary:

Contact: Carson City Chamber

775-882-1565

\$3795 Per Person Double

Optional Trip Protection Available

\$349 pp double

Day One – Arrive in Denver, The Embassy Suites Hotel

Welcome to Denver, Colorado, the "Mile High City." A welcome reception will be followed by a get-acquainted dinner with your fellow travelers hosted by Mark Warther. ***Dinner Included***

Day Two – Palisade, Co. Two night stay at “Wine Country Inn”

This morning we experience the “Georgetown Loop Railroad”. This railroad connected the thriving mining towns of Georgetown and Silver Plume with horseshoe curves, grades of up to 4%, and four bridges across Clear Creek, including the massive Devil’s Gate High Bridge. Tonight we will experience a winemaker’s dinner at the award winning Wine Country Inn, which is set amid acres of vineyards. ***Breakfast and Dinner included.***

Day Three – Palisade, Co. Wine Country Inn

Today we visit the “Colorado National Monument” where a special evening awaits us, an outdoor sunset dinner served on the rim of the canyon, with the most breath taking views of the west. ***Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner Included***

Day Four –Durango, Co. Two night stay at “Strater Hotel Durango” (or similar)

This morning we depart for the high country. The San Juan Mountains are a rugged mountain range in southwestern Colorado which is home to the “Durango & Silverton Scenic RR”. This railroad has been voted one of the "Top Three Most Exciting Train Journeys in the World" by the Society of American Travel Writers. This amazing train winds through spectacular & breathtaking canyons in the remote wilderness of the two-million acre San Juan National Forest for an unforgettable adventure. ***Breakfast Included***

Day Five – Strater Hotel Durango (or similar)

Today is for Durango. From local history and railroad museums to the ancient cliff dwellings of Mesa Verde National Park, Durango is truly where the old west survived, and the new thrives. Tonights dinner with old western entertainment is at the Bar D Ranch. ***Breakfast and Dinner Included***

Day Six – Alamosa, Co. Fairfield Inn

Today’s adventure includes lunch on the mountain as we chug along America's highest and longest narrow gauge railroad, the “Cumbres & Toltec”. The scenic journey unfolds as soon as the train, pulled by its powerful locomotive, leaves the Chama, Station. In just moments, the gradual climb into the mountains begins and another day of memories is born.

Breakfast and Lunch Included

Day Seven – Colorado springs. Two night stay at the Cliff House

Today we visit the stunning Garden of the Gods, followed by the United States Air Force Academy. Next, we check into the “Cliff House”, an Historic Country Inn at the base of Pikes Peak.

Breakfast and Dinner Included

Day Eight – Colorado Springs. Cliff House

Today is our last great rail experience on board the “Pikes Peak Cog Railroad”. A trip up “America’s Mountain” is certainly a bucket list experience, and you will discover what inspired “Kathryn Lee Bates” to write “America the Beautiful”. The afternoon is yours to enjoy and also shop in Manitou Springs. ***Breakfast & Lunch Included***

Day Nine – Transfers to the airport and enjoy your trip home!

Breakfast Included