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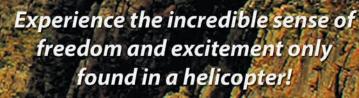
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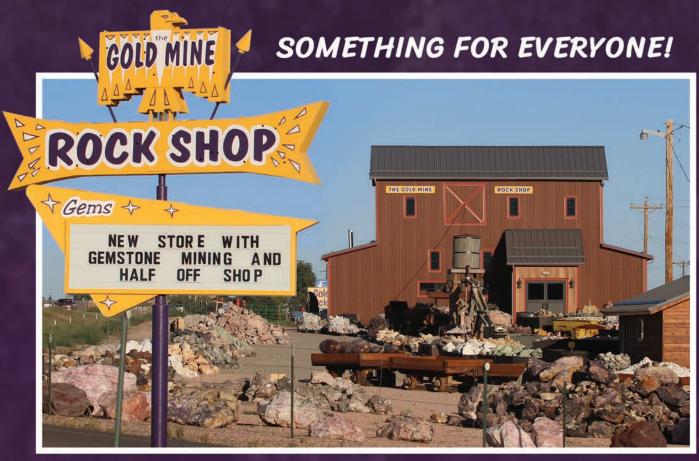
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# EXPLORE THE ROY



### SPRING

Average Temperatures: Highs of 57 - 75 degrees

Average Precipitation: 1 - 1.5"

Local Favorites: Ride, hike, or explore trails at Oil Well Flats and South Canyon Trails

Enjoy local breweries and food trucks

### **SUMMER**

Average Temperatures: Highs of 80 - 95 degrees

Average Precipitation: 1 - 2.25"

#### Local Favorites:

Ride, hike, or explore trails at the Royal Gorge Trails Sit on the lawn or patio at a local brewery, winery, or cidery

Cool off at the Centennial Park splash pad or surf the play waves in the Arkansas River

# ALGORGE REGION

# Off-Season? It's On.

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### FALL

Average Temperatures: Highs of 50 - 80 degrees

Average Precipitation: 0.6 - 1"

#### **Local Favorites:**

Ride, hike, or explore trails at Oil Well Flats and South Canyon Trails

Enjoy local breweries and food trucks

Visit local museums with fewer crowds during the off-season

### WINTER

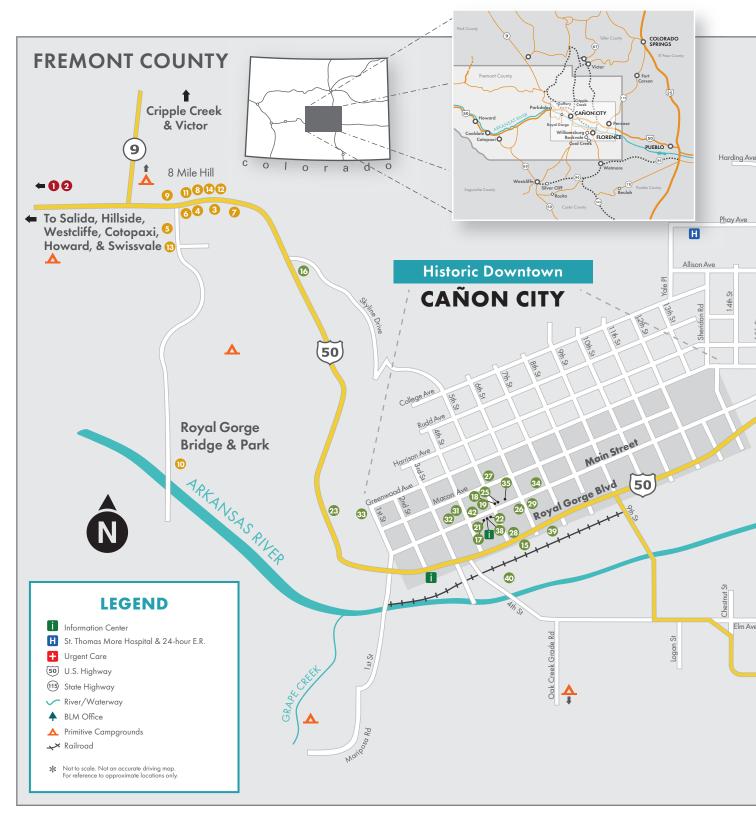
Average Temperatures: Highs of 45 - 55 degrees

Average Precipitation: Snow accumulation of 0.5 - 3"

#### **Local Favorites:**

Ride the Royal Gorge Route Railroad, especially during the holidays

Shop for gifts and antiques in Florence and downtown Cañon City



#### FEATURED WESTERN COMMUNITIES BUSINESSES

- 1. Play Dirty ATV Tours
- 2. Twin Bridges Campground

#### FEATURED 8 MILE HILL BUSINESSES

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# ROYAL GORGE

The Royal Gorge Bridge & Park is one of Colorado's iconic and must-see attractions. Known as America's Bridge located in the heart of the Royal Gorge Region, visitors can walk across one of the world's highest suspension bridges and take in pure Colorado fun and scenery.

Royal Gorge Bridg

Not only can visitors enjoy the breathtaking scenery from above the gorge, they can now climb the steep walls on the Royal Gorge Via Ferrata. This attraction is a protected and safe climbing system on the sheer vertical walls of the Royal Gorge, using trained guides, climbing harnesses with carabiners, steel cables, and iron rungs installed into the rock surfaces. Routes 400-600 feet into the gorge can accommodate beginners to advanced climbers. This is a perfect family outing for an unforgettable experience. The Royal Gorge Via Ferrata is suitable for ages 10 and up. (Extra pay feature, reservations required.)

Other world-class attractions include the aerial gondolas traversing 2,400 feet across the gorge and Tommy Knocker Playland, a children's play area, featuring a beautifully crafted carousel and climbing structures. Kids will enjoy the splash pad, Musket Mine, and sluice box during the summer months.

For the daring, the Royal Gorge Cloudscraper by ZipRider flies guests 1,000 feet over the river, and patrons can experience the World's Scariest Skycoaster sitting on the very edge of the gorge. Both are extra pay features and open mid-March to end of December (weather permitting.)



#### Royal Gorge Bridge & Park | ACTIVITIES



The park, including the Bridge and Visitor Center, is open 365 days a year. The Visitor Center, with its mammoth deck overlooking the gorge, is the perfect place to shop, dine, or just relax and enjoy the surroundings.

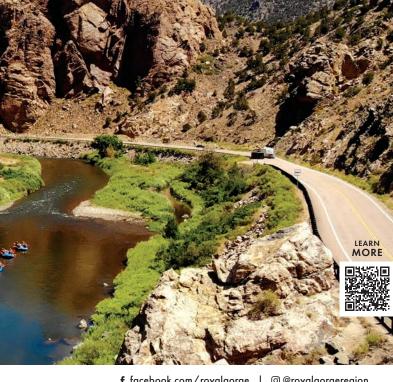
The park has a storied history beginning with the spectacular undertaking of building the Royal Gorge Bridge in 1929, and is the highest suspension bridge in America to date. The bridge survived a wildfire in 2013 and sustained only minimal damage while 90% of the park was destroyed. The rebuild was a spectacular undertaking. Visit the Plaza Theater and Historical Expo for the whole story!

Check the website www.RoyalGorgeBridge.com for more information, make online ticket purchases, or reservations for the Royal Gorge Via Ferrata.



Take a drive, hit play, and learn all about the history, geology, wildlife, and recreation opportunities that abound in Colorado's Bighorn Sheep Canyon.

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#### Whitewater Rafting | ACTIVITIES

From whitewater rafting to cooling off at the park, the Arkansas River offers something for all ages and abilities. Dip your toes in the water or head out with an experienced commercial guide - the options are endless!

### Mild

Upper Bighorn Sheep Canyon is not only home to Gold Medal Fishing waters, but is also a scenic alternative for those who would like a more relaxing trip on the river. With smaller rapids suitable for families and first-time rafters, this section, located in western Fremont County, is a great way to experience the river.



#### WHITEWATER KAYAK AND RECREATION PARK / PLAYWAVE

Bring your surf, paddle, or boogie board and take a spin on the playwaves at Centennial Park! Specially designed static waves allow beginners and advanced boarders to practice, play, and enjoy a day at the river. Nearby playground facilities, restrooms, and a splash pad make for a full day of fun.

#### FISHING -

There are plenty of opportunities throughout the year to fish along the Arkansas' Gold Medal fishing waters. Catch the Caddis hatch in the spring and fly fish in the fall. Learn how by hiring a guide to help you in your search for "the big one".

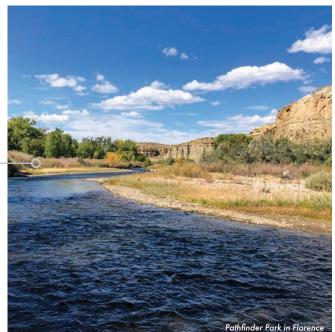


**Water Levels:** Water tends to be higher in the spring and runs low and slow in late summer through winter.



#### CENTENNIAL PARK

When the spring runoff recedes in mid-summer, there's plenty of opportunity to take a dip in the river to cool off. Splash around near the water's edge where it's shallow and calm. Please note that Colorado law requires that all persons under the age of 13 swimming in the Arkansas River within the Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area must wear a properly fitting U.S. Coast Guard approved wearable personal flotation device. You can borrow one from the loaner station at the park, but please return it!



#### ACTIVITIES | Whitewater Rafting

### Medium

#### **BIGHORN SHEEP CANYON**

For fun, splashy whitewater and beautiful views of the mountains surrounding the Royal Gorge Region, head to Bighorn Sheep Canyon. Try to spot one of the namesake animals and splash through rapids on this family-friendly section. Those without experience navigating rapids should not attempt Bighorn Sheep Canyon: trust a commercial guide service in the area.





#### **KEEP IT GORGEOUS**

Be aware of changing water levels and conditions. Always wear a life jacket (personal flotation device) when recreating in the river!



### Wild ROYAL GORGE

If thrills, coupled with some of the most incredible scenery in Colorado, are what you're looking for, there's no better place to be than the Royal Gorge. Experience intermediate and advanced (Class III-V) rapids while floating underneath the famed Royal Gorge Bridge. Towering almost 1,000 feet above your head, the walls of the Gorge offer stunning sights and heart-pumping whitewater. Commercial guide services are the best way to experience these rapids - which should NOT be attempted by amateurs.



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## All-Inclusive Rafting in the Royal Gorge Region

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Selecting the perfect rafting trip is made easy with Raft Masters' helpful suggestions. Consider factors such as the difficulty level, age of participants, physical condition, and trip duration. Additionally, inquire about potential extra costs for photos, wetsuits, and food options, ensuring your experience is tailored to your preferences and requirements.

Rafting season at Raft Masters spans from April to September, offering varying water levels throughout. For the ultimate wave-chasing adventure, late May through June promises the biggest waves and wettest rides. July brings rising temperatures and moderated water levels, creating ideal rafting conditions. August, with warm and dry weather, challenges enthusiasts with lower water levels and technical difficulties. For a more tranquil experience, early and late season trips offer uncrowded and relaxing-paced journeys.

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### Hiking and Biking the Royal Gorge Region

Add some adventure to your visit by heading out on the Royal Gorge Region's trails. From challenging singletrack bike rides to quiet riverside strolls, you'll find something for everyone in the area. Unique geology, wildlife, wildflowers, and stunning views await!

#### **ROYAL GORGE PARK**

The Canyon Rim Trail, Elk Horn Loop, and Point Alta Vista (shown above), offer breathtaking views and are appropriate for varied abilities. Trails range from relatively easy to advanced. The Canyon Rim Trail, including Elk Horn Loop, offers up breathtaking views, but be aware of exposed areas. East Ridge Campground connects to a multitude of trails, including S'Mores – a popular option for young bikers.





#### **ARKANSAS RIVERWALK TRAIL**

The Riverwalk Trail runs through some of the most scenic parts of Cañon City. Along the 7-mile stretch of trail, you'll track the river's course through the city, passing farmland, cottonwood groves, and city parks. The Riverwalk Trail is mostly a flat, maintained trail that is open during all seasons – perfect for families and cruiser bike rides. Don't miss the historic tunnels on Tunnel Drive at the westernmost end of the trail. Tunnels are located 0.25 miles from the trailhead.

#### ACTIVITIES | Hiking & Biking



#### **OIL WELL FLATS**

One of the most popular and extensive trail systems in the area, Oil Well Flats includes 12 miles of singletrack trails. Cruise through high desert as you ascend Unconformity or Fire Canyon toward Island in the Sky for spectacular views of Cañon City and beyond to the Wet Mountains and the Sangre de Cristo range.

#### SOUTH CAÑON TRAILS

From the Eagle Wing Trailhead near the Riverwalk, try Mutton Bustin' for an easy ride or walk. Those looking for a challenge (and inspiring views) can head up Hard Time to The Great Escape. This trail system connects to Cañon City's B.F. Rockafellow Park, commonly known as Ecology Park – a popular hiking destination.



#### **MOUNTAIN BIKE ITINERARY**

#### DAY 1

#### **MORNING:**

- Have a camp breakfast at your campsite at East Ridge Campground
- Drive to the Royal Gorge Trails to enjoy 22+ miles of fun

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

• Head to a restaurant near the Gorge to fuel up with a beverage and a burger

#### DINNER/EVENING:

• Take a leisurely stroll out to Point Alta Vista to watch the sunset

#### DAY 2

#### MORNING:

- Breakfast at a local coffee shop for a breakfast burrito
- Ride from downtown to start your ride at Eagle Wing Trailhead at South Canyon Trails (see joinFAR.org for routes)

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

• Downtown restaurants are open for beverages and delicious food - take advantage!

#### DINNER/EVENING:

 Spend some time checking out local art and murals. Bonus if it's a "First Friday" and plenty of shops are open late

#### DAY 3

#### MORNING:

 Camp breakfast supplemented with coffee from downtown on your way to Oil Well Flats. Enjoy miles of trail and 'top out' at Island in the Sky

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

• On your way back to your campsite, call in a delicious pizza or meatball sub from downtown and take it up

#### **DINNER/EVENING:**

 Relax your legs, and take a short stroll from your campsite to 'Le View' to watch the sun set over the Sangres

#### Hiking & Biking | **ACTIVITIES**

<b>RECREATION TRAILS</b>	Easy Walking	Easy Biking	Amazing Views	Interpretive Markers	Stroller / Wheelchair Access	Water for Playing In	Restrooms	Less than 10 Minute Drive	Historical Significance	Rough Access Road
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For complete maps and directions to trailheads, grab a free copy of FAR's Recreation & Trail Guide, available at the Cañon City Chamber of Commerce or the Royal Gorge Visitor's Center in Veteran's Park. See www.joinFAR.org to download the guide. Check out the Colorado Trail Explorer (COTREX) app for interactive maps of this and other Colorado trails.

#### ACTIVITIES | High Altitude Adventure

### **High Altitude Adventure**

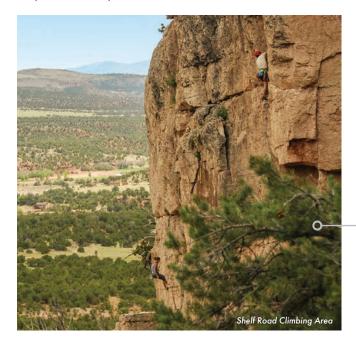
If you're looking for some high-altitude adventure in Colorado, the Royal Gorge Region has a wealth of opportunities. From traversing cliff faces to driving one of America's most incredible scenic roads, there's something for every age and ability level to experience.

#### **ROYAL GORGE VIA FERRATA**

No experience is necessary for this exciting, scenic, and world-class climbing adventure. Your guide will outfit you with all of the gear necessary to descend into the famed Royal Gorge and traverse cliff faces. Choose the adventure length that is right for your group – from 2.5 to 3 hours or 4.5 to 5 hours. Must be 10 years old to participate.

#### ZIPLINE

Whether you'd like to soar across the 1,000-foot Royal Gorge or spend an afternoon zipping around the Royal Gorge hills, the Royal Gorge Region has plenty of options. Zipping over treetops or canyons will leave you with memories to last a lifetime.



#### **SKYLINE DRIVE**

This one-way road, built in 1905 by prison labor, is 2.5 miles long and soars above Cañon City. Take note of dinosaur tracks near the top, and note the archway at the beginning of the road. Pay attention to vehicle and weather restrictions.



#### **POINT ALTA VISTA TRESTLES**

Point Alta Vista scenic viewpoint was a family favorite in the 1980s, allowing visitors to peer into the Royal Gorge from a viewpoint accessed by a miniature train. Now, the trestles are accessible by foot or bike via public trails at the Royal Gorge Trails. See www.joinFAR.org or the COTREX app for more information on trailheads, difficulty level, and distances.

#### **ROCK CLIMBING**

The Royal Gorge Region is no stranger to rock climbing. Boasting one of Colorado's largest sport climbing destinations, Shelf Road, the region is a year-round destination for rock climbers. With a wealth of cliff options at Shelf Road, you will find plenty of sunny or shady climbing areas at most of the climbing sites.

### **ATV/Four-Wheeling**

The Royal Gorge Region has some of the best trails in Colorado for ATV and 4-wheel fun at the Texas Creek Recreation Area.

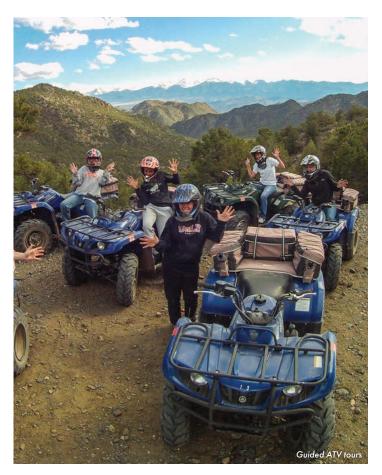
Clearance varies on these routes, and the network links some ATV sections with 4-wheel drive. There are miles and miles of trails and tracks. Among the most popular 4-wheel drive routes are Bull Gulch (606), Fremont County Road 27 (27), Fernleaf Gulch Connector (6020), and Reese Gulch Bypass (6024). Popular with ATVers are East Arkansas River Overlook (6025), Cut Off (6036), and Tucker Trail (6035).

Always consult maps, check weather forecasts in advance, and be aware of the BLM regulations. The Royal Gorge Region also has several guide services – a great idea for novice riders or folks unfamiliar with Rocky Mountain terrain. The BLM/USFS regional office is located at 3028 E. Main Street, Cañon City.



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In Colorado, we stay the trail. Find ATV Trail maps online at COTREX, or at www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/OHV



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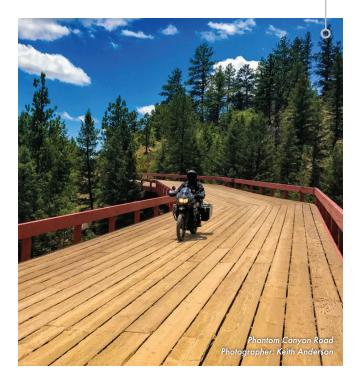
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#### PHANTOM CANYON ROAD

Six miles east of Cañon City on U.S. 50, North on Hwy 67. Follow the route of the Florence & Cripple Creek Railroad.



#### SHELF ROAD

North on Raynolds out of Cañon City from U.S. 50. Right on Field Ave, which later Ys into Red Canyon Road, and later turns into Shelf Road.

Note - Phantom Canyon and Shelf Road should not be taken at night due to hazards.

#### For more information visit:

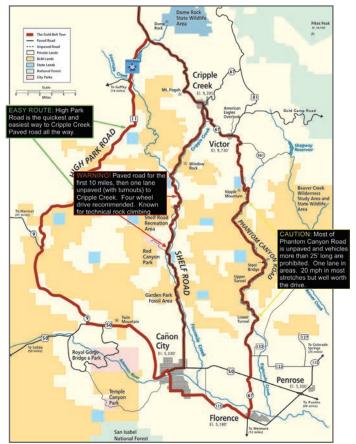
www.RoyalGorgeRegion.com/gold-belt-nationalscenic-byway



#### **HIGH PARK ROAD**

West of Cañon City to CO. 9. North on Hwy 9 for eight miles to High Park Road. East on High Park Road.

All roads lead to historic Cripple Creek and Victor. In its glory days Cripple Creek boasted two opera houses, 75 saloons, 8 newspapers and a stock exchange. Limited-stakes gaming has revitalized the town with casinos, shops and restaurants, while maintaining its heritage. Cripple Creek even has its own donkey herd, descendants of the animals that once worked in the mines. Learn mining history and walk the Vindicator Valley trail in nearby Victor.



### ROYAL GORGE REGION 4- DAY ITINERARIES

**DAY 2** 

MORNING:

or fishing

• River! Take your family rafting

LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

• Visit Dinosaur Experience

DINNER/EVENING:

Rim Trail or:

Country

• Dinner atop 8-Mile Hill

Giant Slide at the KOA Fun

• Royal Gorge Park: Hike Canyon

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#### 🗧 FAMILY FUN ITINERARY

#### DAY 1

#### MORNING:

- Cañon City: Play at Centennial Park
- Watch rafters & kayakers in river
- Stroll/Bike along the Riverwalk Trail

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- Take the train into the Royal Gorge
- Grab an ice cream cone
- Walk along Main Street

#### Check in and rest up at your hotel

- DINNER/EVENING:
- Dinner in Cañon City
- Drive over Skyline Drive
- View dinosaur trackway
- Take a sunset hike in the Hogbacks

### leisure itinerary

#### DAY 1

#### MORNING:

- Visit the Prison Museum
- Self-Guided Heritage Tour of Cañon City

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- Lunch in Cañon City
- Stroll along the Riverwalk Trail
- Check in and rest up at your hotelWine tasting at the Abbey Winery

#### DINNER/EVENING:

• Take the Dinner Train through the Royal Gorge (Saturday only)

#### DAY 2

#### MORNING:

- Breakfast in Cañon City
- Walk along the Tunnel Drive Trail, or:
- Go fishing

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- Lunch atop 8-Mile Hill
- Visit the Royal Gorge Bridge

#### DINNER/EVENING:

- Drive over Skyline Drive
- Check out the dinosaur trackway
- Dinner Main Street in Cañon City

#### DAY 3 MORNING:

• Tunnel Drive: Cruiser bike ride or walk

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- Grab a sack lunch
- Royal Gorge Park: Picnic at the Elk Horn Picnic Area
- Visit the Royal Gorge Bridge

#### DINNER/EVENING:

Dinner in Cañon City
Catch a movie or hang out at a local park

#### DAY 4

#### MORNING:

Zip Line tour

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- Drive to Florence
- Enjoy lunch in downtown Florence
- Shop Main Street and visit Pioneer Park

#### DINNER/EVENING:

- Discover a new Florence eatery for dinner
- Enjoy your trip home; come back soon!

#### DAY 3

#### A DAY IN FLORENCE MORNING:

- Shopping & antiquing Main Street, Florence
- Visit art galleries, too

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- Enjoy a lunch downtown
- Self-guided tour of Florence
- More shopping downtown, or:
- Visit a brewery

DAY 3

MORNING:

• Zip Line tour

in Florence

LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

• Jeep Tour across the region

• Dinner in downtown Florence

• Lunch in Cañon City

**DINNER/EVENING:** 

• Antiquing and shopping

#### DINNER/EVENING:

Dinner in Florence

#### DAY 4 MORNING:

#### Grab a lunch to-go

- Drive along the Scenic Gold Belt
- Byway, Phantom Canyon Road

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- Find a nice picnic spot for lunch
- Make your way back to Cañon City

#### • Wine tasting at the local winery

#### DINNER/EVENING:

- Dinner Main Street, Cañon City
- Stroll along Main Street
- Enjoy your trip home; come back soon!

• Mountain bike tour, or:

LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

• Visit Dinosaur Experience

• Dinner in beautiful historic

downtown Cañon City or

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• Lunch in Cañon City

DINNER/EVENING:

• Enjoy your trip home;

come back soon!

DAY 4

MORNING:

• Try fly-fishing

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### WINTER ITINERARY

#### DAY 1

#### MORNING:

- Cañon City: Picnic breakfast: at the train park and pump track
- Take a few laps around the pump track
- Bike along the Riverwalk Trail

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- Lunch in Cañon City
- Ride the Royal Gorge Route Train
- Enjoy views of the frozen river

#### DINNER/EVENING:

- Dinner Main Street Cañon City
- Grab an ice cream cone
- Stroll along Main Street
- Take a sunset hike in the Hogbacks

#### DAY 2

#### MORNING:

Segway tour

Pick up a lunch to-go for laterRoyal Gorge Park: hike/bike

Canyon Rim Trail, or:

LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

• Eat lunch on the trail or:

Picnic at the Elk Horn Picnic Area

• Dinner in Cañon City or Florence

• Visit the Royal Gorge Bridge

• Try: Skycoaster, Zip Line, or

Via Ferrata Adventure

• Drive over Skyline Drive

View dinosaur trackway

DINNER/EVENING:

# AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE &

#### **RANCH STAYS**

Rhinestone cowboys may be a thing of the past, but spending time at a working ranch is timeless! Imagine waking up to a sunrise over the Sangre de Cristo Mountains and sipping coffee while pulling on those boots to round up wayward cattle or walk amongst the lavender fields grown at nearly 7,000 feet in elevation. Stay with a family-run ranch in Fremont County, which offers a variety of activities and overnight options that will suit your needs no matter how large your mule train may be.



#### **AGRICULTURE ITINERARY**

#### DAY 1

#### MORNING:

• Get in your snuggles and cute animal pets at the petting zoo

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

• Explore the Fremont County Wine Trail where local wineries and cideries offer tastings

#### **DINNER/EVENING:**

• Enjoy dinner at a nearby Florence or Penrose restaurant

#### **DAY 2**

#### MORNING:

 When in season, pick up some local goods at a Royal Gorge Region Farmers Market

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

• Head to a local course in gardening, landscaping, art, and more

#### **DINNER/EVENING:**

 Dine in one of the many Cañon City restaurants that serve locally produced foods

#### DAY 3

#### MORNING:

• During the warmer months, visit a local farm stand or orchard for a rich farmstand experience

#### LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

• In the fall, hit up a pumpkin patch or corn maze

#### DINNER/EVENING:

 Stroll along the Arkansas Riverwalk, accessible from multiple points in Cañon City

#### Farms, Orchards, Vineyards & Cideries | AGRICULTURE

#### **AUTUMN FUN**

The Royal Gorge Region has a long history of growing food for the high-elevation mining communities of yesteryear. You can experience some of the heritage growing traditions of the region by picking apples, finding some locally-grown herbs and vegetables, or sipping cider grown from local fruits. In the fall, find your way out of a corn maze and roast marshmallows on a community campfire.





#### WINTER WINE, CIDER, AND BEER

Head to one of the many wineries or cideries in Fremont County. From award-winning beverages to lovely, scenic tasting areas, you'll find something to keep you warm during fall and winter days. Take home a bottle or growler and savor a taste of Colorado after you've headed home! See the tour map on page 31 for more information.



#### AGRICULTURE | Winery at Holy Cross Abbey



#### LOCAL TIPS FOR A PERFECT VISIT ANY DAY OF THE YEAR

The Winery at Holy Cross Abbey has been producing wine for over 20 years and is the flagship winery in the region's growing wine scene. Housed on the grounds of the historic Holy Cross Abbey, the winery's tasting room offers flights of its award-winning wines, gourmet charcuterie items, and a first-class shopping experience.

Experience the best of what the Winery at Holy Cross Abbey has to offer by following these local tips.

#### PACK A PICNIC

Pack a picnic, buy a bottle of wine, and enjoy the pastoral and serene grounds of historic Holy Cross Abbey. With a tree-shaded park, picnic tables, and the Wet Mountains as a backdrop, the memory of this picnic will last forever.

#### **AVOID SUMMER CROWDS**

With the Royal Gorge Region's mild climate, outdoor tastings are wonderfully comfortable during the fall and spring. Better yet, these months draw fewer crowds than the summer season.



#### DON'T MISS THE ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL

Wine, artisans, food, and entertainment come together the last weekend of September at the annual Harvest Festival—a local favorite!

#### GET COZY IN THE WINTER

As temperatures dip, stay warm by the Winery at Holy Cross's outdoor heaters. Order a sample of award-winning wines in a relaxing and cozy atmosphere.

#### **BE A VIP**

Book a VIP tasting, which includes a private host and a sampling of all wines. Enjoy selected artisan cheeses and assorted charcuterie that best accompany each wine.



#### JOIN THE CONGREGATION WINE CLUB

This exclusive club is so much more than just a T-shirt purchase. It's access to deals, products, and other VIP experiences.

#### **BOOK A PACKAGE DEAL**

Raft Masters, Echo Canyon Campground, and Colorado Jeep Tours offer packages that include a tasting at the Winery at Holy Cross Abbey. Spend your day on a grand adventure and then relax afterward with a glass of wine.

#### **BUY FROM HOME**

The Winery at Holy Cross Abbey ships its wines across the continental US. So even if you're not in Colorado, you can still enjoy your favorite Abbey wine.

Learn more about the Winery at Holy Cross Abbey, winery events, and current specials at AbbeyWinery.com.

#### WINERY AT HOLY CROSS ABBEY HOURS:

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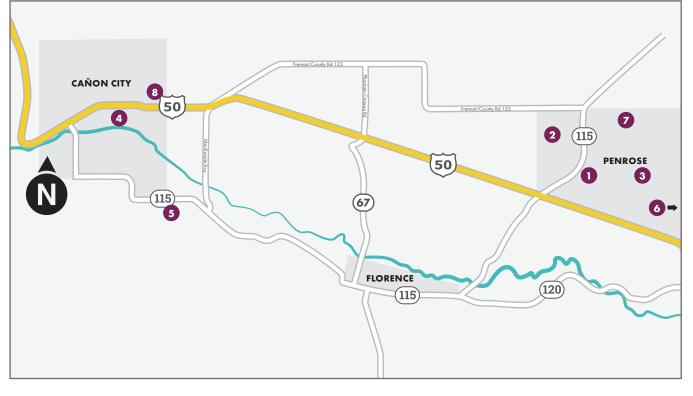
### Wine & Cider Tour

Stop by any of our award-winning cideries and wineries. Start your journey at the Winery at Holy Cross Abbey, which has been winning awards since 2002 and whose tasting room has become one of the most successful in the state.

In nearby Penrose, visit heritage orchards, where cideries use local produce to create delicious ciders. Enjoy your beverage any time of year, especially after an adventurous day on the river or trails.







- 1 Apple Valley Cider Co. 103 Broadway, Unit 13, Penrose
- 2 Brush Hollow Winery 465 D Street, Penrose
- 3 C Squared Ciders 910 L Street, Penrose
- 4 Cañon City Trolley 719-445-8300, www.RoyalGorge.Info
- 5 Legatum Cellars 1704 Willow St, Cañon City
- 6 Pop's Vineyard 1940 13th Street, Penrose
- 7 Western Skies Winery 448 K Street, Penrose
- 8 The Winery at Holy Cross Abbey 3011 E. US Highway 50, Cañon City



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# **DINOSAUR & FOSSIL FINDS**

View prehistoric tracks, walk discovery trails, and search for fossils (never disturb or remove fossils). Visit the Royal Gorge Regional History Museum to see an outstanding display of fossils, dinosaur bones, and a complete Stegosaurus replica skeleton displayed as it was found in the ground in 1992.



## **INDIAN SPRINGS TRACE FOSSIL SITE**

This privately-owned Thorson Family Ranch is designated by the National Park Service as a National Natural Landmark. It is nationally recognized as having Ordovician Period (485 to 443 million years ago) trace fossils found there. To arrange a private tour, visit www.IndianSpringsRanchCampground.com



#### Keep it Gorgeous

Please leave fossils and other artifacts for others to enjoy. Remember to take only photos and leave only footprints!

These tracks on Skyline Drive were made by dinosaurs walking along the seaway 107 million years ago

# **ROYAL GORGE DINOSAUR EXPERIENCE**

The Royal Gorge Dinosaur Experience provides an affordable, dynamic, and high-value educational opportunity for people of all ages. The state-of-the-art, 16,200 square-foot building houses a world-class collection of interactive displays, full-scale dinosaur fossil casts, and real dinosaur fossils. Entertaining guided tours of our exhibit halls and outdoor skinned animatronic dinosaur exhibits and a multi-story ropes course ensure a fine balance between science, learning, and good old-fashioned family fun. Visit www.DinoXP.com for more info.

### **GARDEN PARK FOSSIL AREA**

Garden Park Fossil Area, located just north of Cañon City on Red Canyon Road, is a 2,700 acre-area that has produced significant dinosaur fossils for over 140 years. Some of the Jurassic fossils from this area are now at the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History and the Peabody Museum at Yale University. Three stegosaurus skeletons, including Colorado's state fossil, were excavated here. It now features interpretive markers and trails.

www.RoyalGorgeRegion.com/dinosaurs-and-more-at-garden-park



# Fishing, Wildlife & Bird Watching

The Royal Gorge Region and its lands are home to an amazing variety of wildlife viewing opportunities. Keep your eyes open for **deer, bighorn sheep, pronghorn antelope, elk, bear, eagles,** and other birds of prey.

Grab your binoculars and a field guide for some of the best bird watching in Colorado. Bird watchers will want to check out the large blue heron populations along County Road 69 and also along the Arkansas River. Buntings, Eagles, Kittiwakes, Goshawk, Kestrel, Woodpeckers, and Yellowthroat are also common in the region.

**Arkansas Riverwalk Trail** follows the Arkansas River for more than seven miles, winding through wetlands, groves of cottonwoods, and the parks. An early morning or evening stroll along the Riverwalk Trail provides great opportunities for bird watching and wildlife spotting.



# **GOLD MEDAL FLY FISHING**

The **Arkansas River** is the longest Gold Medal River in North America and attracts anglers from all over the world. With some of the highest trout densities of any freshwater watershed in the world, anglers can expect to see trophy-sized **Brown Trout**, **Rainbow Trout**, and even the occasional **Cutthroat**. The Arkansas River is also known as a renowned dry fly fishery with large hatches from March through October.

The Arkansas River and surrounding drainages are year-round fisheries, however, anglers begin to flock to this area during the famed **Caddis Hatch** which begins the first week of April. This hatch begins in Cañon City and moves to the headwater near Leadville over the course of several months. However, July through September can offer some of the best productivity of the year with heavy hatches and overall favorable conditions to wade or float the river.

**Autumn on the Arkansas:** Fly fishing in the fall brings a wealth of beauty and solace. Find a secluded spot along the river while the cottonwood trees change colors in September and October.





## **RIVER RECREATION**

Rafts and kayaks of every size float the beautiful **Arkansas River** from spring through summer and even into early fall. Some anglers fish from rafts and enjoy a thrilling ride through the rapids from Texas Creek to Parkdale and even through the gorge! A recreational raft trip is a good way to enjoy the river when the flows may be too swift for quality fishing. Check with local outfitters for guided fishing or rafting trips on the Arkansas River. First-time visitors are immediately struck by the mild climate and the breathtaking natural beauty of the Royal Gorge Region, but often, it's the rich artistic expression and cultural diversity that brings people back.



## **MUSEUM OF COLORADO PRISONS**

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This unique museum is located next door to the historic Colorado Territorial Correctional Facility, the oldest prison west of the Mississippi, opened in 1871. The museum is housed in the former Women's Correctional Facility and contains 30-plus cells, now converted into exhibits that give visitors a glimpse into the life of former inmates. From confiscated contraband to inmate arts and crafts, peruse the many artifacts and records. An audio tour and self-guided booklets are available in four languages. The museum is open during the summer, Monday through Sunday, 10 am - 6 pm, and during the winter, Wednesday through Sunday, 10 am - 5 pm.

# THE FREMONT CENTER FOR THE ARTS

This public art gallery was founded in 1947 and is housed in the city's former post office building. Recently renovated and now offering a wealth of events and classes, FCA is the heart of the historic downtown area. Stop in to view the most recent exhibit, which often includes dozens of local artists and opportunities, and to see FCA's stunning building and permanent collection.

## **BELL TOWER CULTURAL CENTER**

Stop in for a wide array of events throughout the year, including a monthly jazz series, monthly art exhibits, and classes for all ages. Space is available for weddings and meetings. Find more information at florenceartscouncil.com, via Facebook, or at 719-784-2038.



### Museums, Public Arts | ARTS & CULTURE

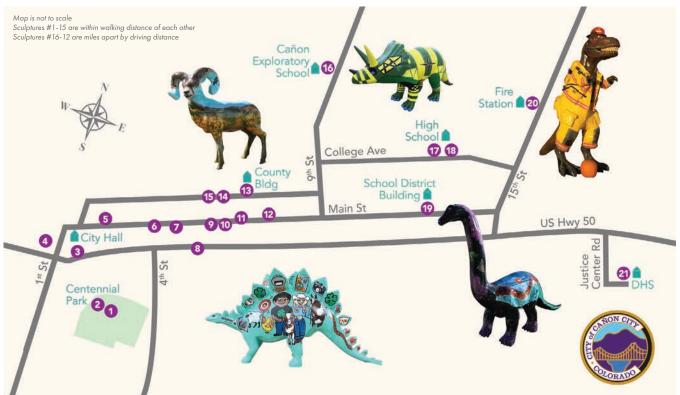
## THE ROYAL GORGE REGIONAL MUSEUM & HISTORY CENTER

The premier research facility for local historians, the museum is conveniently located just off Highway 50 and is free to visit. Find the museum at 612 Royal Gorge Blvd and stop in to view several exhibits, including galleries showcasing locally-found fossils, local artists, and rotating exhibits. View founding citizen Anson Rudd's family home, built in the 1860s, as part of your tour. Open Wednesdays through Saturdays from 10 am to 4 pm. Visit museum.canoncity.org or call 719-269-9036.

# **PUBLIC ART**

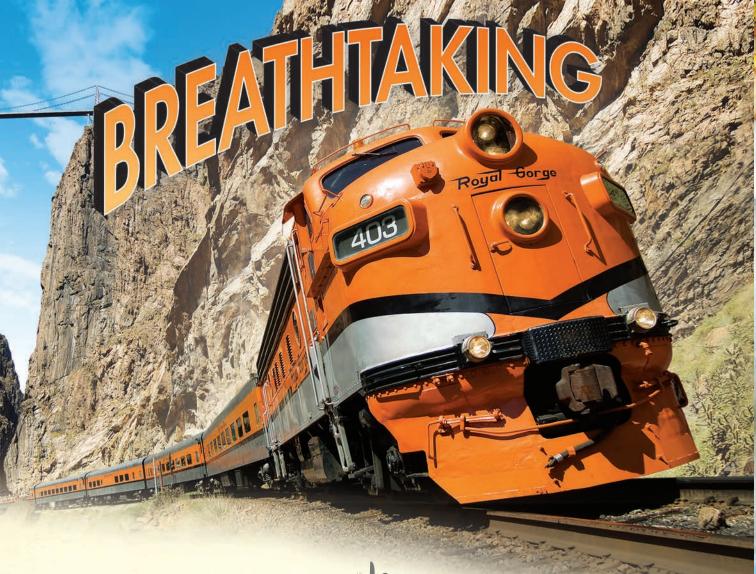
Once the site of the historic Bone Wars, where paleontologists raced to unearth fossils and dinosaur bones, the Royal Gorge Region is now host to a public art exhibit, where visitors and locals will discover 21 painted dinosaur sculptures throughout the community.





- 1 Brachiosaurus: Fremont Regional Hospice (Centennial Park)
- 2 Brachiosaurus: Royal Gorge Dinosaur Experience (Centennial Park)
- 3 T-Rex: StarPoint Children's Services (City Hall off Hwy 50)
- 4 Bighorn Sheep: Lt. Christine Turner Colorado Territorial Correctional Facility (1st & Hwy 50)
- 5 T-Rex: Colorado Territorial Correctional Facility (2nd & Main Street)
- 6 Triceratops: The Bridge Youth Center (3rd & Main Street)
- 7 Stegosaurus: Michelle Taylor (4th & Main Street)
- 8 Rebbachisaurus: FAR Adventure Kids (5th & Hwy 50)
- 9 Bighorn Sheep: Mountain View Core Knowledge School (5th & Main St)
- 10 Bighorn Sheep: Jessica Evans Healthtrac (5th & Main St)

- 11 Stegosaurus: Boys & Girls Club of Fremont County (6th & Main St)
- 12 Bighorn Sheep: Michelle Taylor (7th & Main St)
- 13 Stegosaurus: 4-H Club of Fremont County (615 Macon Ave)
- 14 Triceratops: Deidra Wilda (505 Macon Ave)
- 15 Stegosaurus: Fremont County Stones 'n' Bones (505 Macon Ave)
- 16 Triceratops: Canon Exploratory School (2855 N 9th St)
- 17 Brachiosaurus: Canon City High School (1313 College Ave)
- **18 Stegosaurus:** Canon City High School (1313 College Ave)
- 19 Stegosaurus: Lincoln School of Science & Technology (101 N 14th St)
- 20 T-Rex: Canon City Fire District (1475 15th St)
- 21 Brachiosaurus: Fremont County Department of Human Services (172 Justice Center Road)







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## Spring 2024 | ccblossomfestival.com

Nothing says authentic America quite like a parade with fire trucks, horseback riders, floats, Shriners on scooters and music-music! The celebration will once again include high school and middle school marching bands from across the country competing before thousands of onlookers. The festival also boasts an arts and crafts fair, food vendors, 5k and half marathon foot races, a rodeo and much more!





# FLORENCE PIONEER DAYS

# Fall 2024 | facebook.com/florencepioneerdays

Florence celebrates its Pioneer Days in September with a lively parade that features a salute to the town's founders. Food, games, a tractor pull, street dance, Junktique sale and arts and crafts fair are a few highlights of the three-day event.



## Fall 2024 | penrosechamber.org/apple-day

Grab a bite to eat at the Fire Department's Pancake Breakfast. Peruse the Library's annual sale. Run in Penrose Elementary's 5k. Cheer on the parade floats. Pick apples in one of the local orchards.

Just be sure to grab a slice of apple pie and stay until the fireworks are over. You will be "cut to the core" if you miss it!





# **ROYAL GORGE** WHITEWATER FESTIVAL

Summer 2024 | royalgorgewhitewaterfestival.com

July is wet and wild in the Royal Gorge Region during the annual Royal Gorge Whitewater Festival. Adventure seekers and whitewater enthusiasts gather on the Arkansas in and near Cañon City for two days of kayak and raft races, paddle board sprints, live music, demonstrations, crafts, food vendors, kids' activities, and much more!





# HARVEST FESTIVAL **ON WINERY GROUNDS**

## Fall 2024 | abbeywinery.com/event/annual-harvest-festival

Wine, artisans, food and entertainment come together the last weekend of September at the annual Harvest Festival on the grounds at the Winery at Holy Cross Abbey. The fruit of the vine is celebrated, as well as tasty morsels, fine arts and crafts and live music.





# CAÑON CITY CHRISTMAS **PARADE OF LIGHTS**

## Winter 2024 royalgorgechamberalliance.org/rgca-signature-events

Bring the whole family to the Royal Gorge Region for the holidays. Shop downtown, ride the Christmas train, and watch a hometown holiday parade held on the first Saturday of December.



St. Thomas More Hospital

# If you or a loved one are injured, not feeling well, or facing a potential medical emergency, it can be hard to know what you need.

St. Thomas More Hospital's Emergency Room and Urgent Care Center can help with any medical situation you're facing. Use this helpful guide to determine if Emergency services or a visit to Urgent Care would be best.

If symptoms are sudden, serious and/or life-threatening, visit the St. Thomas More Emergency Room.

For injuries or illnesses that require attention but do not suggest an immediate threat to your health or life, visit our Urgent Care center in Cañon City.

# **Emergency Care Examples:**

## Urgent Care Examples:

Severe Abdominal PainInsect Bites or StingsBroken or Dislocated BonesPoison Ivy/Other RashChest Pain or PressureMinor BurnsDizziness or Loss of ConsciousnessSprains or StrainsHead InjuriesSunburnsMajor BurnsCough, Cold, or Sore ThroatSevere Vomiting or DehydrationSimple Cuts, Bruises or Abrasions



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For issues that need medical attention, but do not pose an immediate threat to life or limb, our Urgent Care center is open 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily.

# St. Thomas More Hospital

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**DOWNTOWN CAÑON CITY** | Restaurants, Shopping, Historic Buildings

# Discover Downtown Cañon City

Visit downtown Cañon City for a veritable treasure trove of shops, restaurants, architecture, and attractions situated in buildings on the National Historic Register.

# SHOP AND EAT

Spend the day shopping for soul-stirring books, new and consigned boutique clothing and shoes, smithed and handmade jewelry, handcrafted furniture, locally-crafted goods, soaps and lotions, special gifts, and prized antique finds. Linger over coffee and pastries or indulge in authentic international cuisine.



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# PARKS

Just a few blocks from Main Street, visit Veterans Park, or cross the pedestrian bridge over the Arkansas River to visit Centennial Park, Cañon City's adventure hub. Enjoy the whitewater park, access to trails, a splash pad, and pickleball or tennis courts.

# **ART AND GALLERIES**

Peruse galleries along Main Street, many of which feature local southern Colorado artists and artisans. Stroll public art displays, scattered murals, and view intriguing sculpted works, including the painted dinosaurs.

# Directory | CAÑON CITY

#### **ANTIQUES, SHOPPING & ART**

The Artist's Gallery 416 Main Street, Cañon City 719-345-4070 facebook.com/theartistsgallery The Artists' Gallery showcases fine art, jewelry, pottery, cards and gifts by 50 local artists.

#### Aspen Meadows Handcrafted Soaps

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#### **Autumn's Attic**

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#### Cheryl's Book Nook

404 Main Street, Cañon City 719-275-4964 A used paperback/hardback exchange store.

#### Kaleidoscope Inspiration

602 Main Street, Cañon City 719-431-3461 kaleidoscope-inspiration.com A collaborative boutique as unique as you, featuring local artisans with something for everyone.

#### Mrs. B's Clock Tower Antiques 305 Main Street, Cañon City 719-276-9020

This darling antique store located in one of the oldest buildings on Main Street has much to see.

#### COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### Flash Back on Main

Main Street, Cañon City fremontcommunityfoundation.org Don't miss this FREE street dance with classic cars, food and fun.

#### Royal Gorge Whitewater Festival

Centennial Park, Cañon City royalgorgewhitewaterfestival.com Whitewater competitions and landbased recreation events.

#### TOWNS/CHAMBERS

Royal Gorge Chamber Alliance 424 Main Street, Canon City 1-800-876-7922 canoncity.com

#### DINING

Anneliese German Restaurant 512 Royal Gorge Blvd, Cañon City 719-345-4033

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#### City on a Hill Coffee & Roastery

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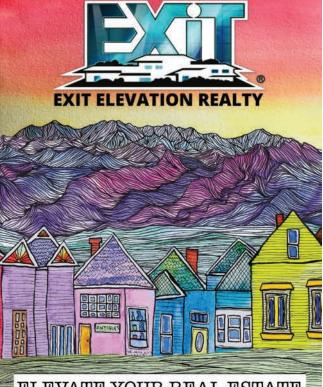
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#### The Artist's Gallery

The Artists' Gallery showcases fine art, jewelry, pottery, cards and gifts by 50 local artists.

416 Main St, Cañon City, 719-345-4070 www.facebook.com/theartistsgallery



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501 Main St, Cañon City, 719-276-0311 www.AspenMeadowsSoaps.com



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431 Main St., Cañon City, 719-429-7900 www.AutumnsAtticCanonCity.com



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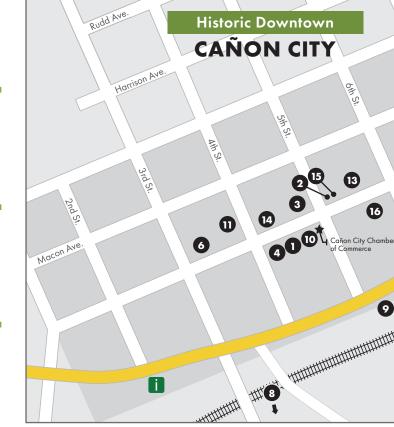
www.Kaleidoscope-Inspiration.com



# Mrs. B's Clock Tower Antiques

This darling antique store located in one of the oldest buildings on Main Street has much to see.

305 Main Street, Cañon City 719-276-9020





#### Flash Back on Main

Don't miss this FREE street dance with classic cars, food and fun. Main Street Downtown Cañon City.

Main Street, Cañon City www.FremontCommunityFoundation.org





#### **Anneliese German Restaurant**

Enjoy authentic German cuisine with upscaled ambience near the heart of the city! Reservations available, walk-ins welcome.

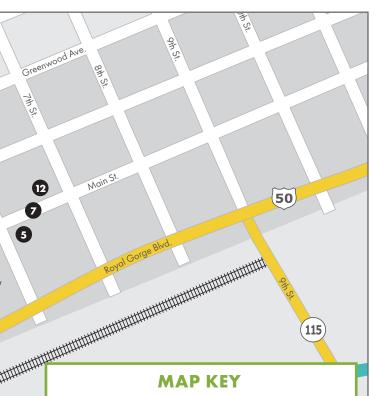
512 Royal Gorge Blvd, Cañon City, 719-345-4033 www.anneliesegermanrestaurant.com



# City on a Hill Coffee & Roastery

Quaint Coffee shop located downtown Main Street. Offering Donuts, Pastries, Goodies, Coffee & Tea. Free WIFI

420 Main Street, Cañon City 719-966-1671, www.cityonahillcoffee.com



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#### **McClure's Saloon**

Charming bar located in the heart of Cañon City

117 N 4th Street, Cañon City 719-275-5029





**My Brother's Place** Proudly serving Fremont County for 40 Years! Voted Readers Choice Best Bar 6 Years.

625 Main Street, Cañon City 719-275-0733



# Pizza Madness

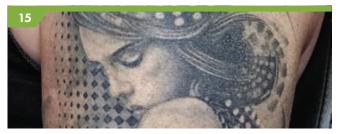
Voted #1 Pizza in Royal Gorge Country. Pizza, salads, sandwiches, spaghetti, video games. Fun Family Atmosphere.

509 Main Street, Cañon City 719-276-3088, www.MyPizzaMadness.com



# World's End Brewing Company Beers brewed on-site, full lunch/dinner menu and a full bar with all your favorites, as well as a line of locally made hard ciders.

401 Main Street, Cañon City, 719-315-2663 www.WorldsEndBrewingCo.com





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520 Main Street, Cañon City, 719-275-8622 www.exitelevationrealty.com

Less than an hour southwest of Colorado Springs, Florence is the Antique Capital of Colorado and a lively destination for art galleries, specialty shops, and restaurants!



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Bring your friends and spend the day exploring and work up an appetite! We have many dining options to choose from. Fresh sandwiches and pastry, gourmet coffee drinks, a hearty breakfast or a hand-dipped ice cream cone. Maybe a hand made pizza or sushi and cocktails, a full steak dinner, Chinese or smokey BBQ. Or just grab a burger and fries and catch the game at one of our local bars. And don't miss the best locally brewed craft beer in Southern Colorado right here in Florence!







Visit our website at **www.FinditinFlorence.com** for complete listings of our downtown businesses and a calender of special events. Or call **719.784.3544** for more information

# Directory | FLORENCE

#### **ANTIQUES & SHOPPING**

#### Antique Warehouse

124 E Main Street, Florence 719-372-1016 mvh876@gmail.com Vintage Lighting & Western Accoutrements.

#### Barn & Barrel

105 W Main Street, Florence 719-784-1172 www.BarnAndBarrelFlorence.com Offering a Sip 'N Shop experience! Shop antiques, apparel, and art while sipping Colorado wines, beer and cider!

#### **Blue Spruce Art & Antiques**

205 W Main Street, Florence 719-784-1339 bluespruceart.com Cooperative art gallery featuring the work of 30 artists, mixed with antiques from four dealers.

#### **Florence Flipping Peddler**

117 S. Petroleum Avenue, Florence 719-799-0982

www.FlorenceFlippingPeddler.com With a vendor market, it is a wide variety of items new and used and everything in between.

#### **EVENTS**

#### Florence Merchants Car Show Main Street, Florence

www.FlorenceColoradoCarShow.com The Annual Florence Merchants Car Show is a relaxed, noncompetitive showing of classic cars, fun family friendly events, and great food.

#### DINING

Aspen Leaf Bakery & Café 113 W. Main Street, Florence 719-784-3834

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#### **Quincy's Tavern**

121 W Main Street, Florence 719-784-1913 quincystavern.com \$2.25 Well Drinks, \$3.75 Margaritas. Open for Dinner.





#### LODGING

Red Rosebud Bed & Breakfast 1305 W 3rd Street, Florence 720-588-6549 www.redrosebudbnb.com A Relaxing, Victorian Style Stay with Some Modern Magic Dusting. Come Make Memories with Us!

#### SERVICES

#### The Bell Tower Cultural Center, Florence Arts Council 201 E 2nd Street, Florence

719-784-2038 florenceartscouncil.com Artist studios, classes of all ages, concerts and art exhibits. Available for weddings and events.

#### TOWNS/CHAMBERS

Florence Chamber of Commerce 116 N Pikes Peak Ave, Florence Office: 719-784-3544 finditinflorence.com

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### VISIT THE WEBSITE www.FlorenceColoradoCarShow.com

EMAIL FOR MORE INFORMATION info@FlorenceColoradoCarShow.com



# FLORENCE | Antique Capital of Colorado





Antique Warehouse Vintage Lighting and Western Accoutrements. Summer hours: 10-5, seven days a week Winter hours: 11-5, seven days a week

124 E Main Street, Florence 719-621-3301, mvh876@gmail.com





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#### **Bell Tower Cultural Center**

Your go-to spot for art exhibits, classes, concerts and more. Beautiful gardens and public sculpture.

201 E 2nd Street, Florence, 719-784-2038 www.FlorenceArtsCouncil.com



#### John C. Fremont Library We welcome the Community To: Be Involved, Invest in Your Future and Embark on Your Dreams

130 Church Avenue, Florence www.jcfld.org

#### **Pioneer Museum**

To collect, preserve and interpret the rich historical heritage of Florence Colorado.

100 E Front Street, Florence 719-784-4800 www.FlorencePioneerMuseum.org







# Local Information | Business Support Tourism | Relocation

116 N. Pikes Peak Ave. Florence, CO 81226

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# Pueblo, Colorado

# **GREENHORN MOUNTAIN**

Pueblo is your home base to your next Colorado adventure. Just southwest of Pueblo, you can find the hidden gem of Greenhorn Mountain. Reaching the top of the North Peak takes about an hour and once you reach the summit you will find breathtaking views of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains to your west and Pikes Peak to your north. Visit Pueblo and add this amazing view to your Colorado bucket list!

# **RIVERWALK**

In the heart of downtown Pueblo, you will find the Historic Arkansas Riverwalk. Stroll the 1 mile long channel and explore over 54 art pieces, take a boat ride, eat and drink like a local or shop historic Union Ave for a unique treasure. The Pueblo Riverwalk is the perfect destination for family and pooch friendly fun or romantic alone time with a special someone.

# **PUEBLO CHILE**

True foodie's want to be in the know of all things unique and tasty. Pueblo Green chile is only grown in the rich soil of the Arkansas River Valley in Pueblo County, and Puebloans eat it on everything! Pueblo's signature dish, The Slopper, is an open-faced cheeseburger smothered in Pueblo green chili sauce. Featured on Food Network and Major League Eating, this is MUST TRY as you eat your way through Southern Colorado!

# **NEON ALLEY**

Are you looking to boost your Social Media status, or just looking for your next note worthy selfie? Known as the "Greatest Collection of Neon Signs in a one-block area east of the Las Vegas Strip and west of Times Square", Pueblo's Neon Alley offers that one-of-a-kind backdrop. Not for your average junk yard cat, this Alley is one part eclectic (and electric!) museum and one part public arts project.

# **AVIATION MUSEUM**

Known as the Home of Heroes, Pueblo, CO is also home to one of the largest aviation museums in the state. The Pueblo Weisbrod Aircraft Museum spans over 85,000 square feet and nearly a hundred years of military and aviation history, boosting military uniforms, personal effects, weapons, and other artifacts from all branches of the U.S. military, including allies and enemies! Explore and appreciate military history in Pueblo!

# **RIVER SURFING**

Pueblo, Colorado has one of the best whitewater parks in the state for river surfing. As summer snowmelt runs down the Rockies to Pueblo, it starts to flood the Arkansas River with activity. The area has lured kayakers, boaters, water-skiers and surfers alike! Located in the heart of downtown, It's no wonder Pueblo is quickly turning into Colorado's top surfing destination.

www.VisitPueblo.org





# Visit Wet Mountain Valley

# COME FOR THE MOUNTAINS

Consider yourself invited to our quaint mountain towns, majestic national forests and breathtaking wilderness areas. Climb our mountain peaks, hike our trails with vistas as far as the eyes can see and cast your line across one of our pristine mountain lakes and streams in the Sangre de Cristo mountains.

# FRONTIER PATHWAYS SCENIC BYWAY

Snowcapped mountains, jagged canyons, carpeted meadows and aspen-covered hillsides make this a stunning, scenic drive in Colorado. The 103-mile Frontier Pathways Scenic Byway runs from Westcliffe to Pueblo, with a second branch to Colorado City. Take a drive on CO-165 through the Wet Mountains to visit Bishop Castle, a quirky structure built entirely by one man, and Lake Isabel, a favored vacation destination.

# THE ARTS ABOUND

An arts-centered destination filled with talented and vibrant people in our art galleries and small shops. Main Street is a hub for the valley's visual and creative arts. Explore the local arts anytime you are in town or visit during the Second Saturday Art Walk, a great way to see local artworks and meet the artists.

# **GRAVEL GRINDING**

The best-kept cycling secret is the wonderful opportunities for "gravel grinding" right here in Custer County with over 350 miles of road with most of it being gravel. Uncrowded and unspoiled, there are route options for all riding levels to explore the area on two wheels.

# **STAY FOR THE STARS**

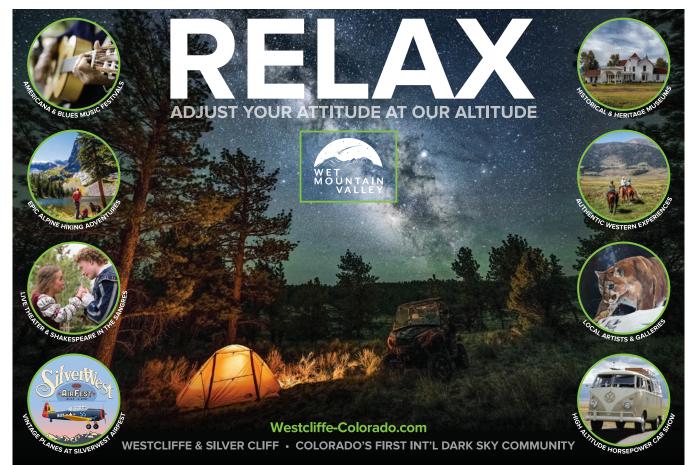
The Wet Mountain Valley is known for sweeping mountain vistas with big open skies, but it's the incredible night sky that makes an overnight stay a must for a world-class stargazing experience. The towns of Westcliffe and Silver Cliff were certified by the International Dark Sky Association as Colorado's First Dark Sky Community in 2015. The Smokey Jack Observatory offers public and private star sessions from May through September.

# **RELAX AND BE COOL**

Consider the Wet Mountain Valley a place to chill and slow down, unwind, unplug, be patient and kind. Step back into the past visiting our historical Heritage Centers. Breathe in the fresh mountain air, enjoy the cool weather and expansive views. We Care for Colorado and thank you for keeping our county clean, pristine and beautiful.

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# Plush Vacation Rentals to Classic Camping in the Royal Gorge Region

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Choose from **RV resorts**, trusted national hotel chains, **charming cottages**, and locally owned **bed and breakfasts**. There are also family-focused ranches, budget-friendly motels, and quaint idyllic inns. Surround yourself with your favorite amenities. Enjoy pools, hot tubs, fireplaces, pet-friendly rooms, comfy robes, and gourmet breakfasts. Discover that perfect rustic riverside campsite. You'll find it here.

**Traveling with a large group** or hosting a family reunion? There are plenty of deluxe and affordable vacation rental destinations with room for multiple families to stay and play. Area guest ranches also offer space for your extended crew, filling your days with hands-ononly-in-Colorado experiences.

### Vacation Rentals, Hotels & Camping | LODGING

When nothing but a flickering fire and snoozing under the stars will do, area **campgrounds** deliver on private, city, and national lands. Royal Gorge camping can be as primitive as a tent or as cozy as a cabin. Try a combination of the two and experience luxury camping by going glamping. Both invite you to sit back and enjoy the breathtaking countryside and take advantage of the area's year-round mild weather.

And for those who prefer roughing it with a roof overhead, a soft mattress underneath and warm blankets all around, the region is brimming with resorts, ranches, and campgrounds offering **cabins to glamping tents**. Some locations even offer laundry, hot showers, pools, and riverside spaces.

For those who prefer camper wheels to tent poles, the region offers several well-equipped **RV pull-through sites** complete with amenities such as full hookups and free Wi-Fi.

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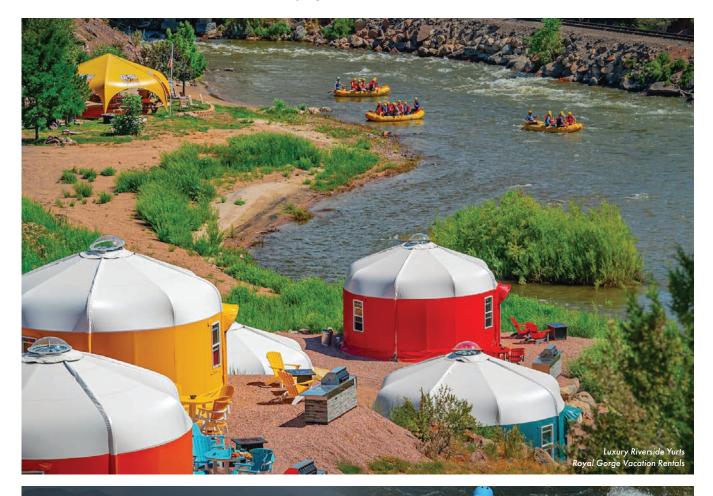
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Royal Gorge KOA Campground

# LODGING | Vacation Rentals, Hotels, & Camping





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# Lodging & Camping Grids | LODGING



LODGING	# of Units	TV	Phone	Kitchen	Fireplace	Pool	A/C	Spa / Hot Tub	Dining / Lounge	Handicap Acc.	Pets	Smoking	Groups	Wi-Fi	Comp. Breakfast
Bighorn Mountain Top Lodge • 4218 County Road 3A, Cañon City • (719) 275-7507	1	٠	٠		٠		٠			٠	٠			٠	
Quality Inn & Suites • 3075 US Highway 50, Cañon City • (719) 275-8676	150	٠	٠	*		٠	٠	٠	٠	٠	•	٠	٠	٠	٠
Royal Gorge Cabins • 45054 W US Highway 50, Cañon City • (800) 748-2953	21	٠		٠	٠		٠						٠	٠	
Royal Gorge Vacation Rentals • 45045 W US Highway 50, Cañon City • (719) 275-7238	3	٠	٠		٠			٠					٠	٠	

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CAMPING	Handicap Acc.	50-Amp	Pool	Laundry	Pull-Thru	Camp Store	Internet ∕ Wi-Fi	Tent Camping	Cabins / Motel	Meeting Room	Playground	Activities	Fishing	ADDITIONAL INFO
Mountain View RV Resort • (719) 275-0900 45606 W US Highway 50, Cañon City • www.mountainviewrvresort.net	•	•		•	•	•	•		•	•	•			Luxury Glamping, all full hookups, all gravel, concrete patios
<b>Royal Gorge KOA Campground</b> • 559 CR 3A, Cañon City (719) 275-6116 • www.RoyalGorgeKOA.com	٠	٠	•	٠	*	٠	•	٠	٠	٠	٠	٠		From luxury cabins and glamor tents, to premium RV and tent sites, we have something to make everyone comfortable.
Twin Bridges Campground • (719) 942-3088 16081 US Hwy 50, Coaldale • www.TwinBridgesColorado.com	*	٠					*	•					•	Unbeatable trout fishing in gold medal waters, as well as comfortable and accessible riverside campsites

(♠): Available

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# **PRIMITIVE CAMPING**

PRIMITIVE CAMPING	Vault Toilets	Water	Fire Rings	Picnic Tables	Trailer & RV Sites	Reservations	ADDITIONAL INFO
BLM Sand Gulch Campground • Red Canyon Road / CR 9, Cañon City	•		٠	٠	٠		12.5 miles north of Cañon City. Near Shelf Road.
BLM Banks Campground • Red Canyon Road / CR 9, Cañon City	•		٠	٠	٠		12.5 miles north of Cañon City. Near Shelf Road.
Five Points Campground • Accessible from Highway 50, Cañon City	•		٠	٠		٠	21 miles west of Cañon City. Watchable Wildlife.
Oak Creek Campground • Oak Creek Grade Road, Cañon City	•		٠	٠	Very Small Trailers		14 miles south of Cañon City. Closed during winter.
East Ridge Campground • Hwy 50 to 3A, follow signs to Campground, Cañon City	•		٠	٠	٠		Open year-round. Updated Sites.
Red Canyon Park • Red Canyon Road / CR 9, Cañon City	٠						10.5 miles north of Cañon City. Pavilion with picnic tables and fire pits.
Temple Canyon Park • Temple Canyon Road / CR 3, Cañon City	•						8 miles southwest of Cañon City. Overlooks Grape Creek.

f facebook.com/royalgorge | @@royalgorgeregion 55 Around town and in Cañon City's historic Main Street District, you will find a nice selection of locally-owned dining establishments that offer our visitors and residents options to the national chains found everywhere. Whether you crave Italian, Asian, Mexican, an American classic, or even a cross-cultural blend, they're all available.

# **OUTDOOR DINING**

Choose from classic diners, patio seating with corn-hole games and fire pits, or sit under sidewalk umbrellas with a view of the streetscape. Just west of town up on 8 Mile Hill you'll find more, (some open seasonally only) offering sand volleyball, live entertainment, rollicking scenes, or quieter space that blurs the line between indoors and out, with views of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains towering along the horizon.



### **CRAFT BEERS AND WINE**

No visit to Colorado would be complete without a sampling of locally-made craft beers or wine. The Cañon City and Florence area has its own favorite local brewers, and many restaurants keep plenty of other Colorado craft beers on tap. Whether it's after a raft trip or a bike ride, hike or stroll, you can sit and relax with a well-earned brew of your choice. Don't forget to ask our liquor retailers about local wine or any of the dozens of Colorado beers or spirits our state has become so well known for.



# LOCALLY-SOURCED MEALS

Cañon City has long been an agricultural hub, and you'll find plenty of locally sourced produce prepared in area eateries. From homemade pasta to foods from organic farms and orchards or historic family ranches, you'll taste the real difference that freshness makes. Check the directory in this guide or ask about where you can find farmraised, grass-fed beef, locally grown herbs, and heirloom fruits and vegetables. Southwestern-style green chili is a local and regional specialty – and chefs take pride in offering their own recipe alone, on breakfast burritos or pizza, and even over pasta or fries.



# Pizza, Burgers, Microbrews | **DINING**





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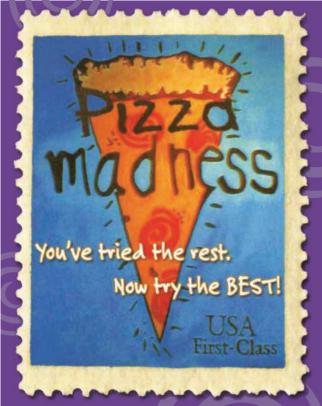
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Gator bites

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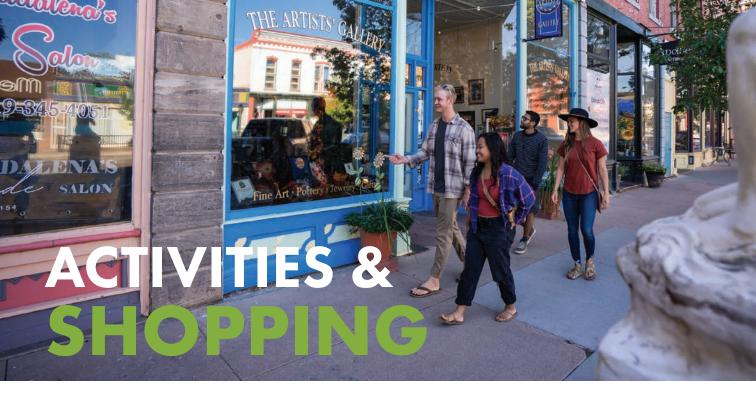
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# **DINING** | Pizza, Burgers, Microbrews



DINING	Cuisine	Meals Served	Alcohol Served	Take - Out	Groups	Catering	TVs	Reservations	Kid's Menu	Happy Hour	Hours (May vary seasonally)	Days Closed	FEATURES / COMMENTS
8 Mile Bar & Grill 🕹 45000 W US HWY 50, Cañon City • (719) 275-1558	American	L, D	•	٠	•	٠	٠				11a-8p	Seasonal closure mid-Sept to end of April	Freshly prepared meals, full bar, mountain views, indoor and outdoor seating
Aspen Leaf Bakery & Cafe 113 Main Street, Florence • (719) 784-3834	Breakfast & Sandwiches	B, L		•	•			٠	•		Su-M 11a-3p Tu-Th 8a-4p Fr-Sa 8a-5p		Quiche, Biscuits & Gravy, Burritos, Pastries, Soup & Sandwiches
Café 1230 • Located in Visitors Center at Royal Gorge Bridge & Park • (719) 275-7507	American	L	•		•		٠		•		Open Daily 10a Closing hours vary		Food with a view: access with paid admission
Cañon City MUGS • 1520 Royal Gorge Blvd. Cañon City • (719) 276-5348	Homemade Classic American	B, L, D	•	•	•		•		•	•	Open Daily 7a-10p		Espresso Bar, Sports Bar, Happy Hour, Live Music, Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
<b>City on a Hill Coffee &amp; Roastery </b> 420 Main Street, Cañon City • (719) 966-1671	Donuts & Goodies	B, L		٠	٠	٠		٠	•		7a-3p		Breakfast Burritos. Quiches. Pastries. Sandwiches. Salads. Seasonal Soup. Coffee. Tea.
Pizza Madness & Madress 509 Main Street, Cañon City • (719) 276-3088	Italian	L, D	•	٠	٠	٠	٠	•	•		Su: 11 a-9p M-Th: 11 a-8p F-Sa: 11 a-9:30p	Tuesday	Handmade Pizza, Sandwiches, Salads, Pasta
Quincys Steak & Spirits 121 W Main Street, Florence • (719) 784-1913	Steakhouse	D	•	٠	٠						Dinner served nightly 4pm to 9pm		Prime Rib, Filet Mignon, Great Bar!
Whitewater Bar & Grill         Image: Second Se	American	L, D	٠	•	•		•			٠	11 am-10pm Seasonal		Enjoy the amazing scenery with a cold beverage, a delicious meal and a fun and lively environment.
World's End Brewing Company & 401 Main Street, Cañon City • (719) 315-2663	Great Pub Food	L, D	٠	•	٠		٠			٠	11 am-10pm 7 days a week	Thanksgiving & Christmas	Craft beer brewed on-site. Full lunch/dinner menu, outside patio



# **CAÑON CITY'S FIRST FRIDAYS**

Join in the summer fun for Cañon City's First Friday event. Businesses along historic Main Street often feature live music, refreshments, events, guest artists, sales, and more! Peruse art galleries, retail shops, restaurants, co-working spaces, clothing shops, home goods, antiques, and other businesses from 2nd Street to 9th Street.

# FLORENCE'S SECOND SATURDAYS

The hub of the Second Saturday fun in Florence is the Blue Spruce Gallery at 205 Main Street. Start there and then visit the many galleries, shops, and restaurants open late for the monthly event. Local artists and gallery owners will be happy to show you the wealth of talent that abounds in the area. Pop into local shops for a meal, coffee, treasured antique 'find', craft, work of art, and more!





## **FARMERS MARKETS**

#### **Cañon City**

The Cañon City Farmers Market features an eclectic variety of meats, vegetables, and artisans from the Royal Gorge Region. Find local products like honey, eggs, baked goods, and heritage vegetables from producers along the Arkansas River Valley and beyond. The market is conveniently located on Main Street in downtown Cañon City. You'll also find information on local non-profit organizations and small businesses.

#### Florence

The Florence Farmers Market is held beneath the shade at Florence's downtown Pioneer Park. Located just three blocks off of Florence's historic Main Street, the farmer's market features locally-produced products, produce, food, crafts, and baked goods. Follow them on Facebook at @MarketinFlorence for information on events and workshops held at the market throughout the summer. The Florence Municipal Pool is located adjacent to the market.

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