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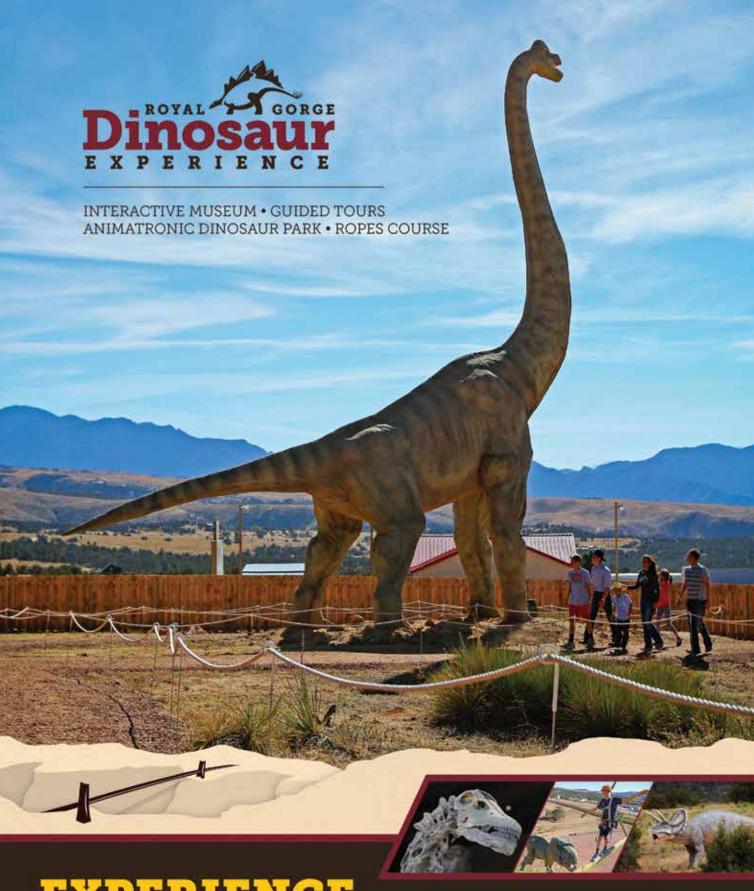
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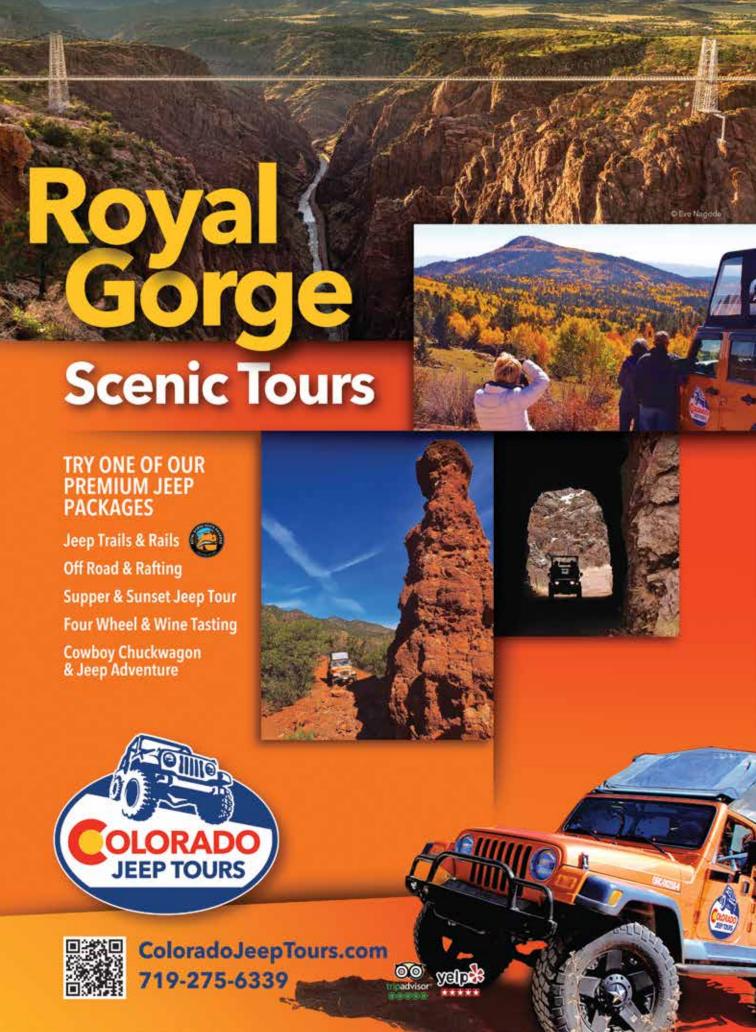
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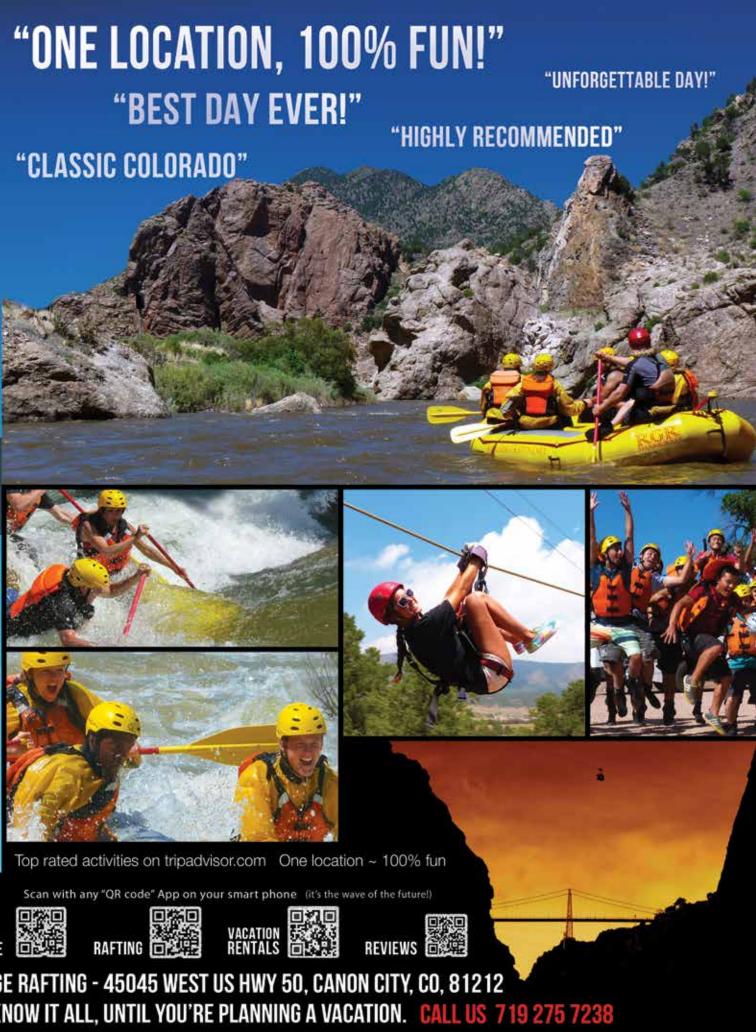
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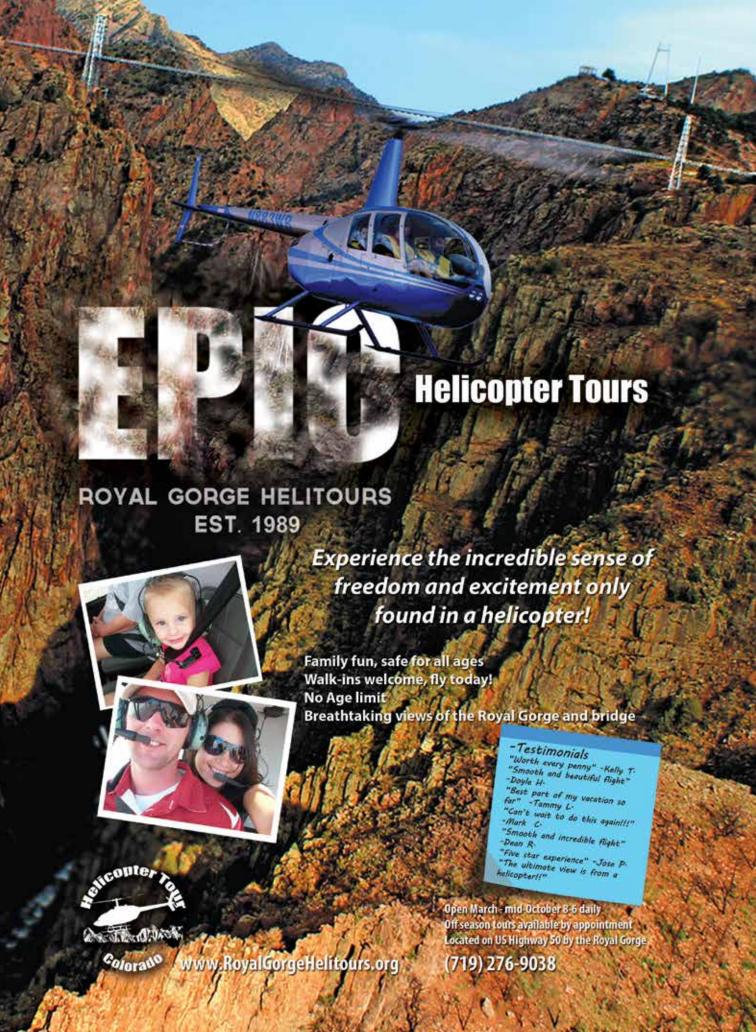
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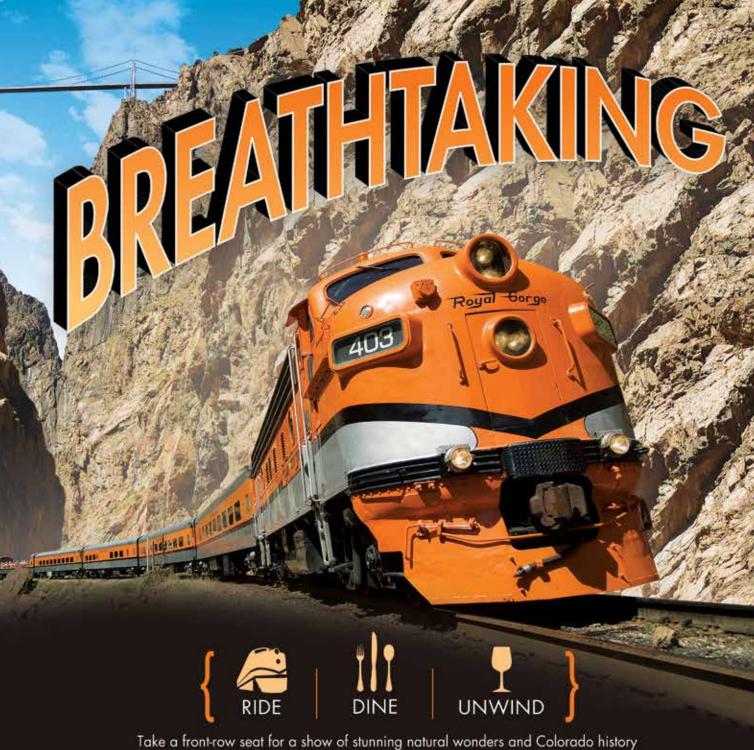
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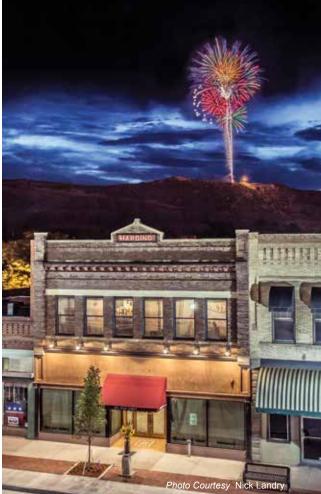
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Welcome to the Royal Gorge Region

We invite you to savor, indulge and explore every beautiful nook the Royal Gorge Region has to offer.

First-time visitor? Delight in the area's authenticity, stunning scenery and variety of outdoor adventures. If you're a return visitor, we hope you appreciate the same activities you enjoyed in the past and take the time to discover new experiences.

The Royal Gorge Region's natural beauty will stop you in your tracks. The 1,200-foot deep Royal Gorge canyon, the rushing Arkansas River and surrounding towering peaks create a breathtaking backdrop to any trip. Add the quaint, historic Main Streets of Cañon City and Florence to this canvas and you've got a postcard-perfect Colorado setting.

Explore great heights, try a new sport or craft your ideal, laid-back stay. Most importantly, tailor your experience to your liking. Hop aboard the train to take in spectacular views of the Royal Gorge. Spend a day shopping in Florence, the antique capital of Colorado, to discover your next favorite treasure. Visit the Royal Gorge Bridge to walk 1,000 feet above the mighty Arkansas River. Tap into local adrenaline-fueled experiences like whitewater rafting and ziplining, or soar over the gorge on a helicopter tour.

Get out on the Royal Gorge Region's extensive network of hiking and biking trails. From tame to rugged, and miles of trails added every year, there's a path for every ability level.

When it's time to unwind and regroup, indulge at one of our delicious restaurants and sip award-winning wines at the Winery at Holy Cross Abbey. If beer is more your style, quench your thirst at one of our brew pubs.

Savor unique experiences, explore high desert trails, fish Gold Medal waters on the Arkansas River, raft wild whitewater rapids, and shop authentic Main Streets.

The Royal Gorge Region invites you to discover your perfect getaway. Welcome, and enjoy.









Four Seasons of Fremont County

Welcome to the Climate Capital of Colorado!

While some regions in Colorado's mountains and foothills experience winter conditions from late October right into early or mid-June, the Royal Gorge Region often enjoys 40-, 50- and sometimes even 60-degree days during the winter months.

At an elevation of 5,332 feet above sea level, this area is slightly higher than the Mile High City of Denver. But tucked into the folds and bluffs of the Arkansas Valley, Cañon City often enjoys a much milder climate than most of the Front Range and Denver.

Oftentimes, at the precise moment powder hounds are carving first tracks on one of Colorado's ski runs, their technical climbing counterparts might very well be roping up for morning ascents at the Shelf Road Climbing Area just north of Cañon City.

Truly, in the Royal Gorge Region year-round outdoor recreation opportunities are limited only by one's imagination. Regardless of what the calendar might say, visitors can enjoy 18 holes of golf on one of the courses across the region. The Arkansas Riverwalk Trail is also an excellent choice for a leisure walk or ride, and is perfect for families.

Fly fishers can wet their lines in the Arkansas River all year long - and maybe even land that monster Brown. Guide service is available, and easy access is found along the Riverwalk Trail.

The historic Royal Gorge Route Railroad offers scenic rides year-round. Extending into winter months, train enthusiasts can take a magical trip to the North Pole on the Santa Express Train.

In addition, ATV and jeep tours, scenic drives, hikes, The Abbey Winery, mountain biking, and visits to the Royal Gorge Bridge & Park are all year-round opportunities.

St. Thomas More Hospital



St. Thomas More Hospital is the Royal Gorge Region's connection to quality health and wellness services. We offer 24-hour emergency/trauma services, Centura Health Urgent Care Cañon City, The Birth Place and more.

Particularly during peak travel season, we treat illnesses and injuries that people experience during outdoor recreational activities. For your safety and preparation, we encourage you to carry your medication list, emergency contact information, and a first-aid kit with you. Here are some additional tips:

HEAT EXHAUSTION/STROKE

Dress in layers for varying weather; wear sunglasses, sunscreen. If you feel fatigue, nausea, headache, excessive thirst, rapid heartbeat, muscle cramps, etc., get to air conditioning/shady area, rest, drink water, apply ice towels. Get medical care immediately; delay of severe cases can be fatal.

SNAKE BITES

The hospital carries anti-venom medication. Get medical care immediately; delay could lead to loss of limb or death.

ALTITUDE SICKNESS

For headache, no appetite, nausea/vomiting, weakness, dizziness, etc., go to lower altitude, rest, drink water, and take medication for headache. If symptoms worsen, get medical care immediately.

ORTHOPEDIC INJURY

For foot/ankle injury, use shoe as stabilizer; for broken bones, stabilize, ice, elevate; take anti-inflammatory medication; needs timely evaluation. If open fracture, get medical care immediately to avoid infection.

FR OR URGENT CARE?

If symptoms are sudden, serious and/or life-threatening, visit the St. Thomas More Emergency Room. Examples: difficulty breathing, chest pain/pressure, fainting/dizziness, sudden/severe pain, uncontrolled bleeding, severe/persistent vomiting/diarrhea, difficulty speaking.

For minor injuries or illnesses that require attention but do not suggest an immediate threat to your health or life, consider Centura Health Urgent Care Cañon City. Examples: minor injuries/lacerations, eye discomfort/redness, minor fractures/sprains, urinary symptoms, coughs/colds, fever, flu, sore throat, skin rashes/infections.

In life's most critical moments, seconds matter.

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Royal Gorge Bridge & Park





Royal Gorge Bridge & Park

Enjoy the beauty and the mind-boggling depth of the Royal Gorge Bridge and Park, open 365 days a year. Your adventure begins 10 miles west of Cañon City with a walk across America's highest suspension bridge, built in 1929. Over 26 million guests have visited the park since then, ranking the iconic park as one of the top must-see attractions in Colorado.

The park has a rich history of spectacular undertakings, including the initial building of the Royal Gorge Bridge, and a complete rebuild in 2013 after a wildfire destroyed 90 percent of the park. The bridge was minimally damaged and still "Stands Tall" today. Holding the title of "world's highest suspension bridge" for over 70 years, the Bridge hangs 956 feet above the Arkansas River. To see historical artifacts and feature film, be sure to visit the park's Plaza Theater and Historical Expo.

Today, the timeless beauty of the area is showcased with the Visitor Center perched on the side of the gorge, the perfect place to shop or dine. Styled in pure Colorado tradition with spectacular views and a mammoth deck, visitors can enjoy a scrumptious meal or snack at Café 1230, the named so because the Café is 1,230 feet above the river! During the summer months check out the world class ribs and brisket at the Bridge View BBQ on the patio beside the bridge.

Attractions include gondolas traversing 2,220 feet across the gorge, Tommy Knocker Playland, featuring a beautifully crafted carousel, climbing structure, a splash pad and wax hand store for the kids. For the daring, the Royal Gorge Cloudscraper by ZipRider flies guests a thousand feet over the river. Or patrons can experience the World's Scariest Skycoaster sitting on the very edge of the gorge.

During the summer months guests can enjoy bands and showst at the Park After Dark Concert Series in the Elk Park Amphitheater, a lawnseating venue facing the mountains. Check www.royalgorgebridge.com for all available prices, attractions, concerts, events, and extra pay features. Also check out our partner, Colorado Jeep Tours, and their unique tour of the area that includes a trip across the Royal Gorge Bridge.

Jeep Tours Across the Royal Gorge Bridge

There is no better way to see the expansive Royal Gorge Region, including the Royal Gorge Bridge and Park, than by Jeep with Colorado Jeep Tours. Early explorers marveled at what we call the Royal Gorge Anticline. This is a 6 mile by 10 mile mass of granite forcing its way up through the earth's crust. The mighty Arkansas River cuts its way through the middle, one thousand feet below. The unique beauty of the Royal Gorge Region has been enticing travelers for centuries. Historically, early explorers and sightseers have traversed this vastness by foot, by horseback, and even by train. But now, the splendor of the Royal Gorge Region can be experienced by Jeep.

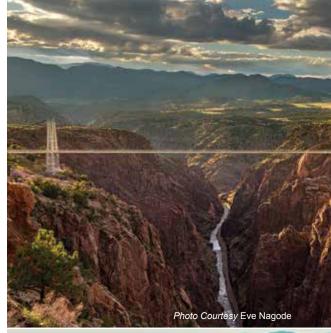
Colorado Jeep Tour Jeeps are designed with your comfort in mind. You can experience the grandeur of the Royal Gorge from specially made open air vehicles. These Jeeps have a covered top and open sides so you won't miss the view or the opportunity to take a perfect picture. Vehicles can accommodate up to 10 passengers at a time, allowing your entire family to enjoy the experience together.

All tours are driven by an interpretive guide who knows the history, the geology, and the paleontology of the region. They tell stories of the old west and talk about flora and fauna while safely navigating you and your family along unknown backroads and four-wheel drive trails. Colorado Jeep Tours has exclusive motorized access to the south entrance of the Royal Gorge Park and to the top of Fremont Peak. Guests can take in 360 degrees of picturesque views and vistas.

Colorado Jeep Tours provides its clients with numerous ways to see the Royal Gorge and the surrounding area. Guests have the opportunity of booking a half-day or full day-tour. Also offered is the increasingly popular Sunset and Supper Tour.

Capture the spectacular Colorado sunset after enjoying a hearty BBQ dinner at the Royal Gorge Bridge and Park. Beginning in 2017, Colorado Jeep Tours and the Royal Gorge Bridge and Park will be packaging the one and only Cloudscraper Zip Line across the Royal Gorge with a special Jeep tour combination, "Zip and Jeep."

For information or to make reservations, visit coloradojeeptours.com or call (719) 275-6339. Colorado Jeep Tours is located in Canon City, eight miles south of the Royal Gorge Bridge and Park.









Royal Gorge Region Activities

For those who want to experience real, rustic Colorado in all its bluebird-sky, whitewater, big adventure glory, the Royal Gorge Region is your destination. Combine the striking natural landscape with the area's year-round mild weather and laid-back local vibe, and you've got the ideal Colorado vacation.

Expert outfitters are on-hand to take you and yours rafting, biking, fishing, ATVing, zip-lining, horseback riding and more.

Feel the power of the Arkansas River on one of the country's most sought after whitewater rafting experiences as you paddle between the rugged rock walls of the Royal Gorge.

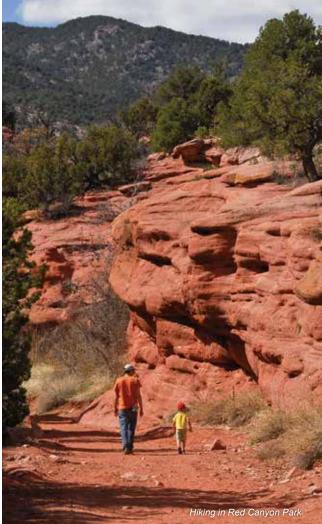
Cross America's highest suspension bridge, go ziplining and feel the free-fall rush of the Skycoaster at the Royal Gorge Bridge and Park (www.royalgorgebridge.com). Climb aboard the Royal Gorge Route Railroad (www.royalgorgeroute.com) for an unbelievable journey through the steep and narrow 10-mile-long canyon and be sure to visit the open-air car for wildlife viewing (blue herons and bighorn sheep thrive here).

For cultural favorites, visit the area's theaters, browse art galleries for paintings, prints and crafts and explore local museums for a peek into local lore and dinosaur, mining and pioneer history.

Shop and sightsee, collect amazing antiques and then delve into the countryside at a family-run orchard, pumpkin patch or corn maze. Drive the scenic Gold Belt Tour, walk discovery trails and search for fossils or have a relaxing picnic by the river.

Outdoor excursions span mellow to extreme. Hike at your own pace, take a guided fishing or hunting trip and see it all on a Jeep tour, guided horseback tour or an ATV tour through the Arkansas River Valley. There are even Segway and helicopter tours.

From the forest to the canyon, the rushing river to our charming Main Streets, the Royal Gorge Region promises to feed your spirit and create everlasting memories.







Activities



Rafting

With its easy access and nearly continuous rapids, the Arkansas River is the most rafted river in the world. Rapids range from mellow Class II to raging Class IV in the stretches that run through the region.

RIDE THE RAPIDS

The Arkansas River starts at the Continental Divide near Leadville, Colorado, and offers various levels of rafting. The river drops 10,000 feet in the first 125 miles providing some of the best-known big-water rafting in the nation.

For a moderate trip of Class III rapids, take a half-day trip through Bighorn Sheep Canyon. This is a great trip for families with children and for those who like scenery alongside moderate excitement.

WHITEWATER KAYAK & RECREATION PARK

Centennial Park features two surf waves for kayakers, rafters and river-boarders to surf and play on. Onlookers enjoy a wading pool and sandstone sideline seating. The park hosts the annual Royal Gorge Whitewater Festival typically on the last weekend in June. Centennial Park is located where 3rd Street meets the river in Cañon City.







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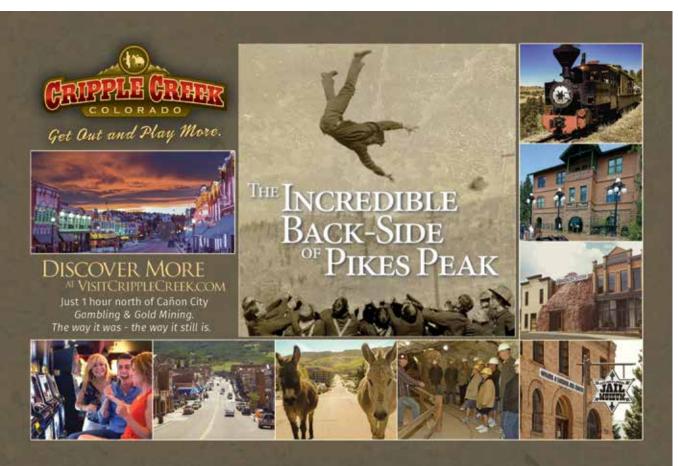
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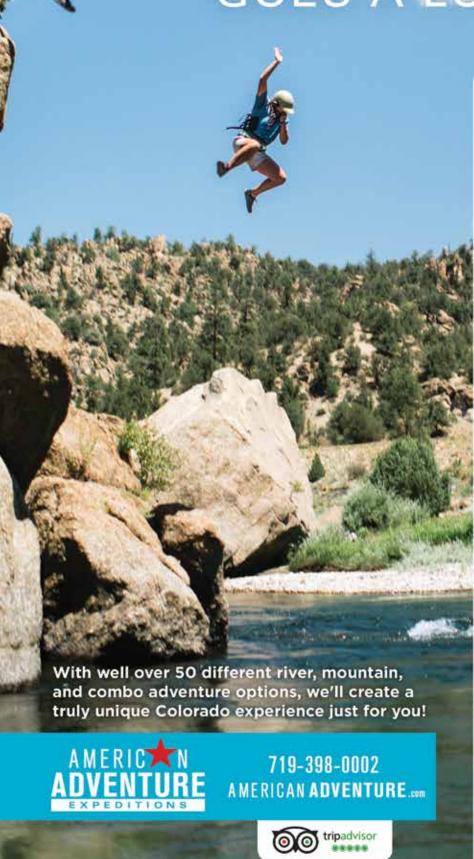
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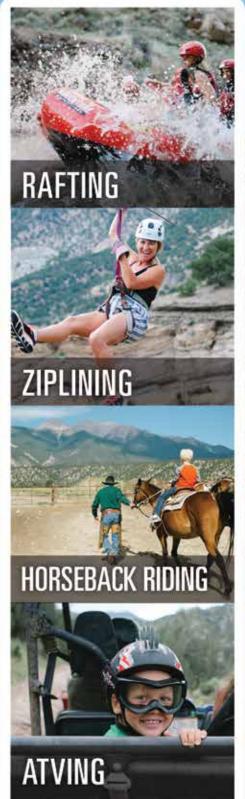






A LITTLE Adventure GOES A LONG WAY!







Hiking & Biking the Royal Gorge Region

The Royal Gorge Region continues to add miles of outstanding trails each year. Local trail advocacy groups such as Fremont Adventure Recreation (FAR) and the Lower Arkansas Mountain Bicycling Association (LAMBA) work hard alongside the BLM and the City of Cañon City to maintain and expand the trail scene. While trail excursions can be quite hot during summer months (bring lots of water and sun protection!), the spring, fall, and even winter months lead to idyllic adventures. Wondering where to start? Read on!

ROYAL GORGE PARK:

The new Royal Gorge Park trails wind through piñon and juniper trees throughout the area, boasting trails from relatively easy to advanced. The Canyon Rim Trail offers up breathtaking views of the gorge, but be aware of exposed areas as you make your way along the trail. Other area trails are generally of intermediate difficulty as they meander throughout the park, and even connect with the Royal Gorge Park Campground.

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 historic properties, open farmland, cottonwood groves, and city parks. The Riverwalk is mostly a flat, wide maintained trail that is open during all seasons; perfect for families and cruiser bike rides!

OIL WELL FLATS:

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

*For complete maps and directions to trailheads, grab a free copy of FAR's 2017 Recreation & Trail Guide, available at the Cañon City Chamber of Commerce, Red Canyon Cycles (410 Main Street, Cañon City), and several other locations throughout the Royal Gorge Region. See www.joinfar.org/adventureguide for more information!







Activities



ATV/Four-Wheeling

The Royal Gorge Region has some of the best trails in Colorado for ATV and 4-wheel fun at Texas Creek Recreation area. Detailed maps are available at Cañon City Chamber of Commerce, and the Visitors Center Cabin.

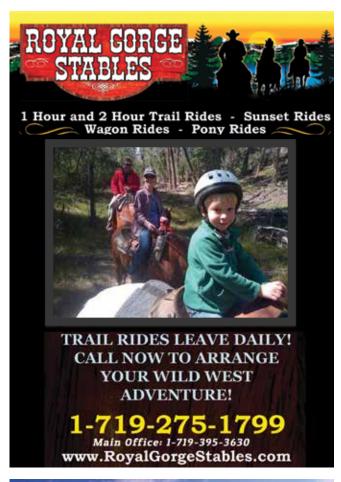
Clearance varies on these routes, and the network links some ATV sections with 4-wheel drive. There are miles and miles of trails and tracks. Among the most popular 4-wheel drive routes are Bull Gulch (606), Fremont County Road 27 (27), Fernleaf Gulch Connector (6020) and Reese Gulch Bypass (6024). Popular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

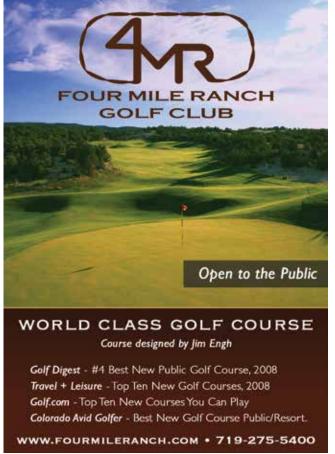
Always consult maps, check weather forecast in advance; and be aware of the BLM regulations.

The Royal Gorge Region also has several guide services - a great idea for novice riders or folks unfamiliar with Rocky Mountain terrain. Visit the combined BLM/USFS regional office at 3028 E. Main Street, Cañon City for regulations, trail maps and other outdoor recreation information.

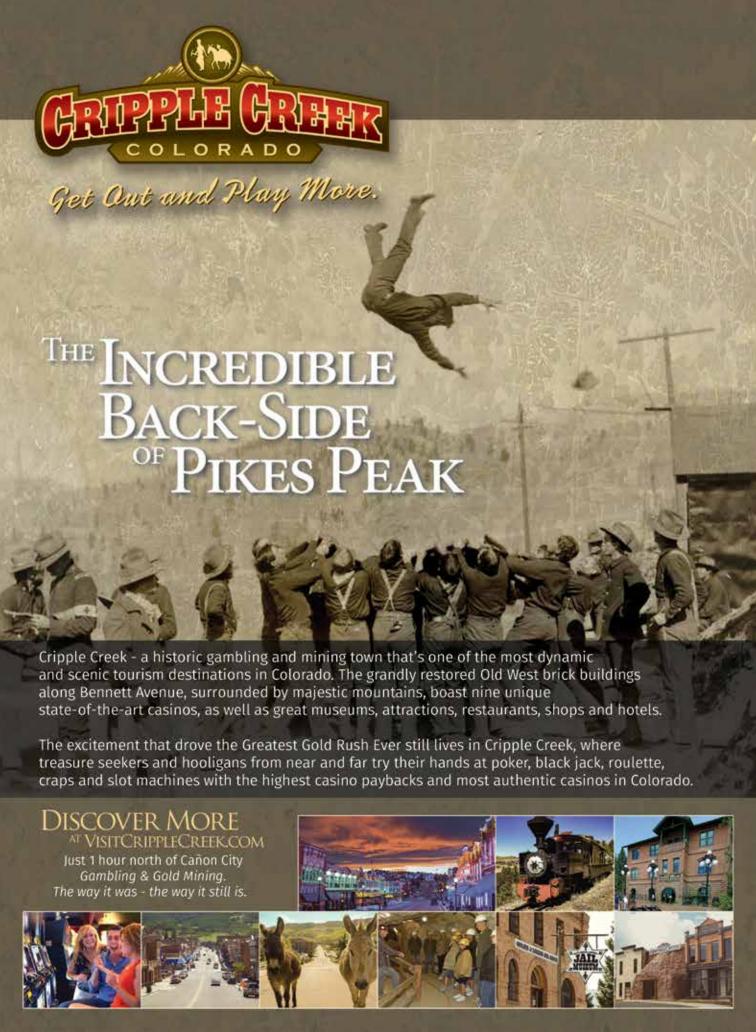
Road Rides

Road rides across the Royal Gorge Region offer up the opportunity to traverse some of the area's most scenic roads as you take in iconic vistas. If hitting the pavement is your thing, the Royal Gorge Region has a ride for you. A locals' favorite, the 30-mile Red Canyon Road Ride will treat you to historic ranches with sweeping desert views. The Hardscrabble Loop is a century test piece, taking you all the way up to scenic Westcliffe and back. Lastly, consider the 68-mile Phantom Canyon/Shelf Road ride to travel along part of the Gold Belt Byway. For complete information and maps of these rides, grab a free copy of the 2017 Recreation & Trail Guide by Fremont Adventure Recreation at the Cañon City Chamber of Commerce, Red Canyon Cycles, and other area locations. Or see the web to download your own copy: www.joinfar.org/adventureguide









Gold Belt Scenic Byway

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.

SHFLF ROAD

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

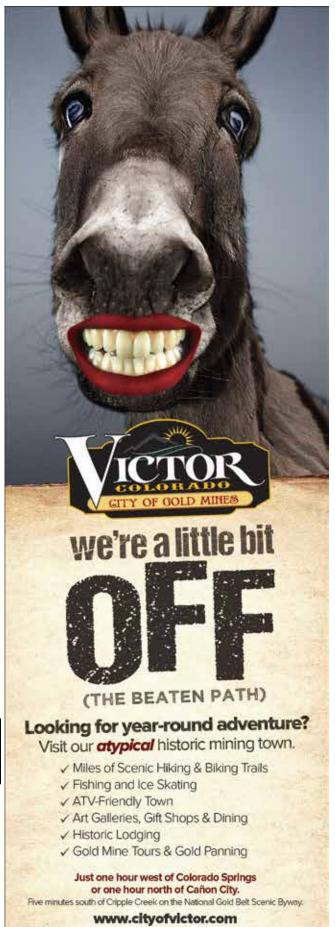
HIGH PARK ROAD

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. 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

For more information visit www.goldbeltbyway.com







Activities



Skyline Drive

Travel this one-way ridgetop for sweeping Royal Gorge Region vistas, spectacular geological wonders and along the way discover our unearthed dinosaur trackway.

THE HISTORY

During the early 1900s, local leaders devised a plan to build a road over the sharp Hogback west of Cañon City. The unprecedented scenic thoroughfare would gift visitors and residents dramatic Colorado views and allow them to practically touch the sky.

In 1905, around 60 inmates from the Colorado State Penitentiary were assigned to construct Skyline Drive. They finished in 1906 and the city council named designated vehicle days and horse-drawn carriage days to avoid conflicts along the narrow route.

THE GEOLOGY

Deposited sand and mud flowing in from the ancestral Rocky Mountains about 105 million years ago formed what is now known as the Dakota Hogback formation. View layers of red rock along the base of the ridge, dubbed The Fountain Formation by geologists, and see where dinosaur fossils were found in the Morrison Formation. Rich coal and oil fields are also a part of the geological story where Skyline Drive was built.

THE DRIVE

Skyline Drive is paved and lies northwest of Cañon City. It travels along a narrow razorback ridge for a few miles until reaching the end of the ridge. The descent begins with a hairpin turn and winds down the eastern side of the hogback. Not for the timid driver, there are points where both sides of the roadway drop several hundred feet.

Directions: Head west of Cañon City on Highway 50 for two miles and turn right at the entrance to Skyline Drive. Take note of vehicle length restrictions.

SIGHTS ALONG THE WAY

Plenty of pullouts and parking areas make it easy to stop and enjoy the views overlooking Cañon City, Florence, Fremont Peak and the surrounding landscape. Stop to see the Gateway Arch. an entrance marker built by inmates in 1932 using a stone from every state in the union.

Pull over near the top to view the interpretive display on the dinosaur footprint casts embedded in the cliff face. Local resident and paleontology student Bill Kurtz discovered the dinosaur trackway in 1999. Allow about one hour to explore Skyline Drive. The road is open daily during daylight hours and may close for inclement weather.



Geology: Dinosaur & Fossil Finds

View prehistoric tracks, walk discovery trails, search for fossils or 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.

GARDEN PARK FOSSIL AREA

Garden Park Fossil Area, located just north of Cañon City on Red Canyon Road, is a 3,600-acre area that has been producing significant dinosaur fossils for nearly 125 years. Most of the Jurassic dinosaurs on display at Smithsonian's Museum of Natural History are from this area. Three Stegosaurus skeletons, including Colorado's state fossil, were excavated here.

INDIAN SPRINGS TRACE FOSSIL SITE

The privately owned Indian Springs Trace Fossil Site is also designated by the National Park Service as a National Natural Landmark. Located just east of Cañon City on the private Thorson Family Ranch, the National Park Service designated it as a National Natural Landmark due to the importance of the Ordovician Period (485 to 443 million years ago) trace fossils found there. These trace fossils include tracks left by trilobites, fish and other prehistoric creatures on the bottom of an ancient ocean. Indian Springs is considered the best locality to study Ordovician Period trace fossils in North America because of the excellent preservation and wide variety of ichnospecies, or types of trace fossils, found there.

ROYAL GORGE DINOSAUR EXPERIENCE

Home to a world-class collection of interactive displays, full-scale dinosaur fossil casts, real dinosaur fossils, entertaining guided tours of the exhibit halls, and outdoor animatronic dinosaur exhibits. Leave knowing a lot more about Colorado's paleontological history while also creating indelible memories of a great time spent learning, discovering and having fun with friends and family.





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Activities





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, 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.

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

LEGENDARY FISHING

The Arkansas River, with its Gold Medal fishing waters, is legendary and attracts anglers year-round from all over the United States. The Brown Trout population in this river is second to none and makes up the vast majority of catches, Rainbows and even an occasional Cutthroat are also found in some parts of the river.

Fly fishers are typically out year-round, but especially around the first week of May. During this time, one of the most intense Caddis hatches in all of the United States occurs between Cañon City and Salida. Savvy fly fishers know that some of the best dry fly fishing happens from mid-summer through the fall with grasshopper imitations.

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.

Richly Rooted: Fremont County Agritourism

Nourished by the Arkansas River, plowable rich soil and a year-round moderate climate, Fremont County's orchards, farms, ranches and vineyards have been a success story from the start.

The area's agricultural heritage reaches back to when local farmers provided fresh fruit, vegetables and more to regional mining camps. Records show that in 1888, Fremont County produced and shipped more than 700,000 pounds of apples, pears, grapes, plums, peaches and strawberries.

Today's visitors can dig into the local agricultural bounty at the state's oldest orchards, where Colorado's original apple trees and grapes were planted. Taste the freshness at a pick-your-own apple and raspberry farm, sip pressed ciders, and explore pumpkin patches and corn mazes each autumn.

Shop farm stores and stands and support the hard-working families and farmers dedicated to the region's rich soil. Head to Fremont County farmers markets and enjoy your pick of the crop or order from farm-to-table-inspired menus at many of our family-owned restaurants. Don't be surprised to find locally raised fish and grass-fed beef among the tasty entrées.

When it's time for a glass of vino, area wineries invite you to wander their tasting rooms and vineyards. The tasting room at The Winery at Holy Cross Abbey is open daily to sample a flight of multiaward winning wines. Or reserve a spot for their VIP wine and cheese tasting in the park, or on the tasting room terrace, for \$25.00 per person. This includes a private hostess and a sampling of all wines, as well as artisan cheeses and breads, fruits and chocolates to best accompany each wine.

Dig in, taste it all and enjoy the fruits (literally) of our labor!

Cañon City Farmers' Market is held every Tuesday, June through September, 8am to 1pm at Veterans Park.

Local Farmers, Bakers, Artisans & Nonprofits gather weekly to connect with the community & visitors. Call 719-671-2519 for more info.





TUESDAYS 8AM-1PM

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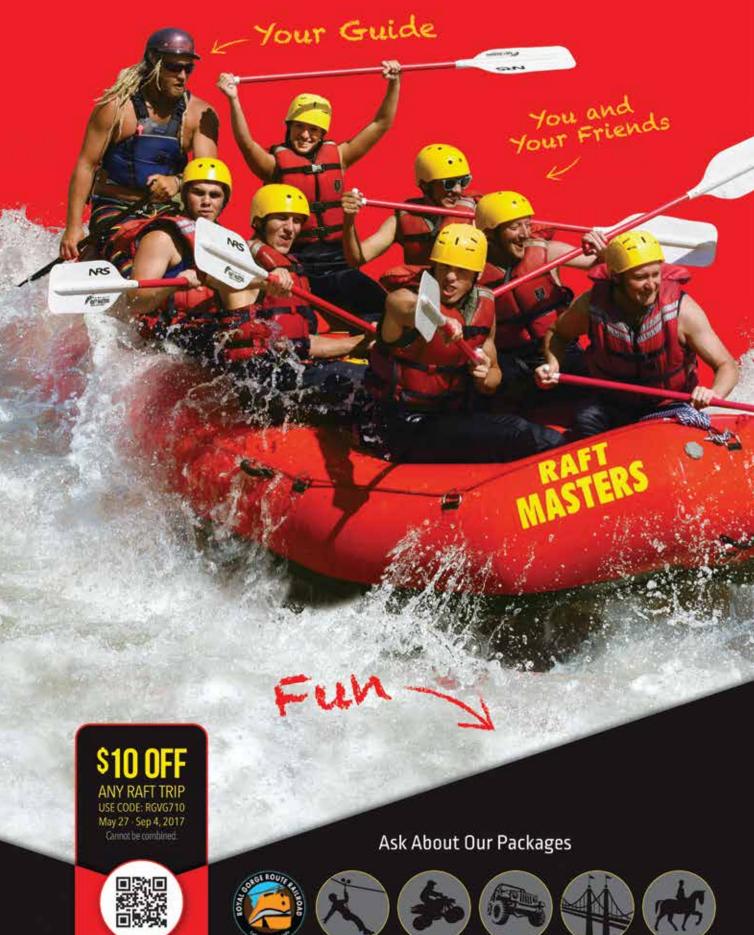
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Calendar of Events 2017





JANUARY

6 First Friday

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00 and check out all the stores that stay open late just for YOU! Music, food, art, and more!

6-28 Cut & Paste / Chalk It Up

Fremont Center for the Arts, 505 Macon, 719-275-2790. www.fremontarts.org

FEBRUARY

3 First Friday

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00 and check out all the stores that stay open late just for YOU! Music, food, art, and more!

11 15th Annual Chocolate Lover's Walk

Downtown Canon City

11 Snow Queen 5K

Bringing women together during winter for health, www.joinfar.org

Presented by the Fremont Community Foundation. Enjoy Cajun food and tons of fun.

26 Orchard of Hope's 6th Annual Gourmet Sampler

Local restaurants and vendors showcase the best of Florence's culinary scene. 719-275-0089

MARCH

3 First Friday

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00 and check out all the stores that stay open late just for YOU! Music, food, art, and more!

3-April 1 Taking Flight

Fremont Center for the Arts, 505 Macon, 719-275-2790, www.fremontarts.org

APRIL

1-30 Fremont County Appreciation Month

Royal Gorge Bridge & Park. 888-333-5597

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00 and check out all the stores that stay open late just for YOU! Music, food, art, and more!

15 UnReal Film Night

Group mtn bike ride and TGR's film, UnReal. Hosted by FAR and the RG Bridge and Park. www.joinfar.org

16 Easter Sunrise Service

Sunrise service held at the Royal Gorge Bridge & Park. 888-333-5597

16 Cañon City Chamber of Commerce Easter Egg Hunt Held on the Abbey grounds.

22-23 Escape in Time to Steampunk and Wine

Held in Florence

1-31 Fremont County Appreciation Month

Royal Gorge Bridge & Park. 888-333-5597

4-6 79th Annual Music & Blossom Festival

Parade, arts & crafts fair, food vendors, carnival, rodeo, and so much more. www.ccblossomfestival.com

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00 and check out all the stores that stay open late just for YOU! Music, food, art, and more!

6 runBlossom

www.runblossom.org

5-6 Royal Gorge Pro Rodeo

Held at the Fremont Rodeo Grounds. 719-275-0437

TBD 70th Annual Juried Blossom Fine Art Exhibit & Sale

Fremont Center for the Arts, 505 Macon, 719-275-2790, www.fremontarts.org



20 35th Annual Antique & Special Interest Car Show

Royal Gorge Chapter VMCCA. Held on the Abbey grounds.

20 After FlashBack

50s themed street party. Dance the night away with live music in historic downtown Main Street. Presented by the Fremont Community Foundation.

21 Florence Merchant's Car Show

27-29 Create Cañon City Balloon Classic

Memorial Day Weekend, Holy Cross Abbey Winery

JUNE

2 Florence Entertainment in the Park

2 First Friday

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00 and check out all the stores that stay open late just for YOU! Music, food, art, and more!

2-Aug.19 Beasts & Byways

Fremont Center for the Arts

6, 13, 20, 27 Cañon City Farmers Market

Tuesdays (8-1) at Veterans Park. Local Farmers, Bakers, Artisans & Nonprofits gather weekly to connect with the community & visitors.

6, 13, 20, 27 Cañon City Entertainment in the Park

Tuesday Nights, 7-9, at Veterans Park. 719-275-2331

23-24 Royal Gorge Whitewater Festival

Fremont Community Foundation www.royalgorgewhitewaterfestival.com

24 Whitewater Adventure Race (W.A.R.)

An action-packed obstacle race held at the whitewater festival. www.royalgorgewhitewaterfestival.com

30 Park after Dark Concert Series

Royal Gorge Bridge & Park. 5-10pm. 888-333-5597

JULY

4 Fourth of July Celebration

Royal Gorge Bridge & Park. 888-333-5597

4 Florence's Fourth of July Celebration

4 Cañon City Fireworks

4, 11,18, 25 Cañon City Farmers Market

Tuesdays (8-1) at Veterans Park. Local Farmers, Bakers, Artisans & Nonprofits gather weekly to connect with the community & visitors.

11, 18, 25 Cañon City Entertainment in the Park

Tuesday Nights, 7-9, at Veterans Park. 719-275-2331

7 First Friday

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00 and check out all the stores that stay open late just for YOU! Music, food, art, and more!

7 Florence Entertainment in the Park

29 Brews over the Arkansas

29- Aug. 6 Fremont County Fair

Held at the Fremont County Fairgrounds in Cañon City.

AUGUST

1, 8,15, 22, 29 Cañon City Farmers Market

Tuesdays (8-1) at Veterans Park. Local Farmers, Bakers, Artisans & Nonprofits gather weekly to connect with the community & visitors.

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Cañon City Entertainment in the Park

Tuesday Nights, 7-9, at Veterans Park. 719-275-2331

4 First Friday

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4 Florence Entertainment in the Park

5 Park after Dark Concert Series

Royal Gorge Bridge & Park. 5-10pm. 888-333-5597

SEPTEMBER

1 Florence Entertainment in the Park

1 First Friday

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00. Music, food, art, and more!

2-4 Labor Day Weekend Celebration

Royal Gorge Bridge & Park. 888-333-5597

5, 12, 19, 26 Cañon City Farmers Market

Tuesdays (8-1) at Veterans Park. Local Farmers, Bakers, Artisans & Nonprofits gather weekly to connect with the community & visitors.

8 Park after Dark Concert Series

Royal Gorge Bridge & Park. 5-10pm. 888-333-5597

9 John Wells Memorial Toy Run

Presented by the Fremont Community Foundation.

15-17 Pioneer Days

Florence celebrates its Pioneer Days.

23 Bikes and Brews Scenic Century

100k and 50k bike ride with beer and entertainment following at Macon Plaza, www.bikesandbrews.org

23-24 Harvest Festival

Held at the Winery at Holy Cross Abbey Wine, music, art and food! 719-276-5191

Mid Sept - Oct 10 Fremont County Fall Heritage Days

OCTOBER

1 Penrose Apple Days

1-10 Fremont County Fall Heritage Days

1 Rim to Rim Royal Gorge Races

A 5k abd 10k race through the park and finishing on the Royal Gorge Bridge. www.rimtorimroyalgorge.com

3, 10 Cañon City Farmers Market

Tuesdays (8-1) at Veterans Park. Local Farmers, Bakers, Artisans & Nonprofits gather weekly to connect with the community & visitors.

6 First Friday

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00. Music, food, art, and more!

16-21 Paint the Town

A five-day plein-air paiting event hosted by the Bell Tower Cultural Arts Center held in Florence.

21 Boo at the Bridge

Royal Gorge Bridge & Park. 888-333-5597

31 Spooktacular & Trunk or Treat in Cañon City

NOVEMBER

3 First Friday

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00. Music, food, art, and more!

24 Christmas Tree Lighting

Tree at 16th and Main Street, just west of the Welcome to Cañon City Sign.

25 Santa Clause

Downtown Florence

26 Deck the Halls

Macon Plaza

DECEMBER

1 First Friday

The first Friday of every month head down Main Street in Cañon City from 5:00 to 7:00. Music, food, art, and more!

1-30 Holiday Artisan Market

An arts and craft spectacular of hand-made items, at Fremont Center for the Arts, 505 Macon, 719-275-2790 Visit our website for complete information: www.fremontarts.org

2 Parade of Lights

Downtown Cañon City, 719-275-2331

2, 9, 16 Pictures with Santa Clause

At the Chamber, Cañon City

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Calendar of Events 2017





Signature **Annual Events**

79TH ANNUAL MUSIC & **BLOSSOM FESTIVAL** MAY 5-7, 2017

Nothing says authentic America quite like a parade with fire trucks, horseback riders, floats, Shriners on scooters and music music! Cañon City's 78th annual Music and Blossom Festival takes place May 5-7, 2017, and the celebration will once again include high school and middle school marching bands from across the country competing before thousands of onlookers. The arts & crafts fair will be going on simultaneously, and there'll be food vendors, 5K, 5-mile, and half marathon foot races, a rodeo and much more! Visit www.ccblossomfestival.com for more info, email ccblossomfestival@inbox.com or call 719-239-1743.

ROYAL GORGE WHITEWATER FESTIVAL JUNE 23-24, 2017

The fourth weekend in June is wet and wild during the Royal Gorge Whitewater River Festival when thrill & adventure seekers gather on the Arkansas in and near Cañon City for two days of kayak and raft races, paddle board sprints, inner tube races, fly casting contests, triathlon events, disc golf tournament, live music, Fun Zone for kids, lots of food and, yes, beer. For information on the 2017 event, visit www.royalgorgewhitewaterfestival.com. 719-275-1578

PIONEER DAYS SEPTEMBER 15-17, 2017

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. www.florencepioneerdays.com

HARVEST FESTIVAL ON WINERY GROUNDS SEPTEMBER 23-24, 2017

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 & crafts and live music. Call 719-276-5191 for information. www.abbeywinery.com/harvest-fest

Royal Gorge Region 4- Day Itineraries

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

DAY 2

MORNING:

River! Take your family rafting or fishing

LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

· Visit Dinosaur Experience

DINNER/EVENING:

- · Dinner atop 8-Mile Hill
- Royal Gorge Park: Hike Canyon Rim Trail or:
- · Giant Slide at the KOA Fun Country

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 & visit Pioneer Park

DINNER/EVENING:

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

Leisure Itinerary

DAY 1

MORNING:

- · Visit the Prison Museum
- Historic Walking Tour of Cañon City (See pg. 55)

LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- · Lunch in Cañon City
- · Stroll along the Riverwalk Trail
- · Check in and rest up at your hotel

DINNER/EVENING:

• Take the Dinner Train through the Royal Gorge

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

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 (see pg. 55)
- · More shopping downtown, or:
- · Visit the brewery

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
- VIP wine tasting at the Winery at Holy Cross Abbey

DINNER/EVENING:

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

Adventure Itinerary

DAY 1

MORNING:

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

LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- · Lunch in Cañon City
- Go rafting!

DINNER/EVENING:

- · Dinner Main Street Cañon City
- Grab an ice cream cone
- Stroll along Main Street

DAY 2

MORNING:

- Pick up a lunch to-go for later
- Royal Gorge Park: hike/bike Canyon Rim Trail , or:
- Segway tour

LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- · Eat lunch on the trail or:
- Picnic at the Elk Horn Picnic Area
- · Visit the Royal Gorge Bridge
- Try: Skycoaster or Zip Line

DINNER/EVENING:

- Dinner atop 8-Mile Hill
- Drive over Skyline Drive
- View dinosaur trackway
- · Take a sunset hike in the Hogbacks

DAY 3

MORNING:

· Zip Line tour

LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- · Lunch in Cañon City
- Jeep Tour across the region

Dinner/Evening:

- Dinner in downtown Florence
- Antiquing and shopping in Florence

DAY 4

MORNING:

- Mountain bike tour, or:
- Try fly-fishing

LUNCH/AFTERNOON:

- · Lunch in Cañon City
- Heli Tour
- Visit Dinosaur Experience
- Master the Dino Ropes Course

DINNER/EVENING:

- Dinner on 8-Mile Hill or in Cañon City
- Enjoy your trip home; come back soon!



Arts & Culture

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.

LIVE THEATER

Musical and theater offerings span the palette – from lavish stage productions presented by the Fremont Civic Theatre to solo and ensemble chamber recitals at the Fremont Center for the Arts and summerlong outdoor pop/jazz/bluegrass/eclectic musical performances in the park. In Florence, the Bell Tower presents varied concerts monthly. The historic Rialto Theater plans to re-open in 2017.

FESTIVALS

Summer activities and festivals keep the pace lively in Fremont County. The annual early-May Music and Blossom Festival in Cañon City draws junior and high school marching bands from across the nation to a spectacular competition. A huge arts and crafts fair also takes place over the weekend.

Florence celebrates its Pioneer Days in September with an equally ambitious parade that features an in-character 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 one-day event.

FREMONT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Fremont Community Foundation sponsors a number of major event fundraisers each year, and all the money that is raised is given away at the end of the year to other non-profit agencies within Fremont County. Since the inception of the Fremont Community Foundation, more than \$157,000 has been given away to local non-profit groups, humanitarian causes and area organizations.

PUBLIC ART

Public art in the Royal Gorge Region is on display in downtown Cañon City. Macon Plaza, the pedestrianonly area on Macon Street between Fifth and Sixth Streets in front of the Fremont Center for the Arts includes a Sculpture Garden across from the newly restored Carnegie Library. Along Main Street you'll find over a dozen changing displays. The Florence Art Council has purchased and placed art throughout the downtown.

PRESERVATION AND ANTIQUES

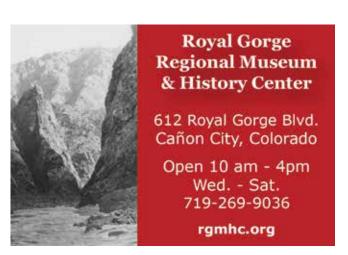
Civic leaders in both Cañon City and Florence are dedicated to preserving the cultural past of their towns, and architectural gems are lovingly restored and maintained. Florence, the Antique Capital of Colorado, has more than a dozen antique stores lining its streets. Local and regional fine artists, jewelry makers, artisans and craftsmen also display in the antique shops, galleries, and in events held throughout the summer months.

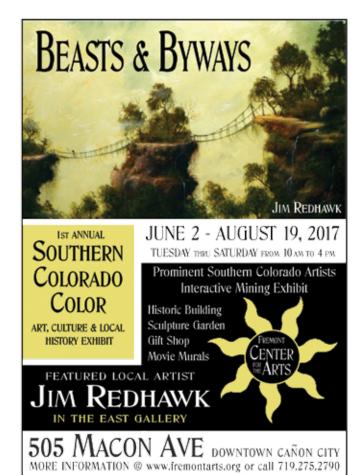
MUSEUMS AND HISTORICAL SITES

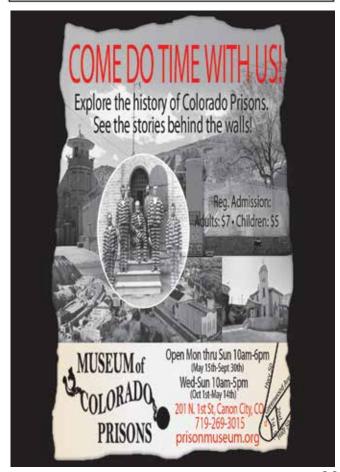
With a history as richly woven as Fremont County's, it's no wonder the Region serves up parts of its past in a variety of museums. The area's museums are a wonderful glimpse into the rich history of the region.

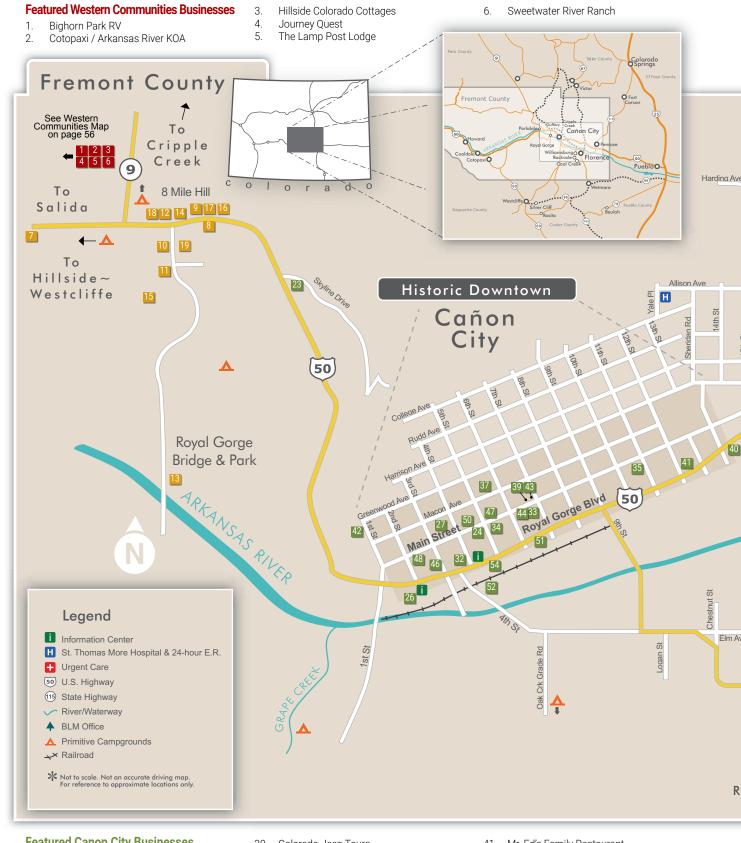
FREMONT CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Visit the 1st Annual, Southern Colorado Color - Art, Culture & Local History Exhibit at Fremont Center for the Arts from June 2 - August 19, 2017. "Beasts & Byways," featuring local artist Jim Redhawk in the East Gallery. The lower level Studio Gallery will host an Interactive Mining Exhibit with hands-on activities for kids and adults. During the Southern Colorado Color Summer Exhibit, FCA plans to host two freeadmission Craft Fairs featuring Southern Colorado and Regional Artisans as well as live entertainment: June 16-17 highlights Native American Culture; July 21-22 highlights Western Culture. Both fairs take place on Friday-Saturday, from 9 am to 5 pm at Macon Plaza in downtown Canon City. Join FCA on Facebook and check www.fremontarts.org for updates and information. Visit FCA year round for rotating regional fine art exhibits.









Featured Canon City Businesses

- 20. The Abbey
- America's Best Value Inn
- A Raft Masters Adventure
- 23. Arkansas River Tours
- Aspen Meadows Handcrafted Soaps 24.
- 25. **Budget Host**
- 26. Cañon City Farmers' Market
- 27. Cañon City Mugs
- 28. Chuck's Seasoned Grill
- 29. Cold Stone Creamery

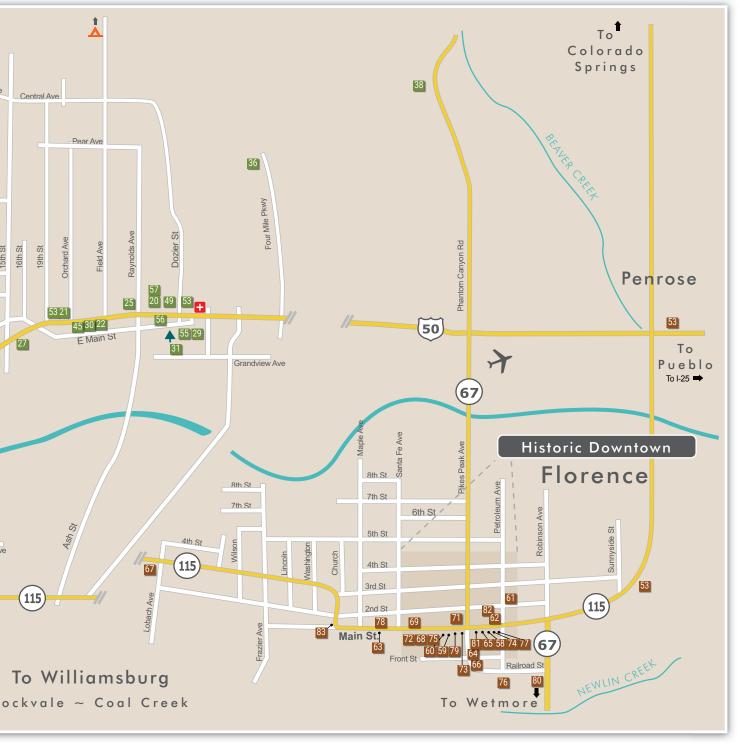
- Colorado Jeep Tours
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- 40. Lost Paddle Rafting

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- 49. Quality Inn & Suites
- Royal Gorge Brewing Company
- Royal Gorge Regional Museum & History Center

Featured 8 Mile Hill Businesses

- 7. American Adventure Expeditions
- 8. Clear Creek Rafting
- 9. Echo Canyon River Expeditions
- 10. iLean Ride Co.

- 11. Performance Tours
- 12. River Runners
- 13. Royal Gorge Bridge & Park
- Royal Gorge Dinosaur Experience 14.
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Downtown Cañon City





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.

An ideal mix of historic and modern, Main Street Cañon City unveils pieces of our town's mid-1800s founding through shops and restaurants situated in National Historical Register buildings.

Shop, enjoy lunch, browse boutiques, and take in galleries and public art. Stop to marvel at turn-of-thecentury details and craftsmanship in the amethyst glass skylights along the sidewalk at Fourth Street and Main. Or view remnants of below-ground shops that were part of the late 1800s' McClure House/ Strathmore Hotel, believed to be the oldest building in Colorado continuously used as a hotel.

Local dining options run the gamut from epicurean to mom's home-cooking. Linger over coffee and pastries, indulge in authentic Mexican, or treat yourself to Italian and family-friendly burger mastery. Nosh on pizza with a side of entertainment. Laugh over wings and beer and a fierce game of 8-ball. Or kick back and take in the relaxed surroundings as you sample homemade fare and chat up the locals.

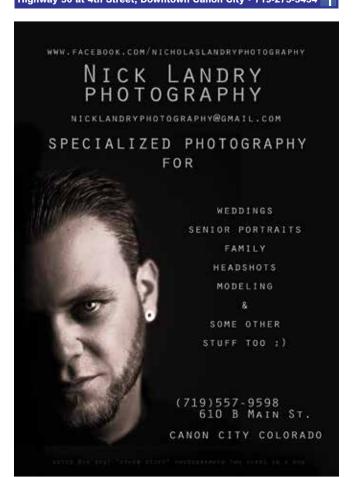
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For the ultimate in relaxation, visit one of our many salons, day spas and massage therapy studios. And, of course, get in your cultural fix at the galleries along Main and Macon. Stroll public art displays and view intriguing sculpted works like John Alderman's cougar and Bobbie Carlyle's two young girls and an ethereal angel.

Burn off some energy at one of Cañon City's parks. Downtown, check out Centennial Park adjacent to the river. Or make some laps at the nearby pump track.











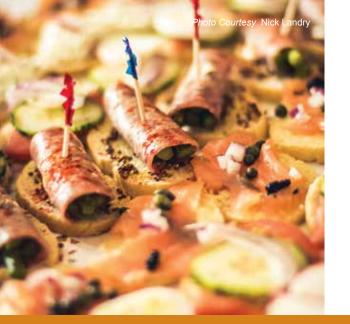






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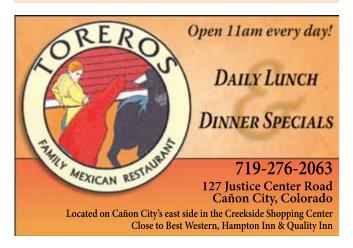
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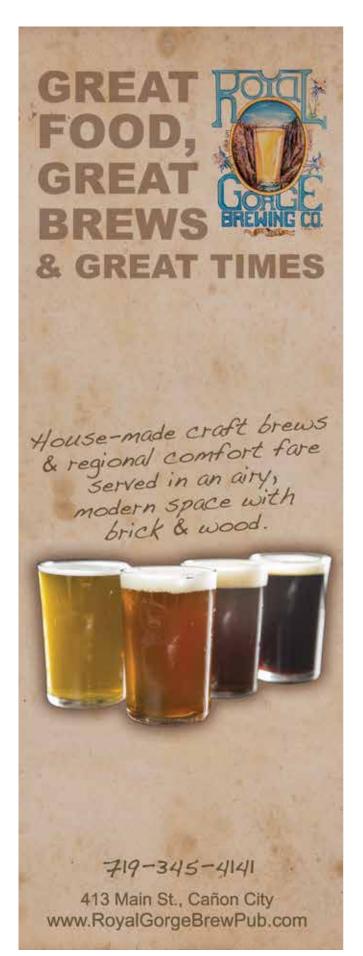
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Dining







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Aspen Leaf Bakery & Cafe • 113 Main Street Florence • (719) 784-3834		B, L		•	•			•	•		Su-M 11a-3p Tu-Th 8a-4p Fr-Sa 8a-5p		Quiche, Biscuits & Gravy, Burritos, Pastries, Soup & Sandwiches		
Cafe 1230 • Located in Visitors Center at Royal Gorge Bridge & Park • (719) 275-7507	American	L, D	•		•		•		•		Open Daily 10a Closing hours vary		Food with a view		
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Mr. Ed's • 1201 Royal Gorge Boulevard Cañon City • (719) 275-7022	American	B, L, D		•	•			•			M-Tu: 6a-2p W-Su: 6a-8p		American		
Oak Creek Grill and Tavern 114 East Main St., Florence • (719) 784-1999	Southwest/ American	B, L, D	*	•	•		•		•	•	open daily 11a -close Breakfast on Saturdays at 9am		Family-friendly restaurant and tavern serving Southwest flavor or American favorites.		
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Pizza Madness • 509 Main St. Cañon City • (719) 276-3088 ፟፟፟	Italian	L, D	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		Su-Th: 11a-9p F-Sa: 11a-9:30p		Handmade Pizza, Sandwiches, Salads, Pasta		
The Restaurant at Quality Inn & Suites • Cañon City • (719) 275-8676	American	D	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	4pm-9pm		Full service catering for parties of up to 200		
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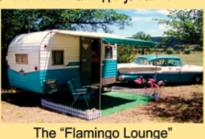


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Budget Host Royal Gorge Inn • 217 N. Reynolds Ave., Cañon City • (719) 269-1100	36	٠	•			•	•	*	*	•	•	•		•	
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BLM Sand Gulch Campground • Red Canyon Road / CR 9, Cañon City		•		•	•	•		12.5 miles north of Cañon City. Near Shelf Road.
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Oak Creek Campground • Oak Creek Grade Road, Cañon City	•	•		•	•	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		•		•	•	•		Open year-round. Updated Sites.
Red Canyon Park • Red Canyon Road / CR 9, Cañon City	•	٠						10.5 miles north of Cañon City. Pavillions with picnic tables and fire pits.
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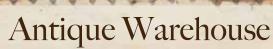
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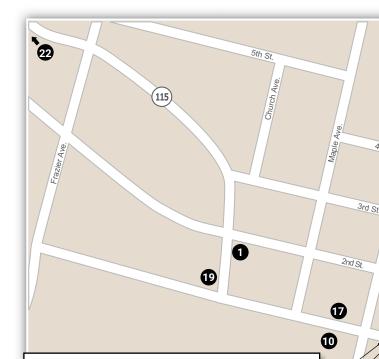
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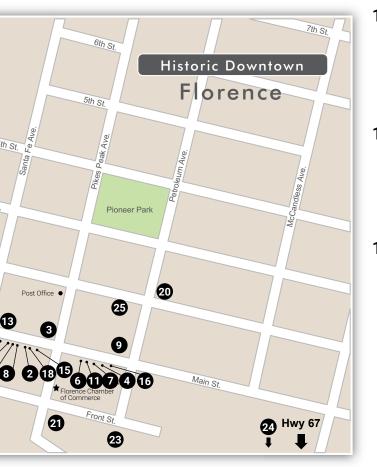
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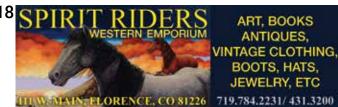
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These and other tours are available to be downloaded at www.fremontheritage.com or found in racks at Chamber of Commerce and Museums throughout Fremont County. The items below are just a small portion of what is contained in the full tours.

TOUR CAÑON CITY

Allow about three hours for the full Cañon City Self-Guided Heritage Tour.

Here is a preview of what you will discover on this tour:

- Deputy Warden's House, 105 Main
- Cañon City State Armory, 110 Main Street
- Clock Tower, Fremont County 1881 Courthouse Southwest Corner of Main & Third Streets
- Murray's Saloon, 305 Main Street
- Moose Lodge Building, 306-308 Main Street
- Taggart Building, 320 Main Street

TOUR FLORENCE

Allow about two hours for the full Florence self-guided tour.

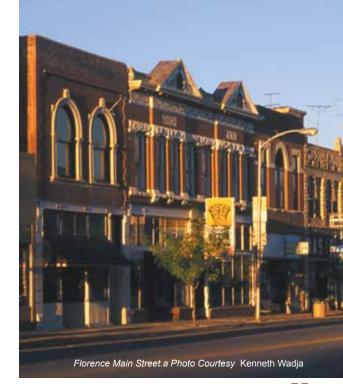
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- Lill's Garden 2013 127-31 E. Main
- Town Hall 1892 119 W. Main
- Florence Post Office 1936 121 N. Pikes Peak
- Carnegie Library 1919 100 W. Second
- McCandless Mansion 1889 120 N. Pikes Peak
- Fox and White House 1897 115 E. Second

These free Self-Guided Heritage Tours are a part of a series by the Fremont County Heritage Commission and Fremont County Tourism Council, with support of a grant from the Colorado Tourism Office to convey the County's rich history and encourage heritage tourism. The Fremont County Historical Society, a 501 (c) 3 non-profit educational organization, is also a partner in this effort. Questions, comments and suggestions are welcome and may be conveyed to info@fremontheritage.com



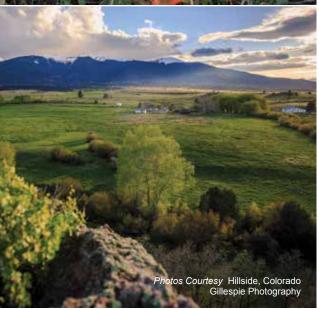






Communities West





Western Fremont County

PARKDALE

Parkdale's prime location on the Arkansas River and near the Royal Gorge makes it a popular base camp for visitors. The area is the gateway to whitewater rafting and Bighorn Sheep Canyon.

BIGHORN SHEEP CANYON

Long known as a gateway into the Rockies, Highway 50 (once known as the Rainbow Route) runs west through the towering rock walls of the Arkansas River Canyon. This beautiful canyon is dubbed "Bighorn Canyon" and hosts a thriving population of Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep, Colorado's state animal. These majestic animals are often seen on both sides of the river throughout the canyon. The Arkansas River Headwaters Recreation Area is a Colorado State Park running through the Bighorn Sheep Canyon with several recreational sites. These sites host restrooms, river access for rafting, fishing, picnicking, wildlife observation, camping, and interpretative signs of the area. (cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/Parks/ ArkansasHeadwatersRecreationArea)

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COTOPAXI

This quaint community was once a railroad stop and well known for the Russian Jewish Agricultural Colony that settled here in 1882. A small fenced section of Russian Jewish graves remains in the cemetery behind the Cotopaxi School (Est. 1870s).

HILLSIDE

Roughly 100 people call Hillside home. It is situated between Westcliffe and Cotopaxi; a tight-knit farming community that has never had a mayor, town hall or city council.



COALDALE

A bustling mining town and popular touring stop for opera stars in the late 1800's, Coaldale is surrounded by towering peaks and is known for its secluded camping opportunities. Head south on Hayden Creek Road to see some of the last remaining charcoal kilns in Colorado. Charcoal production was a major industry in the early 1900s, producing charcoal for area smelters and railroads.

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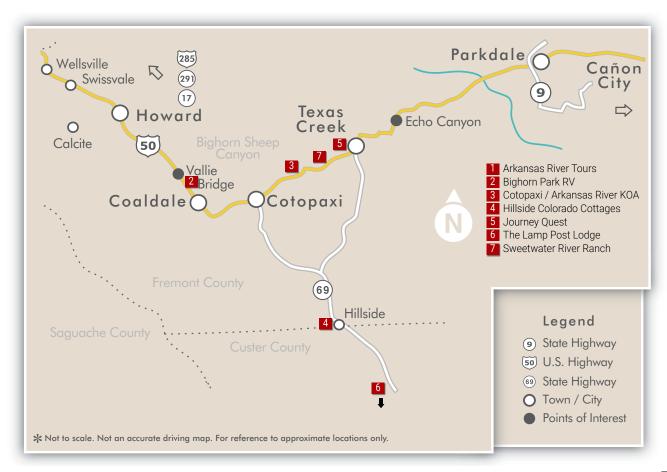
A river access and camping area is also the start of the Pathway into History interpretive drive with signs explaining the history of the area.

HOWARD

The Arkansas River runs through this pleasant valley community, drawing rafters, kayakers, and fishermen. The beautiful forested area features horseback riding, hiking, and ATV tours. The Old Howard Church constructed in 1898 sits on the original location of the Howard town site, about a mile off of Highway 50, facing the Sangre de Cristo Mountains and the Twin Sisters peaks, named by one of the original homesteaders. Self-guided tours of the area are available at the church.









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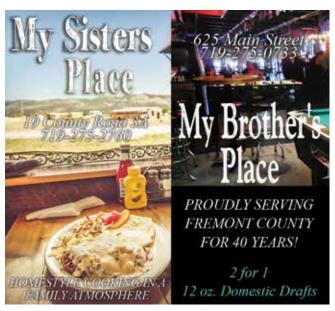
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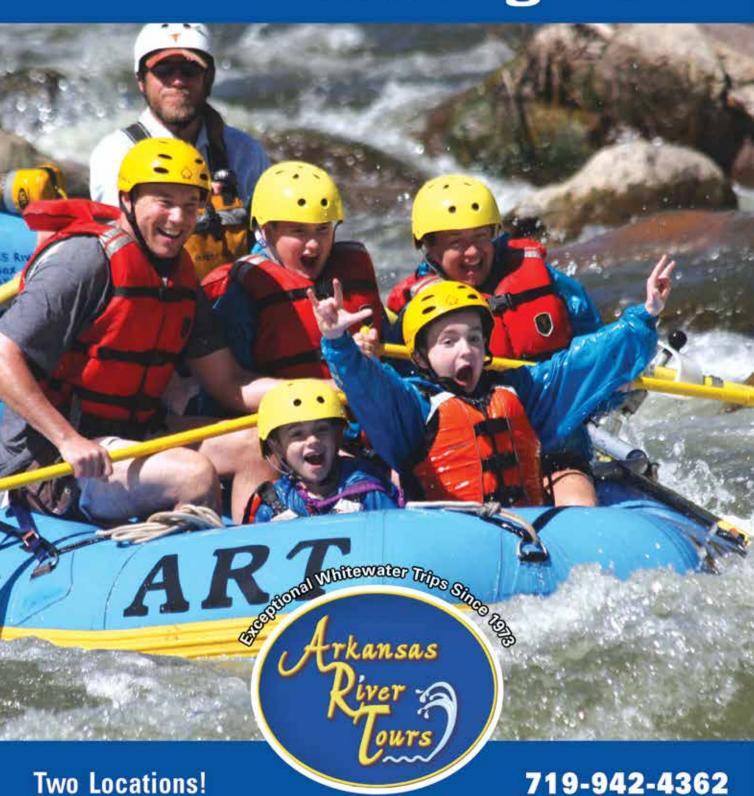


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