



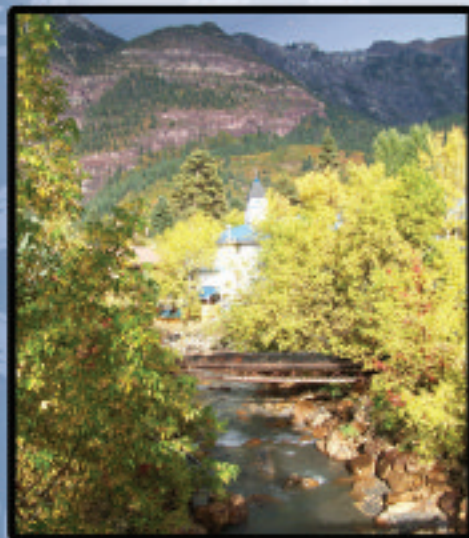
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“Welcome to Ouray” rings through the lobby of the Ouray Visitor Center throughout the year. Undoubtedly the most cheerful and hospitable staff and volunteers in the state, we work tirelessly to provide the best information about what to see and do in Ouray. Whether you are planning your vacation, buying the lucky Jeep Raffle ticket, looking for the perfect gift or souvenir, or just sharing your joy in our city, you will find a friendly voice or smile waiting for you. Our goal is to help you discover your next great adventure and experience all that Ouray has to offer. Stop in and say hello, we can’t wait to meet you!

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Welcome to Ouray



MARK JOHNSON

A Welcome from The Mayor

Dear Visitors,

I am sure you will find the Ouray community warm, welcoming and a delight for the eyes and soul. There are many opportunities to enjoy here: the spectacular scenery, the soothing hot springs pool, the delicious food, the array of shops, the challenging ice park, the invigorating Perimeter Trail, the waterfalls, the quiet accommodations and much more. Each of these opportunities awaits you. These and many others are further detailed in this guide.

The Ouray Chamber Resort Association is available to direct you to shops, companies and individuals who can assist you in planning a special event or in providing direction for those activities in which you are interested. The Ouray City government provides the infrastructure for the community and can provide community information both from City Hall and the City website. Please visit.

The Ouray City Council on behalf of the entire community welcomes you and hopes your stay is enjoyable and that you will return again and again.

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Pam Larson

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Ouray, Colorado is located near the Four Corners – where Utah, Arizona, New Mexico and Colorado converge. Ouray is found on U.S. Highway 550 in southwestern Colorado along the San Juan Skyway Scenic and Historic Byway, one of America's most beautiful drives. The incredibly scenic Red Mountain Pass connects Ouray to Silverton and Durango to the south, while the drive through Ridgway to the north and west laces past the Mount Sneffels Wilderness Area and into the lovely towns of Telluride, Rico, Dolores and Mancos. Ouray has perfect weather, charm and beauty. With nearly 285 days of sunshine a year and moderate year-round temperatures, this authentic Victorian town epitomizes the genuine Mountain West.



Ouray's intimate downtown – a designated National Historic District – is nestled in a canyon at the base of the San Juan Mountains and offers some of the most panoramic views in the United States, earning it the nickname "Switzerland of America." Natural wonders like waterfalls, sulfur-free hot springs, mountain peaks and wildlife abound in the area, as do historic ghost towns, museums, beautifully-preserved Victorian-era architecture, and year-round cultural events. Ouray also offers some of the most adventurous outdoor activities, winter or summer, including hundreds of miles of historic OHV trails, the world-famous Ouray Ice Park, and close to 100 hiking trails. We warmly welcome you and encourage you to use this guide to help map out your Ouray, Colorado vacation.

Facts & Figures:

Geography & Location

Latitude: 38.022778
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Elevation: 7,792 feet
Mountain Standard Time Zone

Population: 1,000

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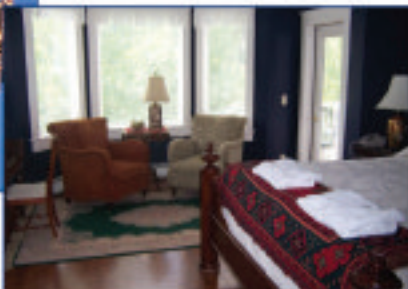
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Year-round

Historic Tours & Museums
Live Music
Movie Nights
Live Theater Performances
Visual & Performing Arts Workshops
Dance & Fitness Classes
Fly-fishing & Sport Demonstrations
Gallery Openings
Poetry Readings
Ridgway Moonwalks

Spring: March - May

San Juan Half Loop
Backcountry Nordic Race
Wine & Whiskers Benefit for
Second Chance Humane Society
Elks Easter Egg Hunt
Ouray County Fork Fest
Love Your Valley Festival
Historic Railroad Hikes
Historic Mine Tours
Ridgway Area Trails Festival
Compassion 5K Run/Walk

Summer: June - August

Evenings of History Lectures
Ridgway State Park
Environmental Lecture Series
Movie Nights at the State Park
Huck Finn Fishing Days

Ouray Mountain Air Music Series
Trail Town 10-Miler
Wright Opera House
Singer-Songwriter Series
Ouray Women's Club Rummage Sale
Annual Amateur Sculpture Competition
Farmers' Markets
Compassion Weekend
Ouray Elks Club
Wednesday Night Bingo
Ridgway Music in the Park Series
Monday Night Melodramas
Old-Fashioned
Fourth of July Celebration
Ourayce 10K Run
Ouray Fire Department Fireman's Ball
San Juan Memories
Photography Exhibition
Ouray Library Book Sale
Hardrock 100 Trail Run
San Juan Huts 200 Mountain Bike Race
Annual Quilt Show
Artists' Alpine Holiday
Ridgway Rendezvous
Arts & Crafts Festival
Ridgway River Festival
San Juan Chamber Musicfest
Ouray 100 Trail Run
Vignettes of History
Theatrical Performances
Mt. Sneffels Education Foundation

Marathon & Half-Marathon Run/Walk
Rendezvous International for Canyoning
Mountain Air Brew & Music Fest
Highgraders Holidays
Mining Competitions

Fall: September - November

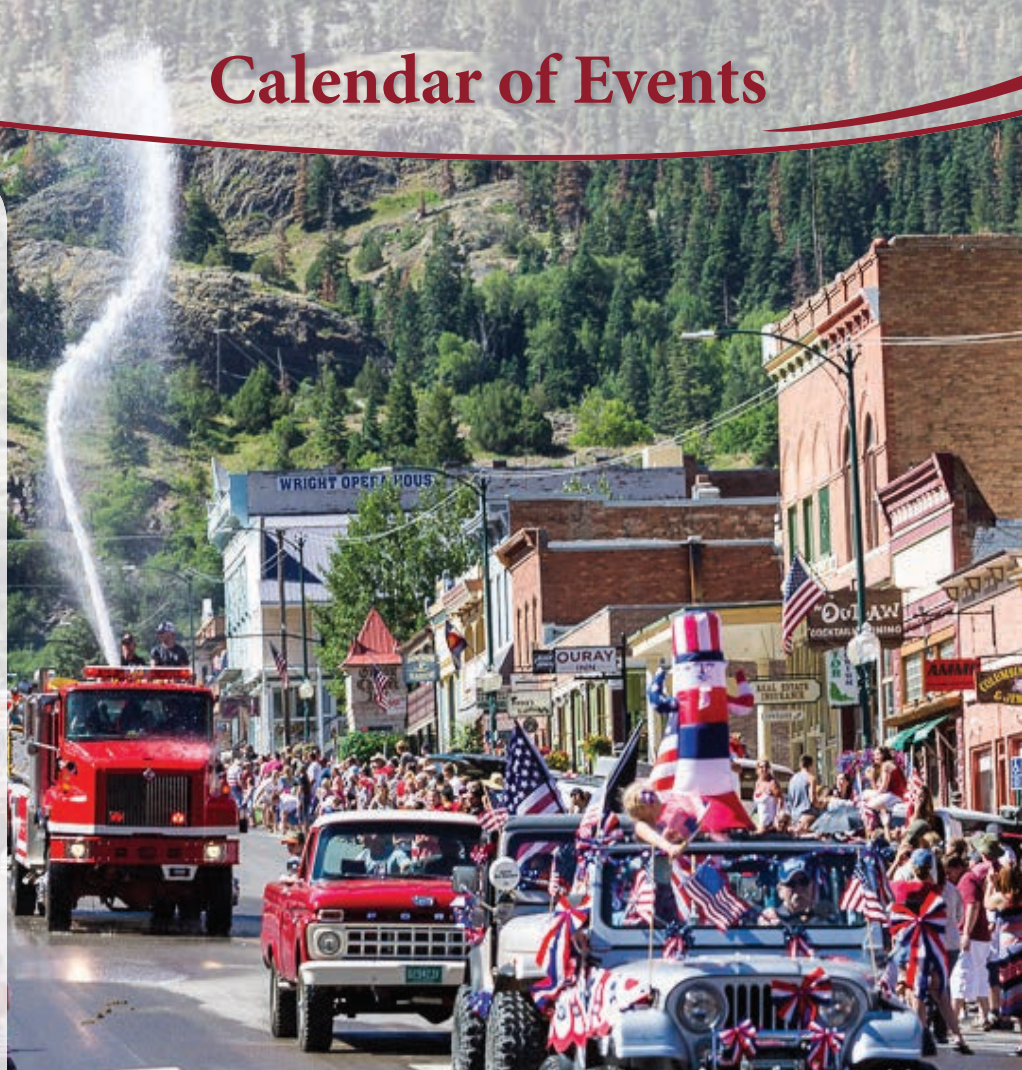
Ouray County 4-H Fair & Rodeo
Ridgway Ranch Rodeo
Imogene Pass Run
Ouray County Railroad Days
Sneffels Fiber Festival
Jeep Jamboree
Quilter's Tea & Annual Quilt Raffle
Ouray Mountain Trail Run
Fall Photography Workshops
51st Annual Jeep Raffle Drawing
Ouray Oktoberfest
Plein Air Painting Outings
Rhythm Run 10k/5k
Rocky Horror Picture Show
Halloween Haunted Houses & Balls
Main Street Trick or Treat
Local Harvest Dinners
Friends of the Library
Luncheon and Fashion Show
Ouray County Nordic Council Banquet
Ouray Elks Club Veteran's
Dinner and Turkey Bingo
Non-profit Holiday Bazaar

Calendar of Events

Winter:

December - February

Ouray Winter Fest
 Wine, Chocolate and Cheese Fest
 Santa & Mrs. Claus at the Elks
 Santa Paws Fundraiser
 Wright Opera House Holiday Concert
 Fly-tying Workshops
 Ouray County Players
 Holiday Live Radio Show
 Ice Skating & Broomball at Rotary Park
 New Year's Eve Celebrations and Fireworks
 21st Ouray Ice Festival
 Nordic Ski Days with the
 Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership
 MountainFilm Festival
 Kid's Climbing College
 Chicks with Picks Women's
 Ice Climbing Clinics & Auction
 Ouray County Arts Association
 Winter Arts & Crafts Show
 Mt. Sneffels Education Foundation
 Trivia Bowl
 Ouray Elks Chili Cookoff
 FemFest Women's Ice Climbing Festival
 Paradox Sports Ice Climbing Clinics
 Mt. Sneffels Education Foundation Auction



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The Switzerland of America

The mountains and canyons surrounding Ouray are filled with some of the West's most unforgettable scenery. The following pages feature year-round activities for our area, and maps of the region, the city and a dozen memorable day-trips to Southwest Colorado's most scenic destinations. Heritage activities abound along the back roads and Scenic Byways: you can see vistas where old Hollywood westerns were filmed and explore high country ghost towns that were once booming mining cities.

In our scenic mountains, four-wheel-drive adventures are the height of Ouray's driving experiences; we are, after all, known as "The Jeeping Capital of the World." Ouray's Jeep roads, carved from historic wagon trails, traverse a variety of terrain from extreme high mountain passes and rugged winding roads to wide, flower-filled meadows and pastoral valleys.

Centrally located in Southwestern Colorado, Ouray is the perfect basecamp for your explorations. Whether you choose to discover the peaks and valleys of the San Juan Mountains, wander through ancient Native American ruins, visit national parks or ride on a historic steam train, Ouray is a perfect point of departure for daily adventures. Ouray offers diverse lodging including unique hotels, charming bed & breakfasts, comfortable vacation rentals, and public and private campgrounds. You will find the perfect place to rest and rejuvenate after the day's travels.

Don't forget to ask a local for their favorite secret spots, pack your camera and a picnic lunch, and always leave with a full tank of gas. You never know where your journey may take you!



KANE SCHEIDEGGER

Year-Round Adventures in Ouray

Ouray sits in a beautiful box canyon, surrounded by 13,000-foot peaks, and is home to countless natural wonders including the spectacular Box Cañon Falls Park, the world famous Ouray Ice Park, sulfur-free Ouray Hot Springs Pool, the Amphitheater, Cascade Falls and Twin Falls, Red Mountains 1, 2 and 3, Mount Sneffels (our local 14,000-foot peak), the Cimarron Range and more. Within a short drive or walk from town you will find dozens of four-wheel-drive roads and hiking trails that lead to wide open basins carpeted with wildflowers of every color in the summer, colorful leaves in the fall, and sun-filled snowy meadows in the winter and early spring.

What makes Ouray truly one-of-a-kind is its personality. Coupled with the majestic mountains and charming Victorian streets, the

spirit of the Old West abounds in town and Ouray's residents keep it alive through their friendliness, hospitality, and genuine nature. This historic energy reverberates along the valley's walls and makes simple things like hiking the Perimeter Trail, listening to live music in the park, strolling through the eclectic shops along Main Street or grabbing a bite at one of the fantastic, locally-owned restaurants especially memorable.

Our breathtaking landscape and relaxed attitude also lets you craft your perfect adventure. You may decide to relax, stroll the historic streets and shop for unique finds, visit the deer in the park, or soak up the stars in the hot springs at night. Maybe you decide to cross ice climbing off your bucket list, go rafting on our wild waters, canyoning over a rushing waterfall, or rent a Jeep to four-wheel it up into some of the highest, most spectacular scenery of the Rocky Mountains.

Ouray Claims to Fame

- Alpine Loop
- Amphitheater
- Birding & Wildlife
- Box Cañon Falls Park
- Cascade Falls & Twin Falls
- Filming location for the original "True Grit"
- Home of the rare Black Swift Bird
- Home of MacGyver's Grandfather Harry
- Hometown of baseball pitcher Smoky Joe Wood
- Inspiration for Galt's Gulch in Ayn Rand's Atlas Shrugged
- Jeeping Capital of the World
- Million Dollar Highway
- Namesake of Great Indian Chief
- National Historic District
- Ouray Ice Park
- Sulfur-free Ouray Hot Springs Pool
- San Juan Skyway Historic & Scenic Byway
- Switzerland of America
- Tree City, USA

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For centuries, visitors to the area have sought the healing and rejuvenating powers of the natural hot springs that flow through the hard rock. First opened in 1927, the Ouray Hot Springs Pool contains over a million gallons of crystal clear natural hot springs water, free from the strong smell of sulfur typical of most hot springs.

The pool is filled with healing minerals long believed to enhance general health. In addition to several soaking sections at temperatures ranging from 80 to 106 degrees, the pool has a lap swimming section, a shallow section for younger children and a game area for water

volleyball. Extend this therapeutic treatment by making an appointment at the pool's massage facility. If you're missing your fitness routine, a nominal fee gives you access to the 1,800 square foot fitness center on the second floor.

The Ouray area boasts six developed hot springs. Three of these: the Ouray Hot Springs Pool, the vapor caves and outdoor pool at the Wiesbaden Hot Springs Spa & Lodgings and the naturally landscaped pools at Orvis Hot Springs in Ridgway are open to the public; the other three at the Twin Peaks Lodge, and Hot Springs, Box Canyon Lodge, and Chipeta Solar Springs Resort are open to guests of the hotels.

In the summer, the beautiful weather and nearby parks offer family fun, free concerts and plenty of opportunities to play and soak up the sun, especially on the obstacle courses and slides at the Ouray Hot Springs Pool. But fall and winter are probably the most magical times to visit the local hot springs. There is nothing quite like soaking in the healing waters under a star-filled sky while snowflakes fall on your nose.

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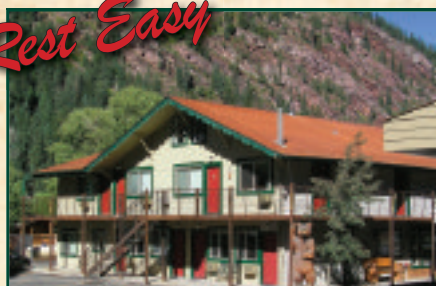
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Arts & Culture

Ouray County has a rich, year-round cultural scene and our ongoing calendar of events is sure to stimulate your mind, touch your heart and excite your senses. In addition to a wide variety of art galleries in Ouray and Ridgway, which is also a Colorado Designated Creative District, there are numerous art and craft shows, live performances, historic programs, concerts, and radio shows throughout the year. In the summer you can catch festivals in our beautiful town parks and intimate performances at small venues and businesses all year long.

Artists' Alpine Holiday

This August will mark the 55th year of the oldest juried show in Colorado, sponsored by the Ouray County Arts Association. During the weeklong show, local, national and international artists are exhibited and juried at the Ouray Community Center. Artists take to the streets during the Paint-Out on Main Street and then later put their new works up for bid at the show's auction.

Ridgway Rendezvous

Artisans from the Front Range and parts of New Mexico, Utah and Arizona gather in Ridgway in mid-August to exhibit and sell their one-of-a-kind creations. The Rendezvous is an annual juried show with a commitment to the finest quality art and craft items. Weehawken Creative Arts, the show's hosting organization, also offers live musical entertainment and family-friendly activities during the event.

Ridgway Moonwalk

Each month, the Ridgway Creative District, Weehawken Creative Arts and the Town of Ridgway present the Ridgway MoonWalk, Art Outings at the Full Moon. A different neighborhood and its creative people and businesses will be featured in each MoonWalk. Explore Ridgway's hidden secrets and join amazing talent and people coming together to cultivate creative community.

Mountain Air Music Series

The Mountain Air Music Series is a free series that brings national acts to Ouray's spectacular Fellin Park on Thursday nights in June, on the Fourth of July and at the Mountain Air Brew & Music Fest in August. There is nothing quite like the experience of dancing in the park in the warm light of the Alpenglow on the Amphitheater peaks.

Wright Opera House Singer-Songwriter Series

The Wright Opera House Singer-Songwriter Series showcases talented singer-songwriters from across the nation in the intimate theater of this historic entertainment building in Ouray. Thanks to the efforts of a group of local art patrons and volunteers, the newly renovated Wright Opera House is once again the center of Ouray's cultural landscape.

San Juan Chamber Music Festival

Every year, the Ouray County Performing Arts Guild organizes a chamber

music festival under the artistic direction of world renowned concert pianist Max Levinson. The festival features evening concerts in Ouray and Ridgway plus a Salon and Master Class for students. OCPAG also sponsors a series of musical salons and classical and world music concerts throughout the year.

Wine, Chocolate & Cheese Fest

The Wine, Chocolate & Cheese Fest happens annually in December to kick off the holiday season and features small, local makers and producers of fine wine, chocolates, cheese and arts and crafts. This event benefits a new local nonprofit each year.

Little Free Library

The City of Ouray is now home to three Little Free Library boxes. According to Littlefreelibrary.org, "a Little Free Library is a box full of books where anyone may stop by and pick up a book (or two) and bring back another book to share." Because these library boxes are available in outdoor locations, they are not restricted to specific hours of operation.

The three boxes are located at the following sites around the City of Ouray:

- 6th Avenue
(private residence across from the Ouray Public Library)
- 735 Main Street
(Wildflower Boutique)
- 1230 Main Street
(Ouray Visitor's Center)

Activities & Adventure



JOE SKALSKY

A Treasure Trove of Family Fun

Children love to explore the world around them; they simply love being outside and being entertained by the natural world. From rocks that sparkle, aspen trees with eyes, ghost towns to explore, and where all temperatures of water can be found, Ouray is full of out-of-the-ordinary adventures for kids.

Ouray is a wonderful, safe community that welcomes kids and their need for adventure. Whether it is winter or summer, Ouray is a great place to have a family vacation without breaking the bank. The town offers many reasonably-priced accommodations and is full of kid-friendly restaurants, retail stores and activities.

Never bored, your kids will be busy with activities around the city and in the surrounding mountains, lakes and parks. They will thrill riding the old mining roads on a tour or in a Jeep or 4x4 vehicle. Their imaginations will bloom with stories about the ghost towns they explored, especially when

paired with a visit to one of Ouray's kid-friendly museums or mine tours. Their heartbeats will accelerate as they climb a wall of rock or ice, or descend into a canyon via a waterfall. Hiking or horseback riding to the high peaks will give them a bird's eye view of the city and the surrounding mountains. Enjoy a free concert in the park with special activities to keep the little ones entertained, or just listen to the music while you challenge each other on the obstacle course at the Ouray Hot Springs Pool. In the colder months your family will create lasting memories while building snowmen, practicing spins at the Rotary Park Ice Rink, reheating with some hot chocolate and then heading out for sled races on Vinegar Hill in town.

Enjoy simple and free adventures like wildlife viewing; kids love the deer that walk right down Ouray's Main Street, and at the right time of year they can see elk and bighorn sheep just outside of town. Ouray is host to a great number of fascinating native critters, including porcupines, bobcats, rare black swift birds, chipmunks, bear, and the ever popular marmots and pika

in the high country. The luckiest eyes can even spot moose on the mountain slopes and willow groves.

Give each child a disposable camera and let them be your family photo-journalist for the weekend, you may be surprised what their eyes pick up. Stop by or contact the Ouray Visitor's Center for great seasonal activity suggestions and free local events that your family can attend, or plan your own itinerary with help from one of our local outfitters (local business information starts on page 47).

Ouray is a wonderful, safe community that welcomes kids and their need for adventure.

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Liquid Bliss

Cradled by an amphitheater on the east, the majesty of Mt. Abrams and Red Mountain Pass to the south and Box Cañon Falls to the west, Ouray has many watery treasures. Sparkling rivers, glittering streams and shimmering alpine lakes wink at you as soon as you arrive in Ouray and beckon you to play. Most every trail or Jeep road you follow will lead you to a crystal clear body of water, and waterfalls abound almost everywhere you look during the snowmelt season in June.



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Blue Ribbon Waters

The Uncompahgre River is the heart and soul of Ouray. Its water, fed by all of the surrounding alpine waterfalls and creeks, courses through the middle of town as it makes its way through Ridgway and Montrose north to the confluence with the Gunnison River near Delta.

Ouray is centrally located within one hour of six major trout streams and rivers, which boast clean waters, feisty fish, and draw out the fisherman in everyone. There are secluded alpine lakes and streams full of stocked and native trout for the fisherman who likes an adventure and easily accessible sport waters along the Uncompahgre River corridor. The reservoir and catch-and-release waters in Ridgway State Park offer fishing opportunities for the whole family, including free fishing for kids during Huck Finn days in the summer. If you have never tried fishing during your winter vacation, we encourage you to give it a try. There's nothing quite like having the whole river to yourself on a crisp, cloudless winter day.

Set aside some time to play in our beautiful waters; our local guides are

always ready to show you their favorite secret falls and fishing holes and always have the best tips on water levels and hatches (local business information starts on page 47).

Regional Watery Highlights

- Animas River
- Bear Creek Falls
- Black Canyon of the Gunnison
- Blue Lakes
- Blue Mesa Reservoir
- Box Cañon Waterfall Park
- Bridal Veil Falls
- Canyon Creek
- Cascade Creek & Waterfalls
- Cimarron River
- Crystal Lake
- Dallas Creek
- Dolores River
- Gunnison River
- Ice Lakes
- Portland Creek
- Ridgway State Park Reservoir
- San Juan River
- San Miguel River
- Silver Jack Reservoir
- Twin Falls
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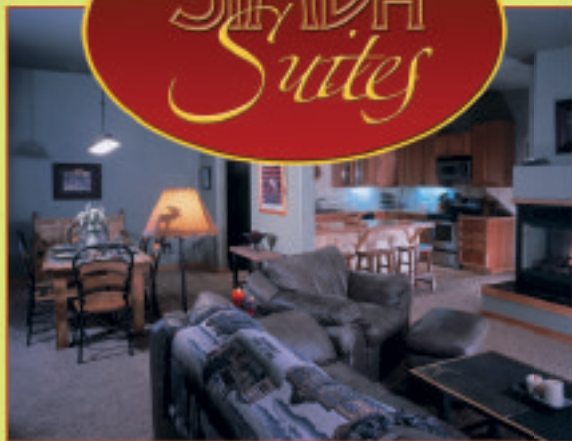
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ERIC FUNK

Ironton

9 miles south of Ouray. Ironton is no longer a town, but a ghost of a mining boom town that died in the 20s and 40s. The last resident left in the 1960s and now visitors enjoy exploring the remnants of this once-thriving mining district. Ironton is also the entrance to the Corkscrew Gulch four-wheel drive road.



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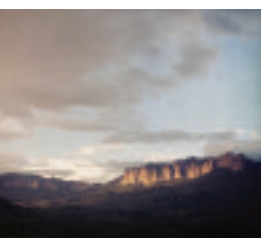
10 miles north of Ouray. Ridgway, Colorado is the only other incorporated town in Ouray County. It offers a Designated Creative District, monthly full moon cultural events, golf atop Log Hill Mesa, the Ridgway State Park and Reservoir, the Ridgway Railroad Museum, diverse eateries and fantastic mountain biking trails. Ridgway encourages you to "Think Outside!"



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Silverton

24 miles south of Ouray. Head over Red Mountain Pass to reach the historic town of Silverton where you will find lovely shops, restaurants, a historic train depot, and one of the best extreme ski areas in the country. Founded in 1875, the town is currently home to around 500 residents.



OCRA

Cimarron Range / Owl Creek Pass

27 miles northeast of Ouray. Considered one of the most scenic drives in the U.S.A., this pass travels through unique mountains, historic sites and great opportunities for wildlife viewing and fishing. Use County road 10, 13 miles north of Ouray. This route, laced with stands of aspen, is especially beautiful in the fall.



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Telluride

50 miles west of Ouray. A National Historic District, Telluride is charming and serves up a world-class ski resort, a free summer gondola, festivals galore and some of the best dining in the West. Mountain Village is worth a stop for golf and spa treatments. Hiking and biking trails are abundant.

Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park

50 miles northeast of Ouray. It took the Gunnison River several million years to cut this incredibly sheer-walled canyon out of the beautiful stone of the plateau, and it was worth the wait. Enjoy it by driving the scenic rim road or by hiking into the canyon to fish, raft or climb.



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Unaweep & Tabeguache Scenic Byway

50 miles northwest of Ouray. Take part of the San Juan Skyway to Norwood then head north. This terrain is incredibly varied and transitions from the mountains to the arid canyons to the north. Stop to see the Hanging Flume and visit the Gateway Colorado Auto Museum.



SALLY PEARCE

Durango

71 miles south of Ouray. Founded in 1880 by the Denver & Rio Grande RR. Durango's retail core is a historic Victorian downtown surrounded by endless outdoor adventure opportunities. Durango is also home to Fort Lewis College and Durango Mountain Resort.



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Rico, Dolores & Cortez

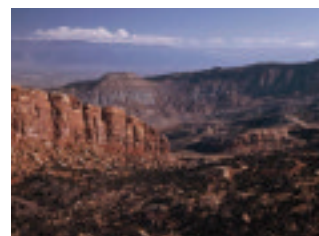
71-117 miles southwest of Ouray. Founded in mining and ranching heyday of Colorado, these towns have a unique character. McPhee Reservoir, the Dolores River and other waterways attract wildlife viewers and water sports enthusiasts alike. Each town offers something special worth discovering.



ACROTERION

Colorado National Monument

106 miles north of Ouray. The Monument is an incredible preserve of semi-arid terrain full of sculpted rocks and monoliths. It offers camping and picnic areas, hiking trails and an incredibly scenic drive or bike ride into the nearby cities of Grand Junction and Fruita.



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Mesa Verde National Park

120 miles southwest of Ouray. Ancient Indians build and lived in these cliff dwellings between 1200 and 1600. The park is one of the most unique historical sites in the world and offers fantastic hiking, biking and historic driving tours throughout. The park protects 4,000 known archeological sites including 600 cliff dwellings.



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Silverton..... 24 miles 1 hour
 Durango..... 71 miles 2 hours
 Pagosa Springs 131 miles 3 hours
 Ridgway 12 miles 20 minutes
 Montrose..... 37 miles 45 minutes

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Whether you call it hiking, trekking, going on walkabout or rambling, putting your feet into motion and heading into the hills is a wonderful way to experience Ouray. The San Juans are home to not only hundreds of miles of trails, thanks to the Utes, explorers, surveyors and miners, but also the highest concentration of 14,000 foot peaks in Colorado. Many of our trailheads are within easy walking distance of downtown Ouray. All of these trails will provide you with postcard perfect backdrops and awe-inspiring views. Be sure to look down and around you on the trails, too. There is nothing quite like discovering tiny tundra blossoms clinging to the bottom of a rock, unearthing a piece of obsidian or even a gemstone in the tailings of an old mine, or stumbling across a patch of succulent wild strawberries or raspberries!

You will find the hiking terrain around Ouray to be relatively steep and remote, so make sure you check the weather, take time to acclimate, add a little extra time onto your usual pace, and take plenty of breaks along the way to enjoy the view! Be sure to familiarize yourself with trail etiquette and safety guidelines and definitely pick up the excellent local map provided by the Ouray Trail Group for descriptions, distances, difficulty, and topographic information. The next page describes some of our local favorites (all hiking times are estimated for hikers in good condition).

Don't feel like walking, but still want the views? Don't want to carry all of your gear on a long backpacking trip? Want to sleep in a cozy hut rather than a tent? We can make that happen! Let us help you find the perfect guide to take you on a breathtaking horseback ride or a posh trip into the backcountry: our local outfitters have just what you need (local business information starts on page 47).

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Perimeter Trail – Highlighting Ouray’s Treasures

Ouray’s Perimeter Trail is a unique 5-mile adventure that starts and ends at the Ouray Visitor’s Center. The trail is a comprehensive checklist of some Ouray’s most famous features including: Cascade Falls, Baby Bathtubs, the Potato Patch (yes, the old miners actually grew potatoes here), Ouray Ice Park, Box Cañon Falls, and Ouray’s old water tunnel. The trail starts at 7,800 feet and climbs steeply at the beginning but mostly undulates through the forests surrounding Ouray. The trail currently ends at South Pinecrest Street but it’s a beautiful walk back to your starting point past the graceful Victorian homes on Oak Street. Construction of the final section of the trail along the west cliffs is planned for the near future. You can also just hike short sections of the trail via several trailheads around town. The Baby Bathtubs section and the Lower Cascade Falls section are two short, family-friendly hikes.

Hiking Time: 2-1/2 to 4 hours

Old Horsethief Trail – Views for Miles

This historic trail, which dates back to the earliest days of Ouray, had washed out over the years and it took a great deal of repair by the Ouray Trail Group and the US Forest Service to get it in shape for hiking again. The trailhead begins about 100 yards north of the Ouray Visitor’s Center on the north side of the Skyrocket Creek drainage; some parking is available at the trailhead. Otherwise, park at the Ouray Hot Springs Pool and walk to the trailhead. The trail climbs to a crossing of Skyrocket Creek, crosses the “blowout” and Bridalveil Creek, and then passes near the Wanakah, Johnathan, Schofield and American Nettie mines on “Gold Hill” while climbing to an intersection with the new Horsethief trail a bit below the Bridge of Heaven. It is 2.8 miles from the trailhead to the intersection. There are tremendous views back down into Ouray and down the valley toward Ridgway.

Hiking Time: 4-5 hours

Bear Creek – A Treat for Mining, Geology and Exposure Buffs

This is a National Recreation Trail, one of only a few designated in the USA as an especially scenic trail. Drive two miles south of Ouray on US 550, park on the left in the large turnout immediately past the south end of the tunnel. The trail begins on the west side of the highway and goes over the tunnel. This exciting climb goes up a series of switchbacks hewn out of the cliff face, then along ledges high above Bear Creek. The switchbacks rise steadily for a gain of 1,000 feet, then the trail levels out as it turns east along the Bear Creek gorge. The Grizzly Bear mine is reached after 2.4 miles, the Yellow Jacket mine after 4.2 miles and a round trip to either the Horsethief Trail or to Engineer Pass via the South Fork is 14.1 miles. Save this hike for the end of your trip after you’ve acclimated; it is also not recommended for venturesome small children because of the exposure.

Hiking Time (depending on route): 4-12 hours

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4x4 Wanderlust

Off-highway adventures bring you to some of the most stunning landscapes in the Rocky Mountains. Ouray has an enormous variety of four-wheeling routes at every level. Go it alone or with guides who love to share their knowledge of the San Juans' geology, flora, fauna, and most colorful stories. Four-wheeling enthusiasts travel here all summer long for the breathtaking scenery and then again during the fall months for the spectacular aspen colors. Jeep tours have traversed the high mountain passes commercially for decades and privately probably since the first Willys' made their debut stateside in the early 1940s. The locals prize their Jeeps, too. In the summer it seems like there is a Jeep in every driveway and many have lovingly-restored CJ's that climb the passes alongside newer Wranglers. Both local and national

Jeep and four-wheeling clubs meet in Ouray throughout the season and the Jeep Jamboree has held an annual rally here every fall for 26 years. Ouray has a number of companies that offer Jeep, OHV and ATV rentals and guided 4x4 tours with fun, experienced and knowledgeable guides (local business information starts on page 47), so make sure you take advantage of this great adventure while you're in town.

Overlanding – A New Way to Explore Wild Places

Overlanding is the new buzz in off-road adventure travel. The term 'overlanding' is used to describe this self-reliant, vehicle-based exploration. Overlanders look for authentic vacations to avoid highways, traditional campgrounds and RV parks, and take roads less travelled. Overlanding vehicles are different from "rock crawlers" and other 4x4 vehicles because they add a level of comfort not typically found in other conversions. With space enough to haul equipment in the vehicles, many use overlanding as a gateway to expand on other hobbies such as hiking, biking, fishing and photography. It provides a new way to set out

on a journey, perhaps with general directions in mind, to literally see where the road takes you. Carl Sagan said it best, "I don't know where I am going, but I'm on my way."

The Alpine Loop: Scenic & Historic Backcountry Byway

The Alpine Loop is one of the finest examples of our nation's Scenic Byway system. Seventy-five miles of road carve through the breathtaking San Juan Mountains, following historic routes worn by Native Americans traversing the region and the mining roads that connected the boom towns of Silverton, Lake City, Telluride and Ouray. Along this route, you will encounter the skeletons of old mining towns and mills that once promised great hope and prosperity.

This loop requires a high-clearance four-wheel-drive vehicle as it follows rough dirt and gravel roads through BLM and USFS lands. It's best to begin your Alpine Loop journey out of Ouray southbound on Highway 550. The posted mileage for the "loop" can be deceiving a trip out and back to Ouray exceeds 100 miles and will easily take an entire day to



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explore. Even better, break it into a multi-day adventure!

The recommended route for the tour between Ouray, Silverton and Lake City is to start at Corkscrew Gulch, eight miles south of Ouray. At the beginning of your trip, you will see the iconic Red Mountains #1, #2 and #3, which get their color from the high concentrations of iron oxide in the soil and contrast dramatically with the yellow mineral-rich dirt around the historic mine sites. Travel over California Gulch, north of Silverton, and spend some time at the amazingly preserved ghost town of Animas Forks. Connect with Cinnamon Pass and travel to Lake City, where you can explore the charming Victorian mining town. Return via Engineer Pass, making sure to stop at Rose's Cabin and Mineral Point. You can also return via California and Corkscrew Gulches for an easier route home.

The Alpine Loop rises above treeline at most of its passes; both Cinnamon and Engineer top out well above 12,000 feet. Up here, the weather is

easily 20 degrees colder than at lower elevations; be sure to bring a jacket and warm clothes. While driving the Alpine Loop, you will see a number of routes that take off from the main road. Many of these historic trails are blocked with rocks, logs, gates, dirt berms, or other barriers. These routes are not open to motorized

travel and the barriers are used to protect private property, prevent vehicle damage to fragile meadows or tundra, or prevent vehicle access to Wilderness or Wilderness Study Areas as required by law. The routes also intersect at many points, so pick up a more detailed map before your actual adventure.

The Alpine Loop: Scenic & Historic Backcountry Byway



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Summer Water Adventures

For all the quietude of Ouray, there's a whole lot of exhilaration here, too. These tranquil alpine lakes and meandering streams give way to fast-moving waters in a heartbeat. Kayakers, rafters and canoeists see the adventure in the whitecaps of the area's rushing rivers. Book a raft trip down the rapid-filled Gunnison River Gorge and marvel at the pristine wilderness, world-class fishing and stunning geology. Spend a lazy day tubing down the mellow waters of the Uncompahgre River from Ridgway to the State Park. Rent a boat on Ridgway Reservoir so the kids can waterski or tube in the shadow of Mount Sneffels and the Cimarron Range. Or take it easy by enjoying a quiet summer sunset on the lake on a stand up paddleboard. The healing waters around Ouray certainly extend far beyond the famous hot springs.



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River Rafting

Each spring, snowmelt from high in the San Juan Mountains brings increased water flows to our local rivers and adventure opportunities for rafters and kayakers alike. Enjoying this magical time of year is a must and there is no better way to experience run-off than by boating down an exciting river!

Although rafting rivers is fun, it is also an activity that requires a high level of experience in order to safely maneuver a boat through any whitewater situation. So before you go, make sure you aren't getting in over your head. For families or first timers, Class I – III is the way to go. For experienced boaters, class III – IV makes more sense. Note: class V ratings are unadvised unless you are a trained professional and ready for combat swimming! Don't forget to contact your local rafting outfitter to receive the most up-to-date information on conditions, access, gear and guided trips.

Popular Rafting Trips

(Rating the difficulty of a rapid is based on a numerical rating system called "Class," with class I (flat-water) to class VI (Niagara Falls).)

- Uncompahgre River (Class II/III+)
- Lower Gunnison River (Class II)
- Gunnison River/Gunnison Gorge (Class III-IV)
- San Miguel River (Class III-IV)
- Animas River (Class II-V)

Canyoning – Ouray's Newest Watersport

Located on the floor of a box canyon and surrounded by high mountains carved by wind and water, Ouray hosts some of the highest quality alpine canyons in the United States. The quality and variety of canyons found in mountains surrounding Ouray – from the family-friendly trip down Portland Creek to the 280-foot rappel down Cascade Falls – is staggering. All of them feature one crucial element – water: plummeting over cliffs, cascading down tight rapids, and swirling around deep, cold turquoise pools.

The season for canyoneering varies from year to year due to spring runoff and fall snow. The canyons are most accessible in August and September when the weather is warm and the water is low. Canyoning is an incredibly technical activity, so be safe and learn how to explore Ouray's canyons at the 2015 Rendezvous International for Canyoning in August or hire a guide to teach you the ropes of this thrilling sport.

For more information on guides and outfitters to help book your water adventures refer to the local business listings starting on page 47.

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Road & Mountain Bike Treks

Flying down a pass on skinny tires is exhilarating, but the high pass roads around Ouray can be a little intimidating to a novice road biker. The road ride over Red Mountain Pass is epic for a multitude of reasons (stunning views, tight switchbacks, oxygen deprivation, and little to no shoulder along steep drop-offs) and will pose a challenge to even the most seasoned rider. The Dallas Divide ride along HWY 62 between Ridgway and Placerville offers great climbs and a slightly wider shoulder with stunning views of the Sneffels Range.

Most riders, though, are looking for a bit less adrenaline but equally stunning views. Ouray offers some great alternatives to the high paved passes including the scenic route along County Roads 17 and 23 between Ridgway and Ouray, and

the paved bike paths along the Uncompahgre River into Ridgway State Park.

Local Trails & Scenic Rides

Ridgway Area Trails system (RAT): To a mountain biker, secluded singletrack trails through beautiful mountains are the holy grail of biking. Since 2004, the Ridgway Area Trails (RAT) group has work in collaboration with the US Forest Service, BLM, Ridgway State Park, and public parks to develop a multi-use trail system in Ridgway. The RAT includes miles of quality singletrack trails near Ridgway State Park and the epic (40+ miles) ride along the Dallas Creek Trail. Learn more at www.RidgwayTrails.com.

Portland Trail, Ouray: Short and intense single track. Approximately 4 miles – 1 to 2 hours. Ride up Portland Road and meet up with the Portland Trail near the mine.

River Road, Ouray to Ridgway & Back:

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Motorcycle Tours

The winding mountain roads surrounding Ouray make for epic motorcycle tours and every summer, motorcyclists from all over the world converge on Ouray with their Harleys, BMWs and Ducatis. Ouray is the perfect place to stage a series of classic road rides with the hot springs and friendly pubs to soothe away your road weariness at the end of the day. Southwestern Colorado is known for its motorcycle-friendly culture and Ouray welcomes bikes on Main Street. A number of biker events pass through town each summer, and many groups plan Ouray as a stop on their western Colorado bike tour.

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Epic Ride - Million Dollar Highway: A motorcycle trip to Ouray isn't complete without a ride along HWY 550, the Million Dollar Highway, which was named one of the 5 Best Rides in the U.S. by the American Motorcyclist Association. This 71-mile stretch between Ouray and Durango offers miles and miles of switchbacks and endless views into the San Juan National Forest. It's easy to extend this into an all-day trip along the 236-mile San Juan Scenic Byway continuing through Durango and returning to Ouray via Cortez, Rico, Telluride and Ridgway.

Off-Road Tours

Experiencing the Jeep roads and passes around Ouray on a dirt bike is one of the finest ways to experience the breathtaking scenery, get a workout, and use very little gas. A licensed dual-sport is recommended because of the highway and county road driving between many of the passes. Some jetting adjustment may also be required since most of the rides start at around 8,000 feet and top out over 12,000 feet, so bring your tools!

Epic Ride - Owl Creek Pass Trails: The Owl Creek Pass area along County Road 10 offers an interconnected network of dirt roads and double- and single-track trails to entice the dirt bike enthusiast. Some of the areas to explore include the three forks of the Cimarron, Lou Creek, Nate Creek and Alpine Trails. Get a free USFS Motorized Vehicle Use Maps online or from a Forest Service office and use this as your guide to local trails; look for closure dates and size restrictions, you will want a trail that is clear of snow and limited to motorized vehicles less than or equal to 50 inches wide. Most of these trails are also open to hiking, horseback riding, and mountain biking, so please use caution in blind corners and yield to other users.



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- Where can you hike to heaven?
- Where can you find a great uncomformity?
- Who was known as the "Pathfinder of the San Juans"?
- Which building used to be a miner's hospital?
- Where can you find a large elk that never moves?
- What adventure lets you explore waterfalls from the top down?
- What was the "Around the Circle" tour?
- Which famous ghost town did Evelyn Walsh McLean call home?
- How many gallons does the Ouray Hot Springs pool hold?
- How many red mountains are there?
- What is Vinegar Hill?
- Which historic Ouray landmark used to be pink?
- What special vehicle does Ouray give away each year?
- What is Ouray's nickname?
- Where can you find a beautiful woman on the floor?
- Which cultural hot spot has a new grand staircase?
- What animal inspired Ouray's famous chocolatier?
- Which Colorado state flower can you find in abundance in the summer?
- What local building was featured in the original "True Grit"?
- Where can you find turtles year round?
- What is the name of the mountain that guards Ouray?
- Where can you find John Wayne's hat?
- Where can you find a little library in Ouray?
- What does Uncompahgre mean?
- What park is home to Ouray County's best beach?
- What is a centennial ranch?
- Where does a large alligator greet you at the door?
- Which shop is home to an infamous lamp every winter?
- What is an ice farmer?
- What radio station calls Ouray home?
- How many switchbacks does it take to reach the top of Red Mountain Pass?
- Where can you soak in a cave?
- Where is the Ouray Miner's Park?
- Where can you find poetry in the alleys?



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– Amy, Texas

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- » For only \$3 a year, hikers and other outdoor enthusiasts are covered by the Colorado Outdoor Recreation Search and Rescue Fund (COSAR), which reimburses counties for the costs associated with backcountry rescues. Anyone with a current hunting/fishing license, or boat, snowmobile or ATV registration is already covered by the fund.
- » Buy Search & Rescue Cards at local outdoor shops.

IMPORTANT PHONE #s

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Department.....970-325-7272

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Ridgway State Park.....970-626-5822

MAPS & GUIDES

While this map presents a good overview of the area around Ouray, always take the time to research and map out where you're planning on going. You can find updated maps at local BLM and Forest Service offices, Ridgway State Park and local retailers in Ouray and Ridgway. It's always a good idea to enlist professional guides, too.



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OURAY RECREATIONAL MAP



OURAY COUNTY

Ouray County is tucked away in the southwestern corner of Colorado in the heart of the San Juan Mountains, dominated by imposing mountain peaks. The county covers 542 square miles and has a population of around 4,560. Two municipalities lie within the county, the city of Ouray and the town of Ridgway.

During the late 19th and early 20th centuries the primary industries in the county were mining and agriculture. With the decline of the mining industry,

tourism has become the draw for visitors. Ouray County offers visitors the best experiences and a plethora of outdoor adventures.

Today, Ouray County celebrates its rich western heritage with museums, historic railroads and ranches that were once the homes of mining and ranching families. The county also hosts a rodeo and many heritage events throughout the year.

Ouray's heritage as a ranching community is well in present-day Ridgway.



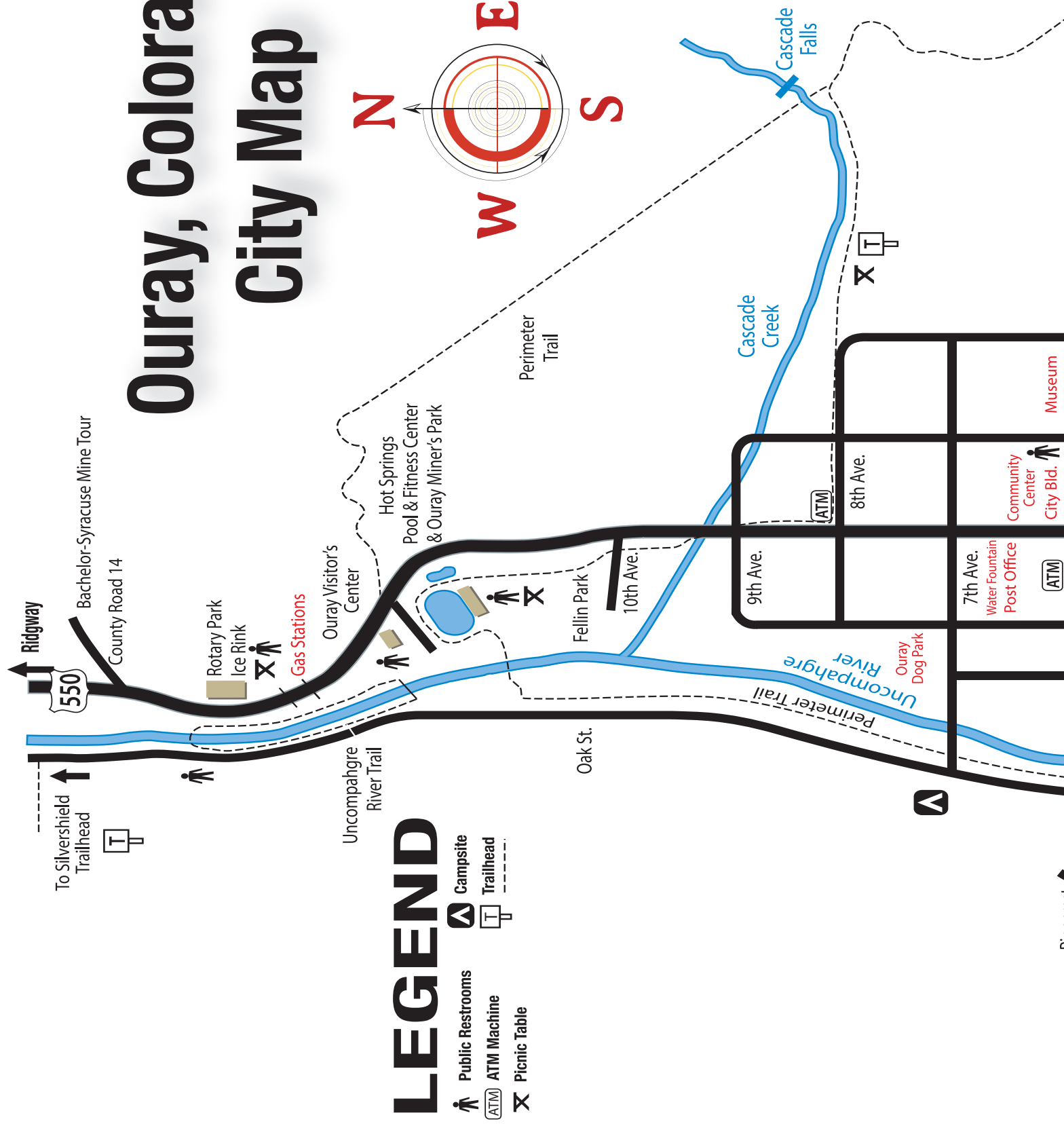
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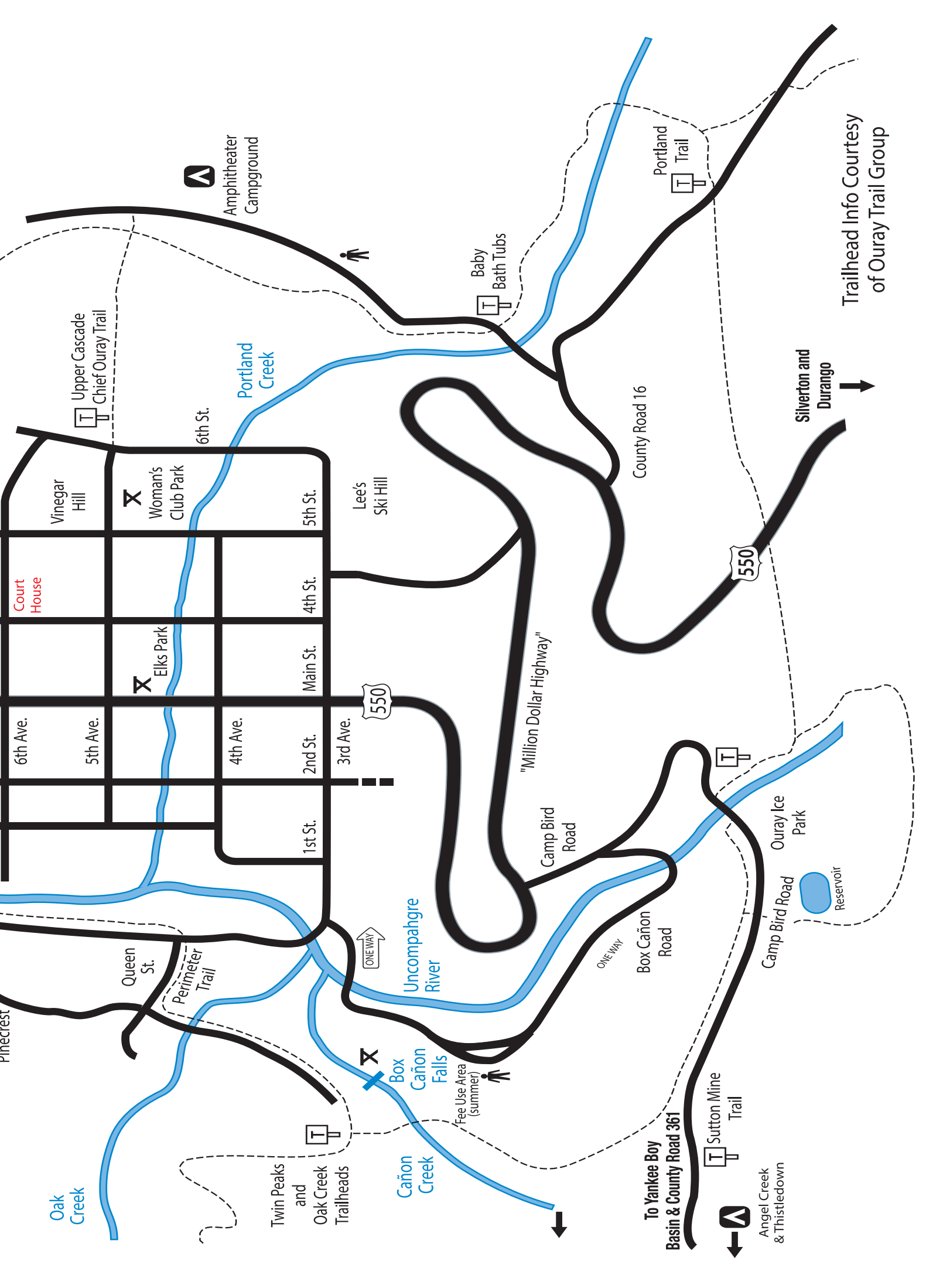
Ouray County. This community is driving an economic diversity plan to strengthen local agriculture and creative industries. In 2012, the town of Ridgway was named a Prospective Creative District for the State of Colorado. The area also features thriving organic ranches and farms that raise everything from cattle and yaks, to sheep and llamas, to herbs. There are a number of ranches that have been in continuous operation for over a century.

The recently opened Ouray County Ranch History Museum in the historic Colona School celebrates

the county's connection to the land. A visit here is a fascinating look into the rich history of the county, as well as an insider's view of the ongoing historic restoration of this beautiful building. After your tour of the museum, stop by the Ridgway Public Library to peruse the Local History Display donated by the Double RL Ranch, which exhibits material about Ouray County's ranching history.

Ouray, Colorado City Map





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Ouray is the place to be in the wintertime whether you seek adventure, comfort, relaxation or all of the above. Come winter, Ouray is wrapped in a blanket of crisp, white snow and offers plenty of activities and events to warm the body, heart and soul. If frozen water is what you seek, Ouray has you covered.

From the famous ice of the Ouray Ice Park to the pristine powder, huge vistas and quiet forests of the San Juan Mountains, winter beckons winter adventurers looking for ice-climbing, back-country skiing, snowshoeing and snowmobiling. A day with the kids on our local sledding hills, complete with bonfires and s'mores, is sure to get you giddy and giggling. Or just be inspired by the landscape from the deck of your hotel, bundled up with a quilt and some hot chocolate.

Nothing tops off a winter day in Ouray like a soak in our sulfur-free hot springs, some shopping along Main Street, a warm meal and drink at one of our cozy restaurants and a soft bed to fall into. Refer to our local business listings on page 47 for all of your winter needs.

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Climb Waterfalls

From mid-December to mid-March, head to the Ouray Ice Park with your crampons, ice tools, harness, and a local guide, and experience Ouray's world-class ice. From low-angle climbs on the Kids' Wall to challenging mixed routes in the Upper Alcove, the Ice Park has something for everyone. The Ouray Ice Park and local non-profits also host a number of clinics and presentations throughout the season.

Snowshoeing & Cross-country Skiing

Nothing can compare to the solitude of a cross-country ski under a full moon along miles of groomed and ungroomed Nordic trails in Ironton Park just south of Ouray. Top of the Pines, set on a high mesa meadow near Ridgway, also offers miles of trails groomed for skate skiing. You can also rent a pair of snowshoes and explore the trails and roads of the Amphitheater right from town or pack up your backpack and set out on an overnight hut or yurt trip.

Sledding, Sliding & Tobogganing

Sleds are all the rage in Ouray when the snow flies. Whether you have a hand-crafted racing sled or a plastic saucer, the hills around Ouray offer countless opportunities for sledding. Vinegar Hill, between 5th and 6th Avenues in town, is blocked to traffic in the winter for safe sliding fun. For a bigger thrill, try the hill by the Thistledown Campground on Camp Bird Road. Be sure to spot for traffic and have plenty of s'mores and hot chocolate on hand.

Snowmobile & Snowcat Tours

Whether you trailer your own sled or ride with a local guide, Red Mountain, Molas, Coal Bank and Owl Creek Passes are hard to beat for a winter snowmobile tour. Miles of snow-covered OHV trails snake their way into the mountains past historic mine headframes and deep powder-filled meadows. If you would rather let someone else do the driving, consider

a scenic snowcat tour up Red Mountain #3 and then get your thrills on a winter zip line.

Winter Fishing & Horseback Tours

If you've never tried fishing in the winter, you are in for a real treat. The trout stay hungry year round in our rivers and you'll be sure to have a peaceful riverbank all to yourself. Book a local guide for blue-ribbon fishing on private land. The backcountry trails are also all yours on a winter horseback trek through peaceful, snow-covered meadows. Enjoy the broad mountain vistas around the Cimarrons and wrap up the day at a warming fire.



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Downhill & Backcountry Skiing

Visitors can enjoy the small-town hospitality of Ouray and access world-class skiing at nearby resorts and ski areas in Telluride, Silverton, and Durango. For a milder ride, Ouray's own Lee's Ski Hill offers a rope tow and some fun turns right in town. It's a great place for the kids to try their first turns for free. For solitude and pristine powder, nothing beats the backcountry slopes of the San Juan Mountains. When you venture into the backcountry, we recommend a private ski day with one of our local guide services. For those that want to learn more about snow science and traveling safely in the backcountry, our guides also offer avalanche terrain training courses throughout the winter, often paired with a cozy overnight high-country hut stay.

Regional Ski Resorts



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PEAK MOUNTAIN GUIDES

The Softer Side of Ice

Most of the photos you see of Ouray's official winter sport, ice climbing, can be a little intimidating. World class athletes come to Ouray and are portrayed hanging at crazy angles from their ice axes, traversing impossibly thin rock faces and icicles, and basically awing the casual bystander with their supernatural skills.

What you may not realize when you look at these pictures is that Ouray is actually the perfect place to try out ice climbing for the first time or to improve your skills with the help of our certified climbing guides. It's even better when you invite a whole group of friends to join you! From mid-December through March, Ouray is full of climbing activity and good cheer, with "Have an Ice Day" greeting you from almost every shop window. We invite you to add an experience in the Ouray Ice Park to your bucket list.

A few facts to tempt your secret inner ice climber:

First, the Ouray Ice Park is free to use. While guided clinics and lessons are recommended for all beginners, the park itself remains a free playground for everyone who climbs there.

Second, the Ouray Ice Park offers beginning to advanced routes, so climbers of all skill levels can spend a full day learning and perfecting their techniques.

Finally, the Ouray Ice Park is actually located inside Ouray city limits only a 5-10-minute walk from Main Street. You can enjoy a lesson in the morning, pop into town for a hot lunch, head back in the early afternoon for some fun climbing and then end your day in the Ouray Hot Springs Pool to soak away the day's adventure.

Climbing clinics and lessons are offered for every age and climber throughout the season. The Kids' Climbing College offers free climbing opportunities for youth ages 8-17 on special weekends throughout the season. Chicks with Picks and FemFest offer women's specific clinics, Paradox Sports offers adaptive programs and the Ouray Ice Festival in January offers clinics and walk-up climbing during the event.

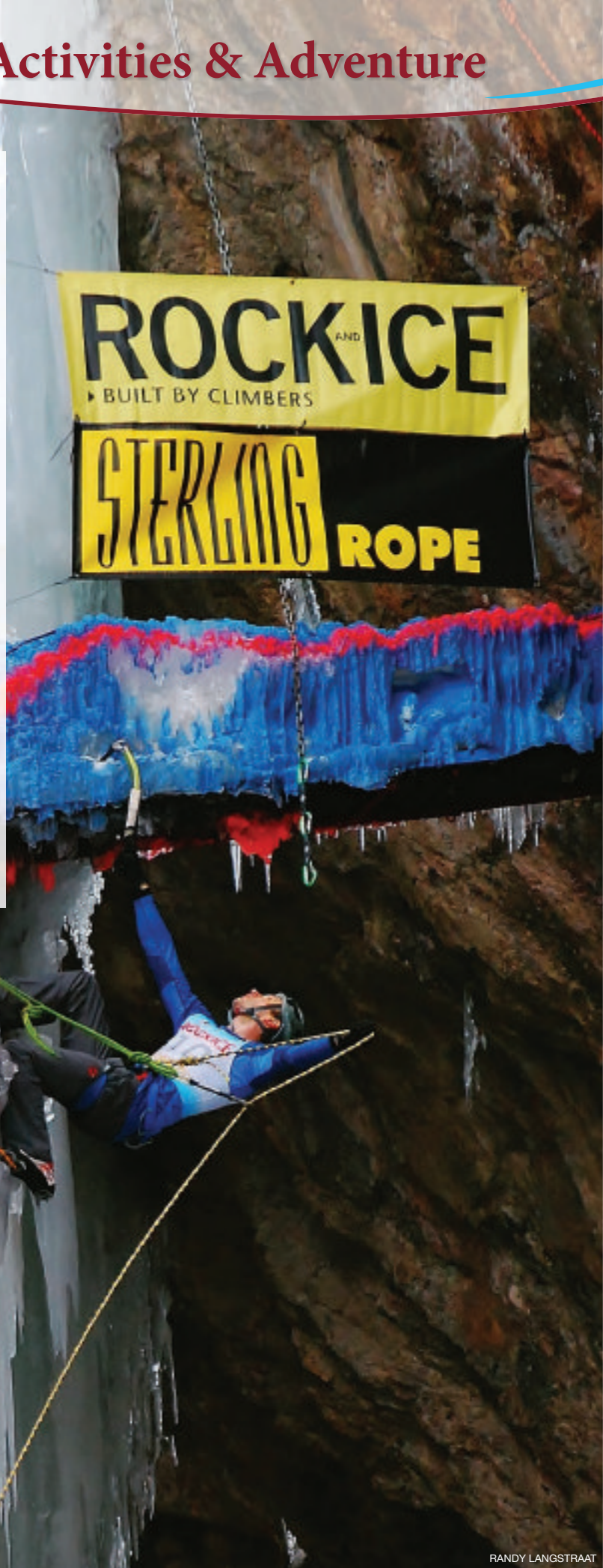
Get in touch with one of our local guide services (local business listings start on page 47) and then sit back and share photos and stories about the time you conquered the ice! We have a feeling you'll be back to do it again before you know it.

The 21st Annual Ouray Ice Festival

Held each year in January, the Ouray Ice Festival is an eclectic gathering of ice climbers, gear manufacturers, and ice climbing enthusiasts. This international festival was first held in January 1996 and is widely recognized as the premier event of its kind. Each year, familiar faces return to climb, socialize, test out the latest equipment, and watch the pros power their way up the latest competition route.

The 21st annual Ouray Ice Festival will be back in Ouray in January, 2016. The four-day event features the Elite Mixed Climbing Comp on Saturday, the Hari Berger Speed Climbing Competition on Sunday and daily ice climbing clinics, free introductions to ice climbing, fun after-hours events and opportunities to check out and try the latest technical gear. Even better, ice enthusiasts get a chance to catch up with some of the world's most famous and experienced climbers on an intimate level, many of whom compete and lead clinics throughout the weekend.

The Ouray Ice Festival is 100% locally owned and operated by the Ouray Ice Park, Inc. All proceeds from the festival go directly to the operation and maintenance of the park.



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Ouray County's Rich Heritage

Ouray County offers something for every history buff, from easy access to ghost towns, to scenic ranches and world-class museums. Prior to the mining era of the 1860s-1950s, Ouray was Ute Indian Country. As mining grew, so did the ranching and railroad industries that supported it. Today, Ouray County celebrates its unique Western heritage with museums dedicated to mining, railroading, ranching and the Utes, as well as private collections and a beautiful historic fairgrounds that hosts the annual Labor Day Ouray County Fair & Rodeo.

Ouray County Historical Society

The Ouray County Historical Society was founded in 1971 and since 1976 the Ouray County Museum has been

located in the Ouray Miners Hospital which was built in 1887 by Francis Carney. The museum has three stories and 27 rooms with each room dedicated to a specific aspect of Ouray County history and one room dedicated to rotating

exhibits. The Smithsonian Institution has said we are the “Best little museum in the west” and Arthur Frommer’s Idiots Guide to the Rockies says, “If you visit one small museum in the west, make it the Ouray County Museum.”



Ouray Alchemist Pharmaceutical Museum

With over 40 years of passionate collecting, owners and pharmacists Curtis and Nancy Haggard have crafted a collection that spans over 2,000 years of pharmaceutical history. Their collection is housed in a newly-built mixed-use building on Main Street. Once inside, you are surrounded by

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an outstanding recreation of a frontier pharmacy, complete with period fixtures, over-the-counter remedies, art objects and the oldest prescription in Colorado. Both Curtis and Nancy personally lead tours of the collection and bring the stories surrounding the artifacts to life.

Ridgway Railroad Museum, Ridgway

The Ridgway Railroad Museum, founded in 1999, is dedicated to preserving the history of railroading in Ouray County. The museum has six narrow gauge cars on exhibit with interpretive displays in several of the cars. The cars include a caboose, stock car, box car, drop-bottom gondola, business car and a water service car. In addition, the museum has an exact replica of the 1931 Rio Grande Southern (RGS) Motor Car No. 1 as well as the recently restored RGS Goose No. 4. The museum also has an extensive indoor display including an 8' x 4' diorama of the RGS Ridgway Yard.

Ouray County Ranch History Museum, Colona

Located in Colona, Colorado, just 20 miles north of Ouray, the Ouray County Ranch History Museum features the ranching history that was the lifeblood of

northern Ouray County. The Museum's collection originated with a gift of a local ranching history archive from Ralph and Ricky Lauren, which grew quickly with enthusiastic local donations. Parts of the collection can now be viewed in the landmark two-story schoolhouse in Colona, which is being restored through joint efforts by the Colona chapter of the Colorado Grange, the Museum and grants from the State Historic Fund. In two of its sunny, high-ceilinged classrooms, visitors can enjoy rotating exhibitions devoted to the Uncompahgre River Valley's rich ranching history.

Ute Indian Museum, Montrose

The Ute Indian Museum is one of the nation's most complete collections of the Utes, featuring exhibits and dioramas that let visitors experience the history, culture and daily life of the early inhabitants of the Uncompahgre Valley. Located on the original 8.65-acre homestead site of Chief Ouray (the leader of the Ute people) and his wife, Chipeta, the museum complex includes the Chief Ouray Memorial Park, Chipeta's crypt, a native plants garden, shady picnic areas, walking paths, teepees, and a memorial to the Spanish conquistadors who traveled through the area in 1776.

Heritage Activities

- Eat at a Cowboy Cookout
- Explore a Ghost Town
- Go Mineral Hunting
- Hike a Historic Mining Trail
- Learn how to Forage Wild Foods
- Listen to Cowboy Poetry
- Pan for Gold
- Ride a Horse
- Ride a Historic Train
- Search out Haunted History
- Take a 4x4 Tour Along a Mine Road
- Take a Hay Ride
- Take the Historic Walking Tour of Ouray
- Tour a Historic Mine
- Visit an Arts & Crafts Festival
- Visit a Blacksmith Shop
- Visit a Farmer's Market
- Visit the Ouray Miner's Park
- Watch a Rodeo

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Ouray's MESKER Fronts

Not everyone walking down Ouray's Main Street notices what has become to be known as one of the largest, best-preserved concentrations of MESKER decorative building fronts in the state, if not the country. Ouray has over 10% of the documented MESKER fronts in Colorado. But, if you take the time and look around and up, you will notice numerous examples of stamped metal facades, cornices, columns, pediments, pilasters, scrolls and other decorative features on many of Ouray's Main Street buildings that were built in the late 1880's, 1890's and early 1900's.

These MESKER fronts of pressed galvanized sheet metal panels and decoration, were manufactured and sold by three brothers in two separate and competing companies: Mesker Bros. Iron Works in St. Louis, MO and George L.

Mesker & Co in Evansville, IN. Both firms embraced new technologies developed in the 1870's – pressed galvanized sheet metal – which replaced previously-used cast iron; coupled with that, both firms used an extensive mail order catalog business and a developing railroad transportation system to send thousands of prefabricated store fronts and decorative architectural features to virtually every state in the country.

Many MESKER fronts can be identified by the nameplates of the respective firms molded into the bases of columns, bolted on as a plate, or molded into the threshold. In the absence of a nameplate, Mesker Bros. Iron Works typically utilized a fleur-de-lis design representative of St. Louis' early French heritage while George L. Mesker & Co.'s products usually featured a stylized morning glory motif. Each of these types of identification can be found among Ouray's MESKERs.

Ouray in the 1880's was developing from a rough and tumble mining camp with false front wooden structures into a fast-developing city and supply center for the numerous booming silver mines in the area. When the D&RG Railroad finally arrived in 1887-88, development took off with the construction of four of Ouray's most significant structures: the Beaumont Hotel, St. Joseph's Miners Hospital (today's Ouray County Museum), Ouray County Court House and Wright's Hall (the Wright Opera House), the first of Ouray's many MESKER fronts.

The Wright's Hall MESKER front has been described by Darius Bryjka, the nation's leading Mesker scholar, as one of the earliest and most spectacular

Mesker. Bros. Iron Works fronts in the country, due to its preserved original façade that incorporates many details that are entirely different from those used by the firm in subsequent years.

The success of the Wright with its beautiful façade, ease of construction (only 6 months), reasonable cost and easy mail order plan undoubtedly inspired many other building owners to follow suit over the succeeding years (1888-1910). During that period MESKER features were incorporated into at least fourteen of Ouray's Main St. buildings. Of these, however, there is only one George L. Mesker & Co. front (Rockin' P Ranch, initially the 1895 Powell Grocery).

Over the years, Ouray's MESKER front buildings have adapted to a changing number of owners, tenants and uses and throughout this time, changes have occurred to the structures for reasons of modernization, maintenance and repair. However, for the most part, today these structures have survived relatively intact and well-cared for.

So as you stroll up and down Ouray's Main Street take the time to look around and up, and appreciate this unique collection of architectural history.

For more information and stories about the historic structures and businesses along Ouray's Main Street purchase a copy of *Ouray's Historic Main Street Early Visions Wild Times*, (available at the Ouray County Museum, 420 Sixth Ave.) which is an accompaniment to the eight historic markers along Main Street.

-Thomas Hillhouse,
September 2014



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A Main Street Tour of Ouray's Mesker Fronts

East side of Main St., South to North

- Buen Tiempo Restaurant, Scott-Humphries Bld. 1888-90
- Duckett's Market, Schwend & Mostyn Produce Co 1900
- Duckett's Market, Hammon & Waring Grocers 1900
- RB Horsetraders, Orendorf Bld. 1902
- Columbine Mineral Shop, Jeffers Bld. 1890

West Side of Main St., South to North

- The Wright Opera House, Wright's Hall 1888
- Rockin' P Ranch, Powell Grocery 1895
- Swiss Store, Carney Hardware 1888
- Mouse's Chocolates, Townsend/Witherspoon Bld. 1901
- Citizens State Bank, Prevost Saloon 1898
- Gator Emporium, Derry Bld. 1900
- Outlaw Restaurant, Canavan Bld. 1908-10
- Ouray Post Office, Former site of Heibler Bld. 1889 demolished 1960
- O'Brien's Pub, Sanitary Market 1906
- Salon Envy, Fausson & Pricco/Cascade Grocery 1906
- Silver Nugget Restaurant, Columbus Bld. 1898



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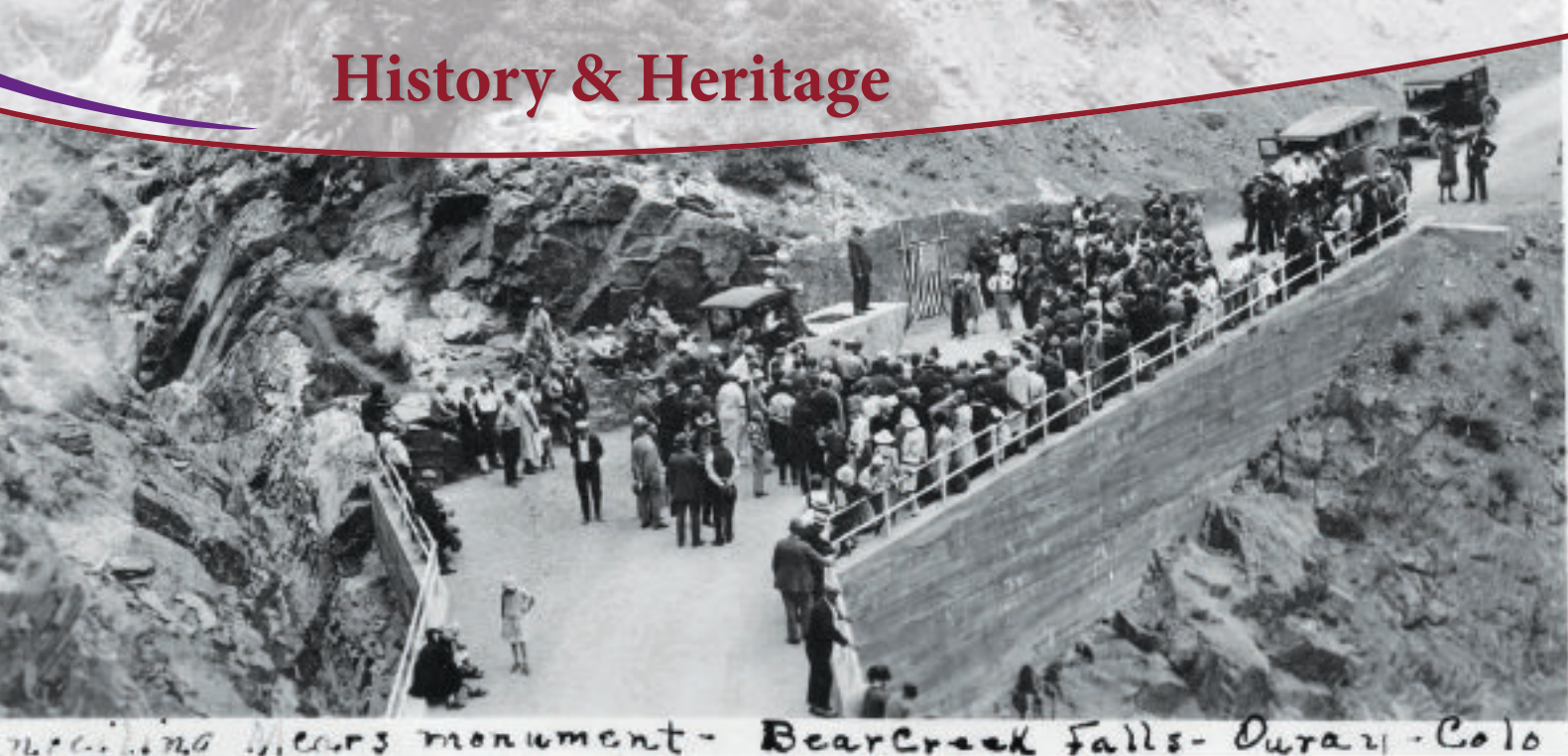
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1926 DEDICATION OF THE MEARS MONUMENT, OURAY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Otto Mears Monument Returns Home

The repaired Otto Mears Monument, a familiar landmark that honors the famous road and railroad builder, once again presides over the Bear Creek Falls Bridge. The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) recently completed the first rebuilding of the bridge in almost 50 years. Spanning an approximately 300-foot drop into the Uncompahgre gorge, the new bridge was constructed between July 2010 and September 2012. The Mears monument has been placed near the new pedestrian viewing platform, about two miles south of Ouray on Highway 550.

Otto Mears (1844-1931) is known as the Pathfinder of the San Juans for his toll road and railroad construction efforts. In 1881, Mears built the toll road between Ouray and Silverton that comprises part of what is now known as the Million Dollar Highway. His toll booth

was located near the new Bear Creek Falls Bridge and three other versions that preceded it. His private toll road was transferred to Ouray County in the late 1890's and then later to the state's division of highways (now CDOT). CDOT constructed a new bridge in 1922 and again made improvements in 1962. The Russian immigrant and entrepreneur completed many other toll roads, built three railroads in the San Juans and purchased a fourth. In addition to his transportation accomplishments, he was active in mining ventures as well as local, state and national politics. Mears also founded the Ouray Plaindealer in 1888.

The idea for the monument originated in 1909 with Mears' long-time friend (and sometimes foe), David Day, then editor of the Durango Democrat. Finally, in 1926, The Silverton Standard raised the money to place the marker in Mears' honor at the site of his Bear Creek toll Booth. Mears was ill and could not attend the dedication, but he did come in 1929 and had his photo taken beside the monument.

The Mears Monument has endured several displacements due to bridge improvements. In 1962, the monument was damaged during bridge renovation and stored by CDOT. In the late 1960s, Joyce Jorgensen, then-editor of the Ouray Plaindealer, campaigned to have it placed again at the falls. It was partially repaired, rededicated in 1970, and placed on the east side of the road just south of the falls. In 2011 the monu-

ment was again removed from its home during construction and temporarily resided outside the Ouray County Historical Museum. This time, it has returned to the Bear Creek Falls Bridge in much improved condition.

Thanks to the efforts of Ouray's Public Works staff and other businesses, the monument has been permanently repaired. Daren Hinton, of Mountain View Surfaces in Palisade, repaired the area where a large piece of granite had broken off in 1962. Snyder-Grand Valley Memorials of Grand Junction engraved the repaired portion. American Civil Constructors (ACC), contractor to CDOT, and Speedy's Concrete in Ouray each donated \$100 toward the repair work. The late Dan Fossey, then the City of Ouray Public Works Director, and Ed Witherspoon, then the Public Works Supervisor, transported the massive piece, which weighs over half a ton, between Palisade and Ouray. Curtis Gemaehlich and Ed Dillon, ACC, also were instrumental in accomplishing the transportation and repair work.

The new, wider Bear Creek Falls Bridge replaces a 48-year-old bridge that was nearing the end of its service life. The project also improved the parking area off the north end of the bridge and includes a pedestrian overlook that affords visitors a better view of the falls. Otto Mears would probably approve...although the bridge is toll-free.

- Don Paulson & Kate Kellogg



OURAY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Ouray History Timeline

1300-1500

Ancient Ones or Puebloans abandoned their cliff dwellings in Mesa Verde.



1600

Drought is speculated for their move. Ute Indians hunted near Ouray, began using horses, harvested corn and lived in wickiups, then tepees.

1776

Fathers Escalante and Dominguez, with 12 other scouts, traveled through the area in search of the best route from Santa Fe to California.



1800

Fur traders forged into the valley to get beaver pelts and other hides.



1860

White settlers, prospectors, survey parties and other immigrants set permanent camps in the valley.

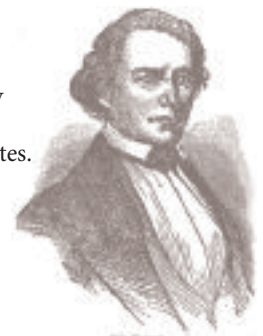


1860-61 first rush collapsed, and silver rush began in the 1870s. Biggest first ore find in 1875. Birds used to detect gases.



1863

The 1863 Kit Carson Treaty made to occupy certain lands with the Tabeguache band of Utes.



1873

Brunot Treaty of 1873 signed. Utes relinquished all mining rights in the San Juan Mountains as well as moved to reservation lands.



1876

The town of Ouray was incorporated. Town doubles from 400 to 800 citizens when silver was struck.



1880

Chief Ouray was born in 1833 and died in 1880.



1882-1953

Railroad arrived 36 miles from Ouray in Montrose in 1882. In 1887, Otto Mears brought the railroad to Ouray; 1903 the San Juan District Mining Association formed. In 1953 Rio Grande Southern Railroad was abandoned.



- 1882 Yankee Girl Mine produced \$8 million in gold and silver.
- 1883 Ouray and San Miguel counties split.
- Waterworks Electric Light Plant, telephones and telegraphs hit the scene.
- 1886-87 Around The Circle Tours began with RR. Beaumont built.
- 1893 Silver Panic and gold overtakes silver.
- Ouray gets AC electricity before NYC.
- Million Dollar Highway, 1922-1934.
- From 1876 to 1940 Revenue Mine shipped over \$27 million in gold/silver.
- Camp Bird Mine closed in 1990, after nearly 100 years of operating.

1976-1990



1976 Miner's Hospital turns into Ouray County Historical Museum.

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CLASSIC VISIONS PHOTOGRAPHY

Ghost Towns

One of the best ways to experience the history and Wild West lore of Ouray is by exploring one of the many ghost towns that stand witness to past history with their weathered headframes and leaning bunkhouses deep in backcountry of the San Juan Mountains.

Some of these mining towns were small, inhabited by only a few people, while others had thousands of residents. Most ghost towns in this area, due to the difficult and unforgiving long winter months, are now just bare sites with only a few buildings still standing. These historical ruins are “true ghosts.” You will find shadows of the past in the ruins and foundations of these old mining towns.

Make sure to take your camera and brush up on your history before you go. There are a number of extremely interesting books that cover the history of many of the old mine sites and mining camps. The following recommended books can be purchased at many of Ouray’s local shops: *Mountain Mysteries*, *The Ouray Odyssey*, by Marvin Gregory & P. David Smith; *Colorado 4WD Adventures*, by Peter Massey and Jeanne Wilson.

CAUTION: In your exploration of these abandoned mine sites, be extremely cautious of any unprotected portals and shafts, they can be very dangerous. Please leave the sites the way you found them.

The following sites are only a small fraction of those that exist in the San Juan Mountains. A few towns can be reached by passenger car but most are in remote areas only accessible by four-wheel drive or a hike.

Ironton

Ironton was developed in 1883 as a tent city. It eventually developed into a more refined town when shop owners from Ouray and Silverton opened branch stores in Ironton. It actually served as what we commonly refer to as a “bedroom community” for workers in the nearby mines.

Ironton was an important stage stop; wagons brought in supplies and left with ore. An extension of the railroad was completed into Ironton from Silverton in 1889. This was the farthest north the railroad came because of the ruggedness of the mountains between Ouray and Ironton.

Red Mountain Mining District

Miners from three famous mines, the Guston-Robinson, the Yankee Girl and the Genessee-Vanderbilt, lived in this area. By 1890, the population of Guston reached 340 residents but quickly emptied when all three mines shut down in 1897. Today, the only remaining buildings are mining structures and the famous headframe of the Yankee Girl Mine.

This area was known for its rich ore. The Guston-Robinson Mine, first opened to mine lead, held rich deposits of galena and some of its ore averaged 15,000 ounces of silver per ton with three ounces of gold. The Yankee Girl produced very rich ore of up to 3,000 ounces of silver per ton, with the added benefit of up to 30% copper. The Genessee-Vanderbilt Mine produced a lower grade ore than the other two mines but produced enough to continue working into the late 1940s.

Animas Forks

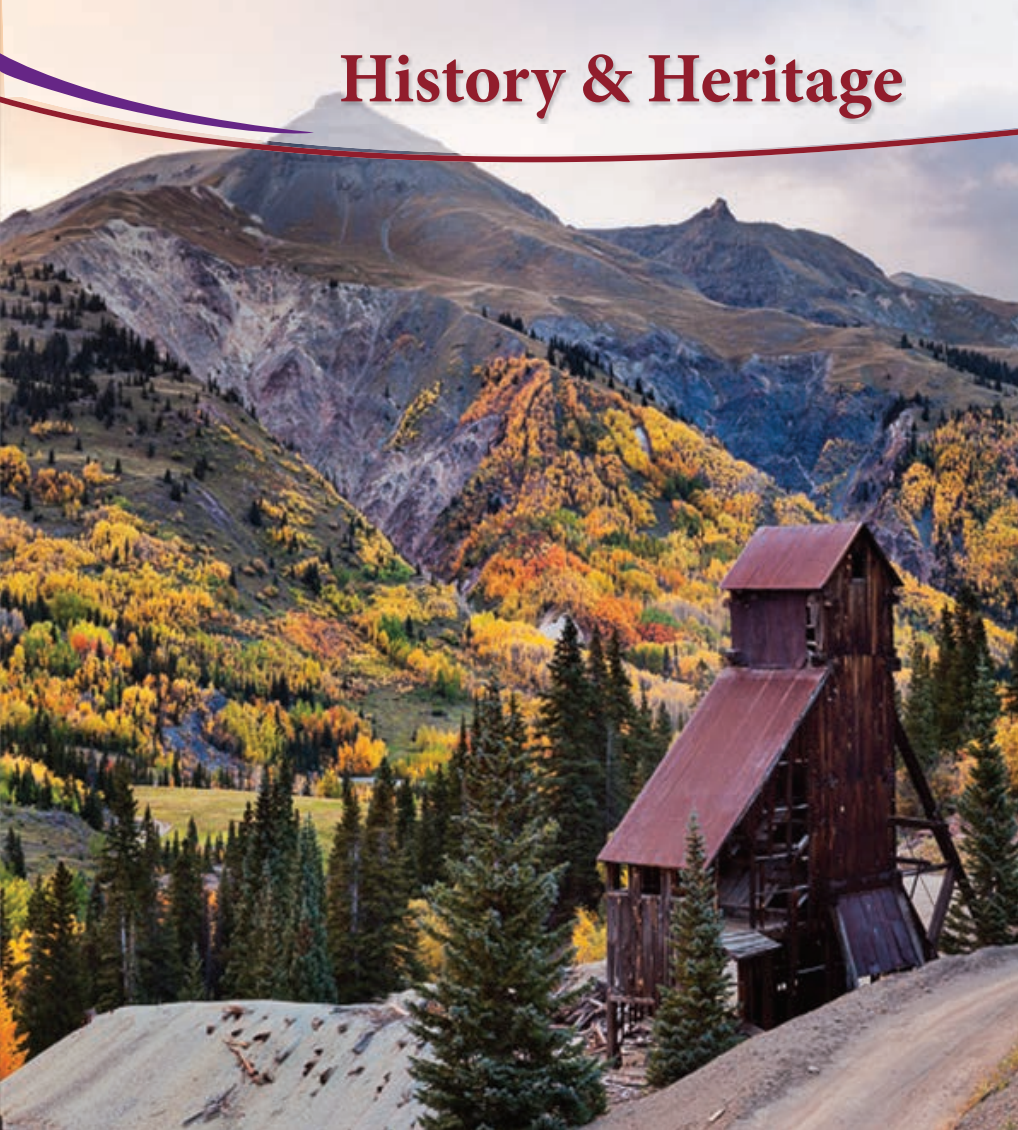
Silver was first discovered in the Animas Forks area in 1875. Because of the many mining camps tucked into the surrounding mountains, Animas Forks served as a junction for many of the miners. Telephone lines were brought into Animas Forks in the 1880’s and a stagecoach ran daily from Lake City to Silverton, via Animas Forks, over the rugged Engineer Pass. At its peak, this mining town had about 1,500 residents. The town was nearly deserted by 1901 but had a resurgence of activity in 1904 when the railroad was extended from Silverton.

The Gold Prince Mill, the first large mill in the region to have been framed with structural steel, was constructed in Animas Forks in 1907. It operated only until 1910 when it was dismantled and hauled to Eureka to build a new mill for the Sunnyside Mine. About 12 houses remain today, along with the Columbus Mill and the old jail structure.



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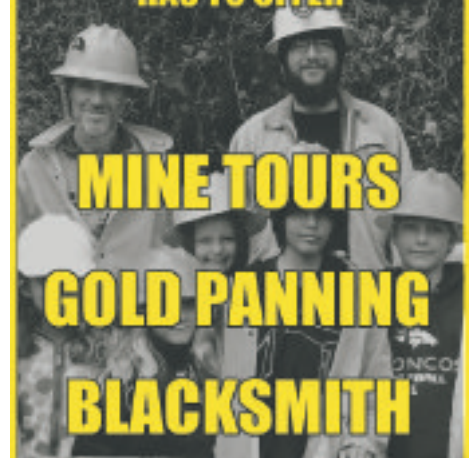
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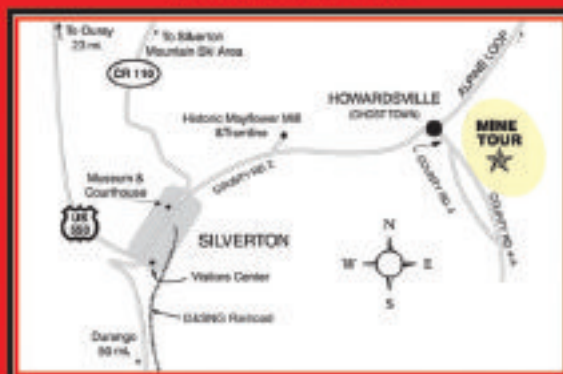
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BUSINESS NAME	CONTACT NUMBER	ADDRESSES	DESCRIPTION
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Ameri Alps ATV Adventure	970-316-1163	510 Main St amerialps.com	Come explore the scenic San Juan's on one of our new Polaris ATVs or side-by-sides. Guided tours also available!
ATV Ride-N Adventures LLC	435-310-0300	910 Main Street ride-n.com	ATV, UTV, dirt bike, or side-by-side rentals and tours, Scenic Adventure Tours (guide drives you in our adventure vehicle), Adventure Rides (ride your own vehicle and go on one of our planned rides).
Bachelor-Syracuse Mine Tours	970-325-0220	95 Gold Mt. Trail bachelorsyracusemine.com	After gearing up, your guide will reveal the mine's history, and explain how the miners worked as you venture into the mine. Become enriched with the terms, techniques, and tales of the mine as its rich heritage is unearthed.
Canyon Creek Jeep Rentals	970-325-4833	827 Main Street canyoncreekjeep.com	Rent our new Wrangler Sport Jeeps with all the comforts of your own car. Put the top down and immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of God's creation.
City of Ouray - Box Cañon Waterfall & Park	970-325-7080	CR 361 cityofouray.com/boxcanonfalls	Box Cañon Falls is the culmination of Canyon Creek narrowing and spilling thousands of gallons of water per minute. The water plummets into a narrow quartzite canyon with amazing power and force.
City of Ouray - Hot Springs Pool & Fitness Center	970-325-7073	1220 Main Street ourayhotsprings.com	Ouray's 250 by 150 foot public pool contains over a million gallons of crystal clear natural hot springs water, free from the strong smell of sulfur typical of many hot springs.
Colorado West Jeep Tours & Rentals	970-325-4014	701 Main Street coloradowestjeeps.com	Ride with the Best...Colorado West" Celebrating our 31st year in business. Let our experienced and knowledgeable guides show you the beauty of the San Juans. You will see ghost towns, mines, waterfalls, wildflowers and wildlife. Private tours available. You may also enjoy the beauty of the San Juans on your own, rent one of our 2015 Jeep Wranglers to go explore on your own. Polaris 1000UTV side-by-side rentals available too. We are the oldest "family" owned tour company in Ouray. The only tour company on Main Street.
Orvis Hot Springs	970-626-5324	1585 CR 3, Ridgway orvishotsprings.com	A natural Hot Springs nestled at the foot of the San Juan Mountains near the historic town of Ridgway, Colorado.
Ouray Mountain Adventures	970-325-4427	125 Third Avenue ouraymountainadventures.com	Explore the San Juan Mountains. Step back into history. See wild flowers, waterfalls, ghost towns, historic mining areas and wildlife (at their discretion). Discover the natural beauty of the Uncompahgre National Forest.
Ouray Riverside Inn Jeep Rentals	970-325-4061	1804 N. Main Street ourayriversideinn.com	Current model year Rubicon's, upgraded suspension, oversized off-road tires and calculated ground clearance provide the perfect equipment to explore the amazing San Juan trails. Add to that, extensive trail talks and friendly customer service and you have planned for an experience of a lifetime. Check out our Jeep-N-Sleep discounts!
Peak Mountain Guides, LLC	970-325-7342	280 7th Avenue peakmountainguides.com	The only guide service in the region with an entire staff of instructors and guides who are certified by the American Mountain Guides Association as Single Pitch Instructors, Rock Instructors, Rock Guides, Alpine Guides, or Ski Mountaineering Guides. Proudly offering ice climbing, rock climbing, mountaineering, backcountry skiing and avalanche courses in Ouray and beyond.
RIGS Adventure Co – Fly Shop and Guide Service	970-626-4460	565 Sherman, Ste. 2, Ridgway fishrigs.com	RIGS Adventure CO (10 minutes from Ouray!) features the finest Fly Shop, Fly Fishing Guide Service, family whitewater rafting and kayaking trips, photo tours, river tubes and boat rentals.
San Juan Balloon	970-626-5495	Ridgway sanjuanballoon.com	Come fly with us...and experience the gentle adventure of hot air ballooning over the spectacular Ridgway Valley, surrounded by snow-capped peaks, lush green mesas, and rugged rocky plateaus.
San Juan Mountain Guides, LLC	800-642-5389	725 Main Street mtnguide.net	San Juan Mountain Guides is the official concessionaire of the Ouray Ice Park, Private Ice Guiding, Ouray Rock Climbing, San Juan Backcountry Skiing and Avalanche Courses, Alpine Climbing, and Wilderness Backpacking in Colorado.
San Juan Scenic Jeep Tours	970-325-0089	206 & 210 7th Avenue sanjuanjeeptours.com	World's oldest jeep tour company. "We drive... you look!" ~ Ouray's original and only jeep tour company for 40 years... featured in National Geographic twice, CBS, C.W. McCall's "Blackbear Road," Washington Post, Dallas Morning News, et al. Jeep tours, jeep rentals, large groups, weddings, photography, all Ouray, Telluride, Silverton, Lake city routes + exclusive private "highway to heaven" Silverton caldera mountain top tour!
Switzerland of America Scenic Tours & Jeep Rentals	970-325-4484	226 7th Avenue soajeep.com	Switzerland of America, Inc. has been providing quality 4x4 Jeep adventures since 1962. Experience snow capped mountain peaks, colorful wildflowers, ghost towns and wildlife by an exciting guided tour, or rent a 2015 Jeep Wrangler and find your own hidden treasure! Black Bear Pass, family reunions, photography retreats and mountaintop weddings are our specialty. Stop in and see why we are Ouray's #1 choice for professional guides and unmatched customer service.
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Mild to Wild Rafting & Jeep Trail Tours	970-247-4789 800-567-6745	50 Animas View Dr., Durango Mild2WildRafting.com	Discover Colorado whitewater, adventure and history on a guided Raft, Inflatable Kayak, or Jeep Tour. Experience the Durango/Silverton Train combined with a Raft or Jeep Tour. Explore Mesa Verde National Park on our Discovery Tour. 20+ Years Adventure & Whitewater Experts! Reserve your fun today!
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San Juan Backcountry/Silverton-Molas Pass Snowmobile Tours	970-387-5565 800-494-8687	1119 Greene St., Silverton sanjuanbackcountry.com	We offer the best in snowmobiles, tours and great adventures. We are a family-owned business that caters to our customers. Seasonal specials, breakfast and lunch tours! Free use of helmet and winter gear!
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Aspen / Colorado Eclectic	970-209-2545	260 7th Avenue ouraycolorado.com/listing/aspen	Find something special. Home décor, Christmas, antiques, art, jewelry, unique gifts. Let us surprise you around the corner on 7th Avenue!
Aspen Light Glass Studio & Gallery	970-626-4414 970-930-1016	163 S. Lena St, Ridgway aspenlightstudio.com	Experience the art of kiln-formed glass at the personal studio and gallery of Colorado artist Diane Quarles. Her work specializes in fused glass impressionism --glass frit painting filled with the light, color, and texture using a variety of fusing techniques. From frit painted panels, to combed glass bowls, to elegant glass jewelry, her artwork focuses on the colorful, brilliant and unique.
Bear Creek	970-325-4227	824 Main Street ouraycolorado.com/listing/bearcreek	Fun and unique gifts and souvenirs, local artwork, Colorado and USA Made jewelry, hunting knives, wall art, signs, housewares, crystal, pottery, furnishings, collectibles, Snowbabies, Jim Shore and more.
Bloom	970-325-0645	645 Main Street faceook.com/Bloomouray	A MUST visit shop. Mountain, bohemian, & rustic style. Clothing, market bags, barware, furniture, decor, gifts, cards & wrap, & many more treasures found nowhere else in Ouray! Our creative, friendly staff can wrap & ship for convenience. Like us on Facebook & keep up with photos, new arrivals & events.
Blue Pear	970-325-0450	450 Main Street The-Blue-Pear.shoptiques.com	A delightful microcosm of home, body, & garden necessities. Body care, linens, custom jewelry, & unique gifts to excite your senses. Located on the Upper South Side in the Wright Opera House Building. We'll gladly wrap & ship. Join us on Facebook for updated gallery photos & information. Like us on Facebook
Buckskin Booksellers	970-325-4044	505 Main Street, Ste 110 buckskinbooksellers.com	New and old books, maps, collectibles, antiques, ephemera, Colorado minerals, gifts and more. All types of books, specializing in Colorado and the West.
Columbine Gifts and Jewelry	970-325-4222	614 Main Street ouraycolorado.com/listing/columbinegifts	Colorado-made products, Willowtree, Indian jewelry, Blackhills Gold jewelry and other jewelry.
Duckett's Market	970-325-4397	621 Main Street ouraycolorado.com/listing/duckett	A true family-owned and operated grocery store. We still do things the old way. Come try the best meat, cut fresh right on the premises. You'll be surprised at what we have to offer!
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Gumpshun Junction	970-325-4024	640 Main Street GumpshunJunction.com	Locally Made Colorado jewelry, hats, shirts & jackets made in the USA. Waffle Weave Sweats and the largest dealer of "Katina Marie" shirt tunic jackets. Open year round.
High Country Leathers and Lifestyles	970-325-4239	518 Main Street highcountryleathers.com	Ouray's Haberdasher of fine quality attire, distinctive vestments, and toggery crafted in the style of the latest infatuation. Covering the community head to toe since 1987.
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Khristopher's Culinaire	970-325-7311	545 Main Street facebook.com/khristophersculinaire	The KC is an independent family-owned and operated kitchen store. In addition to our kitchenware we have a wonderful selection of Colorado-made products and Fiery Foods. Gift baskets, gift certificates, gift registries and WE SHIP.
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Mouse's Chocolates and Coffee	970-325-7285	520 Main Street mouseschocolates.com	Most days, you'll find us making chocolate, eating chocolate, making coffee drinks, or simply drinking coffee when you stop by. Coffee beans, chocolates, espresso drinks, and all sorts of goodies await you.
North Moon Gallery	970-325-4885	722 Main Street facebook.com/northmoongallery	Our new location is fabulous and fun, our artists are simply the best! From local to international the creative spirit rocks at North Moon.
O'Toys	970-209-2545	242 7th Avenue otoysouray.com	Fun for all ages at your neighborhood toy store. Puzzles, games, Lego, pool toys, plush, science, music, crafts and art. Toys for babies to forever young. Come play with us!
Ouray Alchemist	970-325-4003	533 Main Street ouraycolorado.com/listing/alchemyist	We have a wide selection of rare items and antiques from furniture to glassware. Most of our large section of jewelry is made locally. We also feature original paintings from Colorado artist Tom Lockhart, and prints from other famous artists. We ship!
Ouray Glassworks and Pottery	970-325-0275	619 Main Street ourayglassworks.com	Watch Sam demonstrate the ancient art of glassblowing and enjoy Di's pottery made in Ouray. Made in Ouray artwork.
Ouray Liquors	970-325-0784	738 Main Street facebook.com/ourayliquors	Offering the region's most exciting selection of craft, import, and domestic brews with an extensive wine inventory and thorough spirits section. Tobacco products, mixers, and ice available as well.
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Salon Envy	970-325-7324	736 Main Street envyouray.com	Our services include manicures, pedicures, all hair services, make up, waxing and ear piercing. We have a great selection of hair products as well. We also accommodate weddings Open Tues-Sat, year round.
Skol Studio and Design	970-325-7290	812 Main Street skolstudio.com	Skol Gallery displays fine art by local and regional artists. Custom metal work is available by Jeff Skoloda. Come and enjoy our outdoor sculpture garden!
Wildflower Boutique & Colorado Made	970-325-4089	735 Main Street ouraywildflower.com	Offering a unique, mountain-boutique experience, Wildflower is the local's "go-to" shop for consciously made products, quality clothing, and one-of-a-kind gifts. Visit our expanded "Made in Colorado" room featuring an eclectic mix of artisan products from Ouray and beyond. Follow us on Facebook and at www.ouraywildflower.com

Dining Out

BUSINESS NAME	CONTACT NUMBER	ADDRESSES	FOOD TYPE	BREAKFAST, LUNCH, DINNER	VEGGIE (V), GLUTEN FREE (GF)	PATIO	BAR/ BREWERY	LIVE MUSIC	WIFI	YEAR ROUND
Artisan Bakery	970-325-4677	460 Main Street ouraycolorado.com/listing/abakery	Coffees, sandwiches, pastries	BL	V, GF				✓	✓
Beaumont Grill	970-325-7050	505 Main Street beaumontotel.com/dine	American	LD	V, GF	✓	✓			✓
Bon Ton Restaurant	970-325-4419	426 Main Street bontonrestaurant.com	Pastas, seafood, Italian, steak	D	V, GF	✓	✓			✓
Buen Tiempo Mexican Restaurant	970-325-4544	515 Main Street buentiemporestaurant.com	Mexican	LD	V, GF	✓	✓			✓
Cavallo's Restaurant	970-325-2042	630 Main Street facebook.com/cavalliosrestaurant	Cajun-Creole / American	BLD	V, GF		✓	✓	✓	✓
Colorado Boy Brewing Co.	970-626-5333	602 Clinton St., Ridgway coloradoboy.com	Artisan pizza and salads	D		✓	✓	✓		✓
Creekside Café at the Ouray KOA	970-325-4736	225 County Road 23 koa.com/campgrounds/ouray	Homestyle breakfast, Texas BBQ	BD	V	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Four Corner's Café at the Chipeta Solar Springs Resort & Spa	970-626-3737	304 S. Lena St., Ridgway chipeta.com	Southwestern	BD	V, GF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Goldbelt Bar & Grill	970-325-7323	800 Main Street ouraycolorado.com/listing/goldbelt	Homemade burgers and desserts. GF Pizza	LD	V, GF	✓	✓			✓
Historic Western Hotel, Restaurant and Saloon	970-325-4645	210 Seventh Avenue historicwesternhotel.com	Catering by Appointment	BLD	V, GF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
KJ Wood Distillers	303-517-7697	929 Main St kjwooddistillers.com	New American Cuisine	BLD	V, GF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mine Shaft Restaurant & Tiki Bar	970-325-4427	125 3rd Avenue twinpeakslodging.com	Pizza, hamburgers, broasted chicken, wings	D	V, GF	✓	✓		✓	
Mouse's Chocolates and Coffee	970-325-7285	524 Main Street mouseschocolates.com	Handmade chocolates, coffee, espresso		V, GF				✓	✓
O'Brien's Pub & Grill	970-325-4386	726 Main Street obrienspubouray.com	Irish-American	LD	V, GF	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ouray Brewery	970-325-7388	607 Main Street ouraybrewery.com	American	LD	V, GF	✓	✓		✓	✓
Outlaw Restaurant	970-325-4366	610 Main Street outlawrestaurant.com	American Steaks & Seafood	D	V, GF	✓	✓	✓		✓
Timberline Deli	970-325-4958	803 Main Street ouraycolorado.com/listing/timberlinedeli	American	BL	V, GF	✓			✓	



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Hotels, Motels, Lodges and Resorts

BUSINESS NAME	CONTACT NUMBER	ADDRESSES	# UNITS	RATES	PET FRIENDLY	HOT SPGS, HOT TUB POOL	INTERNET	FRIG & MICRO	COMP BFST
Antlers Motel	970-325-4589	407 Main Street antlersouray.com	17	\$55-135	✓		✓	✓	
Beaumont Hotel and Spa	970-325-7000 888-447-3255	505 Main Street beaumonthotel.com	12	\$129-309		✓	✓		✓
Box Canyon Lodge and Hot Springs	970-325-4981 800-327-5080	45 Third Avenue boxcanyonouray.com	39	\$95-300		✓	✓	✓	✓
Chipeta Solar Springs Resort and Spa	970-626-3737 800-633-5868	304 S Lena St., Ridgway chipeta.com	25	\$145-245	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Historic Western Hotel	970-325-4645 888-624-8403	210 Seventh Avenue historicwesternhotel.com	14	\$40-105			✓		
Hotel Ouray	970-325-0500	303 Sixth Avenue hotelouray.com	14	\$69-189			✓	✓	✓
Hot Springs Inn	970-325-7277 800-706-7790	1400 Main Street hotspringsinn.com	42	\$73-210		✓	✓	✓	✓
Main Street Inn and Miners Cabin	970-316-1178	334 Main Street mainstrethouseinn.com	4	\$69-149	✓		✓	✓	
Matterhorn Inn Ouray	970-325-4938	201 Sixth Avenue matterhorninnouray.com	25	\$60-150	✓		✓	✓	✓
Ouray Chalet Inn	970-325-4331 800-924-2538	510 Main Street ouraychaletinn.com	32	\$60-135		✓	✓	✓	
Ouray Comfort Inn	970-325-7203 800-438-5713	191 Fifth Avenue ouraycomfortinn.net	33	\$69-194	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ouray Inn	970-325-4445	120 W. 6th Avenue ourayinn.com	18	\$59-149	✓		✓	✓	✓
Ouray Riverside Inn and Cabins	970-325-4061 800-432-4170	1804 Main Street ourayriversideinn.com	30	\$66-245	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Ouray Victorian Inn	970-325-7222 800-846-8729	50 Third Avenue victorianinnouray.com	45	\$89-200	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ridgway-Ouray Lodge and Suites	970-626-5444 800-368-5444	373 Palomino Trail RidgwayLodgeAndSuites.com	52	\$86-122	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rivers Edge Lodge, Resort & Motel	970-325-4621 866-739-4987	110 Seventh Avenue riversedgeouray.com	20	\$59-250	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
San Juan Chalet	970-318-1144	115 6th Avenue sanjuanchalet.com	4	\$65-165	✓		✓	✓	
Timber Ridge Lodge	970-325-4856	1550 Main Street TimberRidgeOuray.com	20	\$49-149	✓		✓	✓	
Twin Peaks Lodge and Hot Springs	970-325-4427 800-207-2700	125 Third Avenue twinpeakslodging.com	56	\$98-350	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wiesbaden Hot Springs Spa and Lodgings	970-325-4347	625 Fifth Street wiesbadenhotsprings.com	21	\$132-189		✓	✓	✓	

Accommodations

Bed and Breakfasts

BUSINESS NAME	CONTACT NUMBER	ADDRESSES	# UNITS	RATES	PET FRIENDLY	HOT SPRINGS, HOT TUB POOL	INTERNET
A Secret Garden	970-596-3730	101 6th Avenue secretgardenouray.com	5	\$110-175		✓	✓
Black Bear Manor B&B	970-325-4219	118 Sixth Avenue blackbearmanor.com	9	\$99-299		✓	✓
Bridal Veil B&B	970-325-4117	1715 Main Street bridalveilbandb.com	2	\$100-199			✓
China Clipper Inn	970-325-0565	525 Second Street chinaclipperinn.com	13	\$115-239		✓	✓
Ouray 1898 House	303-518-0160	322 Main Street ouray1898house.com	2	\$90-140			✓
St. Elmo Hotel	970-325-4951 866-243-1502	426 Main Street stelmohtel.com	9	\$85-185		✓	✓

Cabins, Condos and Vacation Rentals

BUSINESS NAME	CONTACT NUMBER	ADDRESSES	# UNITS	RATES	PET FRIENDLY	HOT SPRINGS, HOT TUB POOL	INTERNET
A Getaway In Ouray	970-325-0270	445 Main Street agogallery.com	1	\$185-250			
Alpenglow Resort Rentals	970-325-4664 866-739-4817	215 Fifth Avenue alpenglowouray.com	8	\$99-400		✓	✓
Alpine Hideaway	970-729-2268 512-626-3674	232 Main Street alpinehideawayouray.com	4+	\$79-149	✓		✓
Brown Cabin	970-729-2268	282 Red Stone Road ouraycolorado.com/listing/brown	1	\$160			✓
Chipeta Solar Springs Resort & Spa	970-626-3737	304 S Lena St., Ridgway chipeta.com	25	\$145-245	✓	✓	✓
Elkhorn Townhomes	970-596-7784	Main Street, Ouray elkhorntowns.com	2	\$129-299	✓		✓
Lane's Cabin	909-477-3273 970-596-0877	927 County Road 17 ouraycolorado.com/listing/lanescabin	1	Call			✓
Lane's Victorian House	909-477-3273 970-596-0877	311 4th Street ouraycolorado.com/listing/lanes	2	Call			✓
Lindsey & Company Real Estate	970-325-4663	635 Main Street rentalsinouray.com	6	\$150-300	✓		✓
Ouray Alchemist Penthouse Suite	970-325-4003 970-325-4172	533 Main Street vrbo.com/330308	1	\$185-255			✓
Ouray County Properties and Vacation Rentals	970-729-2268	316 6th Avenue ouraycountyproperties.com	12	\$99-245	✓		✓
Ouray Hot Springs House	913-707-6488	960 Main Street vrbo.com/210239	2	\$135-225			✓
Ouray Mountain Vacations	970-596-7784	Ouray myourayvacation.com	13	\$89-299	✓	✓	✓
Ouray River Park Townhomes	970-325-7280	Park Road ouraytownhomes.com	8	\$190-240			✓
Ouray Riverside Inn & Cabins	970-325-4061 800-432-4170	1804 Main St ourayriversideinn.com	11	\$48-175	✓	✓	✓
Ouray Vacation Rentals	970-325-7280	505 Main Street ourayvacationrentals.net	50	\$140-500	✓	✓	✓
Rest Inn Ouray Cabin	720-334-7729	Near Black Lake on Elkhorn vrbo.com/566693	1	\$429-450			✓
Ridgway State Park Yurts	800-678-2267	28555 Hwy 550, Ridgway cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/ridgway	3	\$77	✓		
Simba Suites	970-318-6546	732 Main Street vrbo.com/71626 vrbo.com/91395	2	\$175-225			✓
Singer Cabin	970-325-4016	210 Portland Road singeracabin.com	2	\$90-100	✓		
Whispering Pines Home	970-318-9025	271 Whispering Pines vrbo.com/390326	1	\$150-300	✓		✓

Accommodations

Camping, Campgrounds and RV Parks

BUSINESS NAME	CONTACT NUMBER	ADDRESSES	# SITES	RATES	ELEC. HOOK UP	WATER	SHOWER	FLUSH TOILETS	TENTS	TRASH	SEWER HOOK UP
4J+1+1 RV Park	970-325-4418	790 Oak Street ouraycolorado.com/listing/rv4j	55	\$24-36	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Amphitheater Campground	877-444-6777	HWY 550 South recreation.gov	35	\$20		✓		VAULTS	✓	✓	
Angel Creek Campground		Camp Bird Road bit.ly/angelcreek	8	\$10				VAULTS	✓		
Ouray KOA	970-325-4736	225 County Road 23 koa.com/campgrounds/ouray	100+	\$30+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ouray RV Park and Cabins	970-325-4523	1700 Main Street ourayrvpark.com	60	\$35-40	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Ridgway State Park	800-678-2267	28555 HWY 550, Ridgway cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/ridgway	283	\$23-33	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Thistledown Campground		Camp Bird Road bit.ly/thistledown	9	\$10				VAULTS	✓	✓	
Weber RV Park and Campground	970-626-5383	20725 Hwy 550, Ridgway ouraycolorado.com/listing/weber	25	\$15-30	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



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Alpine Bank

970-325-4200
917 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
alpinebank.com

Citizens State

Bank of Ouray
970-325-4478
600 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
csbouray.com

Churches

Calvary Community Church

970-325-4049
680 Second Street
Ouray, CO 81427
cavgo.org

Ouray Christian Fellowship

970-325-4253
336 Fourth Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraychristianfellowship.org

St. John's Episcopal Church

970-325-4655
335 Fifth Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
stjohnsouray.com

United Church of the San Juans

970-626-5803
295 North Lena Street
Ridgway, CO 81432
ucsjrldgway.org

City and County Contacts

City of Ouray
City Administration
970-325-7211

Ouray Police Department
970-325-7068

Ouray Volunteer Fire Department

970-325-7069
320 Sixth Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
cityofouray.com

Ouray County Courthouse
970-325-7320

Ouray County EMS

970-325-7275
Ouray County Sherriff
970-325-7272
541 Fourth Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycountyco.gov

Ouray Library District

970-325-4616
320 Sixth Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
ouray.colibraries.org

Ouray School District R-1

970-325-4505
400 Seventh Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
ouray.k12.co.us

Ouray Visitor's Center

970-325-4746
1230 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycolorado.com

Ridgway Area Chamber of Commerce

970-626-5181
150 Racecourse Road
Ridgway, CO 81432
ridgwaycolorado.com

Ridgway School District R-2

970-626-4320
1115 West Clinton Street
Ridgway, CO 81432
ridgway.k12.co.us

Dining

Artisan Bakery

970-325-4677
460 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycolorado.com/listing/abakery

Beaumont Grill

970-325-7050
505 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
beaumonthotel.com/dine

Bon Ton Restaurant

970-325-4419
426 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
bontonrestaurant.com

Buen Tiempo Mexican Restaurant

970-325-4544
515 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
buentiemporestaurant.com

Cavallo's

970-325-2042
630 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
cavallosrestaurant

Colorado Boy Brewing Co.

970-626-5333
602 Clinton Street
Ridgway, CO 81432
coloradoboy.com

Four Corner's Café at the Chipeta Solar Springs Resort & Spa

970-626-3737
304 South Lena Street
Ridgway, CO 81432
chipeta.com

Goldbelt Bar & Grill

970-325-7323
800 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycolorado.com/listing/goldbelt

Historic Western Hotel, Restaurant & Saloon

970-325-4645
210 Seventh Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
historicwesternhotel.com

K.J. Wood Distillers, LLC

303-517-7697
929 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycolorado.com/listing/kjwood

Mine Shaft Restaurant & Tiki Bar

970-325-4427
125 Third Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
twinpeakslodging.com

Mouse's Chocolates and Coffee

970-325-7285
520 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
mouseschocolates.com

O'Brien's Pub & Grill

970-325-4386
726 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
obrienspubouray.com

Ouray Brewery

970-325-7388
607 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraybrewery.com

Ouray KOA

Creekside Café
970-325-4736
225 County Road 23
Ouray, CO 81427
koa.com/campgrounds/ouray

Outlaw Restaurant

970-325-4366
610 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
outlawrestaurant.com

The Ouray Mine Shack

970-325-4299
920 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81403
facebook.com/the-mine-shack-of-ouray/341755469191802

The Wild Fork

1220 Main Street
Ouray Hot Springs Pool
ouraycolorado.com/listing/wildfork

Timberline Deli

970-325-4958
803 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycolorado.com/listing/timberlinedeli

True Grit Café

970-626-5739
123 N. Lena
Ridgway, CO 81432
truegritcafe.com

Event Planning & Catering

A Secret Garden Bed & Breakfast & Catering

970-596-3730
101 Sixth Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
secretgardenouray.com

Beaumont Hotel & Spa

970-325-7000
505 Main Street
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beaumonthotel.com

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bontonrestaurant.com

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970-325-7065
320 Sixth Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
cityofouray.com

Ouray County

4-H Event Center
970-626-3304
22739 HWY 550
Ridgway, CO 81432
ouraycountyeventvenues.com

Ouray Elks Lodge #BPOE 492

970-325-4510
421 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ourayelks.org

Sherbino Theater

970-318-0892
604 Clinton Street
Ridgway, CO 81432
sherbinotheater.com

Top of the Pines

970-318-6744
PO Box 535
Ridgway, CO 81432
topofthepines.org

True Grit Café

970-626-5739
123 N. Lena
Ridgway, CO 81432
truegritcafe.com

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970-325-4427
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twinpeakslodging.com

The Wright Opera House
970-325-4399
472 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
thewrightoperahouse.org

Health and Wellness

Beaumont Hotel & Spa
970-325-7000
505 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
beaumonthotel.com/spa

Chipeta Solar Springs Spa
970-626-3737
304 South Lena Street
Ridgway, CO 81432
chipeta.com

Elevate Day Spa
970-325-7233
308 Sixth Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
elevatedayspa.com

Inner Mountain Yoga
970-325-4553
319 Sixth Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
innermountainyoga.com

Orvis Hot Springs & Massage
970-626-5324
1585 County Road 3
Ridgway, CO 81432
orvishotsprings.com

Ouray Dental Clinic
970-325-4800
309 Sixth Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycolorado.com/listing/
ouraydentist

Ouray Hot Springs Pool & Fitness Center
970-325-7073
1220 Main St.
Ouray, CO 81427
ourayhotsprings.com

Salon Envy
970-325-7324
736 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
envyouray.com

The Cutting Edge Hair Salon
970-325-0757
310 Eighth Avenue
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycolorado.com/listing/
cutting

Wiesbaden Hot Springs Spa & Lodgings
970-325-4347
625 Fifth Street
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wiesbadenhotsprings.com

Hotels, Motels, Bed and Breakfasts

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secretgardenouray.com

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407 Main Street
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antlersouray.com

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boxcanyonouray.com

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970-325-4117
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970-247-2733
479 Main Avenue
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durangotrain.com

Ouray Alchemist Pharmacy Museum
970-325-4003
533 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycolorado.com/listing/
ourayalchemist

Ouray County Historical Society
970-325-4576
420 Sixth Ave
Ouray, CO, 81427
ouraycountyhistoricalsociety.org

Ouray County Ranch History Museum
970-318-1190
206 County Road 1
Colona, CO 81403
ocrhm.org

Ridgway Railroad Museum
970-626-4373
150 Racecourse Road
Ridgway, CO 81432
ridgwayrailroadmuseum.org

Non-Profits
4 Corners Film Office
720-295-6570
295 A Girard Street
Durango, CO 81301
4cornersfilloffice.org

Chicks With Picks/ Freelance Adventures
720-626-4424
PO Box 486
Ridgway, CO 81432
chickwithpicks.net

KURA Radio 98.9 FM
970-325-7289
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ourayradio.com

Mt. Sneffels Education Foundation
970-325-0967
PO Box 1883
Ouray, CO 81427
mtsneffels.org

Ouray Canyon Festival
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PO BOX 1057
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycanyonfestival.net

Ouray County Arts Association
970-325-0808
PO Box 167
Ouray, CO 81427
ourayarts.org

Ouray County Performing Arts Guild
970-626-2970
PO Box 14
Ouray, CO 81427
ocpag.org

Ouray County Rodeo Association, Inc.
970-626-3304
PO Box 711
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ouraycountyrodeo.com

Ouray Elks Lodge BPOE #492
970-325-4510
421 Main Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ourayelks.org

Ouray Ice Park
970-325-4288
County Road 361
Ouray, CO 81427
ourayicepark.com

Ouray Mountain Rescue
107 County Road 361
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraymountainrescue.com

Ouray Trail Group
970-325-4205
PO Box 50
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraytrails.org

Region 10 League for Economic Assistance & Planning
970-249-2436
300 N. Cascade Ave, Suite 1
Montrose, CO 81401
region10.net

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970-626-2273
177 County Road 10
Ridgway, CO 81432
adoptmountainpets.org

Sherbino Theater
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604 Clinton Street
Ridgway, CO 81432
sherbinoteater.com

Small Business Development Center at Western State Colorado University
970-943-3157
211 Savage Library
Gunnison, CO 81231
western.edu/sbdc

Top of the Pines
970-318-6744
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topofthepines.org

Voyager Youth Group
970-626-4279
112 Village Square, Suite 230
Ridgway, CO 81432
voyageryouthprogram.org

Weehawken Creative Arts
970-318-0150
1075 Sherman Street,
Suite 201
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weehawkenarts.org

Wright Opera House
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Ouray, CO 81427
thewrightoperahouse.org

Professional Services
Blackthorn Custom Builders, LLC
970-626-2626
PO Box 257
Ouray, CO 81427
blackthorncustombuilders.com

Brown Mountain Broadcasting
970-325-2158
331 Sixth Avenue #3
Ouray, CO 81427
mountainchill.com

Certified Folder
970-209-8132
17083 6725 Road
Montrose, CO 81401
certifiedfolder.com

Chris' Pet Grooming
970-325-4822
1980 Oak Street
Ouray, CO 81427
ouraycolorado.com/
listing/breeds

Country Graphics & Wayfinder Press
970-626-5452
PO BOX 217
Ridgway, CO 81432
wayfinderpress.us

Durango Magazine
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128-A W. 14th St.
Durango, CO 81301
durangomagazine.com

Flower Motor Company
970-249-9664
2580 North Townsend
Avenue
Montrose, CO 81401
flowermotor.com

Hockersmith & Mueller, P.C.
970-325-4414
645 Second Street
Ouray, CO 81427
hmlawpc.com

Joe Skalsky Photography
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PO BOX 1383
Ouray, CO 81427
joeskalsky.zenfolio.com

Kane Design, LLC
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555 Clinton Street
Ridgway, CO 81432
kanedesign.com

Kent Shields Productions
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PO Box 986
Ouray, CO 81427
kentshields.com

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mbcgrandbroadcasting.com

Monadnock Mineral Services
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PO Box 85
Ouray, CO 81427
mmsouray.com

Mountain Geogeek, LLC
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380 W. Sherman Street
Suite 8B
Ridgway, CO 81432
mtngeogeek.com

Ouray County Plaindealer
970-325-4412
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Pioneer Propane
970-874-9100
743 1325 Road
Delta, CO 81416
ouraycolorado.com/listing/
pioneer

Proven Technologies, LLC
970-626-4169
66 Bluestem Drive
Ridgway, CO 81432
proven-technologies.com

San Miguel Power Association
970-626-5549
720 North Railroad Street
Ridgway, CO 81432
smpa.com

Source Gas Distribution
800-563-0012
2183 E. Main St.
Montrose, CO 81401
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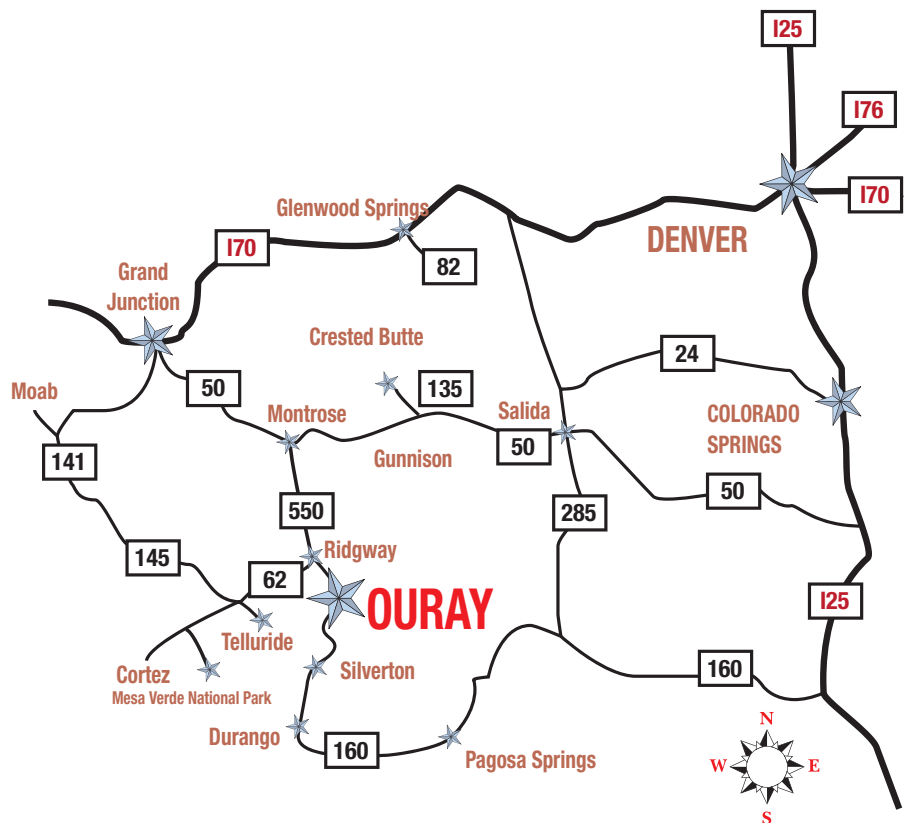
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Aspen, CO	•	121	274	117	302	42	128	204	240	139	206	176	362	118	167	199	205
Cedaredge, CO	121	•	172	15	143	134	55	101	167	37	103	73	203	59	65	96	102
Cortez, CO	274	172	•	157	46	312	227	200	114	135	109	116	104	238	107	94	76
Delta, CO	117	15	157	•	129	120	40	86	152	22	88	58	189	46	50	82	88
Durango, CO	302	143	46	129	•	248	168	171	160	107	121	71	60	174	82	48	108
Glenwood Springs, CO	42	134	312	120	248	•	87	207	198	142	203	178	281	76	169	201	207
Grand Junction, CO	128	55	227	40	168	87	•	127	114	62	123	98	229	12	90	122	128
Gunnison, CO	204	101	200	86	171	207	127	•	238	64	131	101	165	132	92	124	130
Moab, UT	240	167	114	152	160	198	114	238	•	173	100	150	219	124	138	151	133
Montrose, CO	139	37	135	22	107	142	62	64	173	•	66	36	167	67	28	60	66
Norwood, CO	206	103	109	88	121	203	123	131	100	66	•	50	181	129	38	73	33
Ouray, CO	176	73	116	58	71	178	98	101	150	36	50	•	131	103	12	23	54
Pagosa Springs, CO	362	203	104	189	60	281	229	165	219	167	181	131	•	234	142	108	133
Palisade, CO	118	59	238	46	174	76	12	132	124	67	129	103	234	•	95	127	133
Ridgway, CO	167	65	107	50	82	169	90	92	138	28	38	12	142	95	•	35	38
Silverton, CO	199	96	94	82	48	201	122	124	151	60	73	23	108	127	35	•	61
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