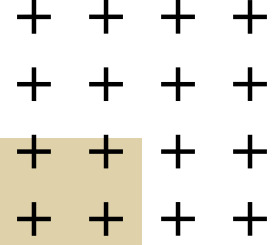


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The Best of Colorado Springs

A GUIDE TO THE CITY WE LOVE!





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START PLANNING YOUR TRIP TO COLORADO SPRINGS



TOP 10

spots in Colorado Springs

1



Pikes Peak - America's Mountain

 **Cascade**

Looking for a dramatic photo-op or bucket-list adventure? Pikes Peak is the place to visit. You can drive, bike, take a ride on the cog railway or private shuttle, or even hike to the summit of this massive fourteener. Along the way you may be able to spot a 2,000 year old bristlecone pine or bighorn sheep, and depending on the day, you can see five states at the summit: Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, and Kansas. The Summit Visitor Center, resting at a breath-defying 14,115 feet above sea level, offers interactive exhibits, panoramic views, snacks, and a break from the chilly summit air, which is always 20 to 30 degrees colder than at the base.

5089 Pikes Peak Hwy., Cascade 80809
719-385-7325 | DrivePikesPeak.com



2

Garden of the Gods

📍 Colorado Springs

Don't miss one of the most incredible geological wonders of the world filled with dramatic views for you to discover. Come and admire the 300-foot tall sandstone rock formations that stand against the backdrop of the magnificent Pikes Peak and radiant blue skies. You can also find an assortment of events, tours, and activities to make exploring this breathtaking natural landmark even more exciting. No visit to Garden of the Gods is complete without a stop at the Trading Post. There you can find a well-curated art gallery featuring works by contemporary Western artists and traditional Native American jewelry, pottery, rugs, and sculptures.

1805 North 30th St., Colorado Springs 80904
719-634-6666 | GardenofGods.com

3

The Broadmoor Seven Falls

📍 Colorado Springs

A series of seven cascading waterfalls dive 181 feet into a tranquil pool. View the scenic wonder of seven falls at the top of 224 stairs or, for non-climbers, you can take an elevator to the Eagle's Nest Viewing Platform. You can also enjoy the stunning waterfall from the deck at the bottom of the falls, where you can see and hear the rush of the falls burst through the massive granite formations (known as the Pillars of Hercules) before crashing into the pool. If Restaurant 1858 is open, treat yourself to lunch or dinner surrounded by the magnificence of nature.



1045 Lower Gold Camp Rd., Colorado Springs 80905
719-476-6708 | SevenFalls.com



4

Broadmoor, Manitou, Pikes Peak Cog Railway

📍 Manitou Springs

Take a ride on the highest cog railway in the world and enjoy an unforgettable experience. Find picturesque views, waterfalls, and aspen trees on the nine mile journey between the quaint mountain town of Manitou Springs and the soaring summit of Pikes Peak.

515 Ruxton Ave., Manitou Springs 80829
719-685-5401 | CogRailway.com



5

Cave of the Winds Mountain Park

📍 Manitou Springs

A historic national landmark filled with remarkable formations waiting to be discovered by you. Explore these famous caves with either the 45-minute Discovery Tour where you can explore the striking formations of the cave, or explore the mysterious and unimproved Manitou Grand Caverns by candlelight on the 90-minute Haunted Lantern Tour. Do you dare to take the plunge 200-feet into Williams Canyon at nearly 100 mph on the giant canyon swing, the Terror-Dactyl? If not, maybe flying across the canyon at 35 mph on the Bat-A-Pult is for you. There's also the three story Wind Walker Challenge Course, the Cliffhanger Climbing Wall, and Geronimo's Leap!

100 Cave of the Winds Rd., Manitou Springs 80629
719-685-5444 | CaveoftheWinds.com

6

Olympic & Paralympic Museum

📍 Colorado Springs

The U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Museum offers a timeless experience that captures the history of Team USA at the Olympic and Paralympic games through immersive, accessible, and profoundly inspirational exhibits depicting the personal stories, challenges, and triumphs of U.S. Olympic and Paralympic athletes. The museum aims to honor legends and stoke the hopes and dreams of future generations, while perpetuating the Olympic and Paralympic values of excellence, friendship, respect, determination, equality, inspiration, and courage.

200 S Sierra Madre St., Colorado Springs 80903
719-497-1234 | USOPM.org



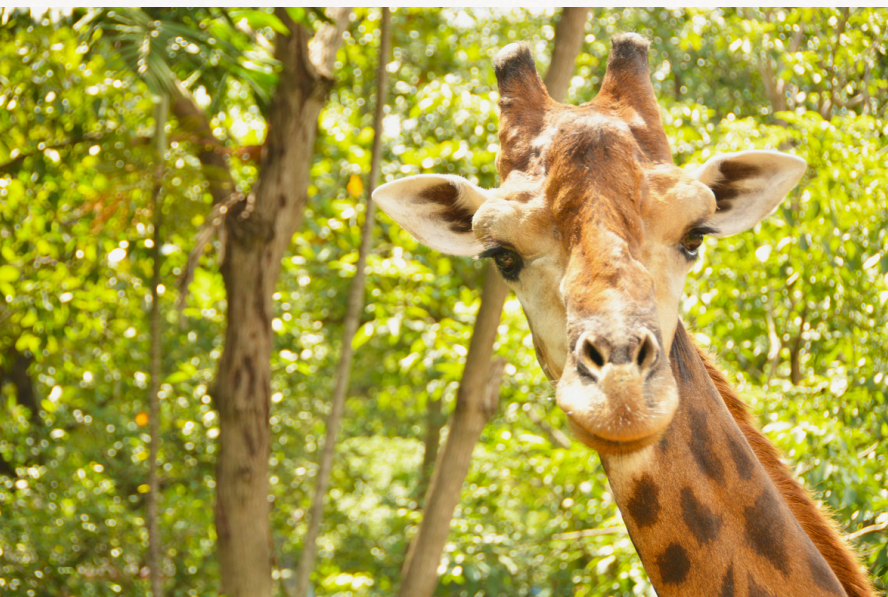
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Cheyenne Mountain Zoo

📍 Colorado Springs

At this zoo, you can do more than just watch. Here you can feed the giraffes, attend animal demos to learn about animal behavior and the various different species, and take a ride on the Mountaineer Sky Ride. Depending on the season, you can also feed a rhino, an elephant, goats, and chickens too! Located 6,714 feet up, Cheyenne Mountain Zoo has breathtaking view of the city and exciting encounters with animals from across the globe.

4250 Cheyenne Mtn Zoo Rd., Colorado Springs 80906
719-633-9925 | CMZoo.org





8

Historic Manitou Springs

📍 Manitou Springs

Tucked at the base of Pikes Peak is the quaint mountain town of Manitou Springs known for its historic charm. It is home to amazing galleries, historic inns, noteworthy restaurants, the penny arcade, the not-for-a-casual hike Manitou Incline, and the eight lively drinking springs for which the town is named. The ziplines above town offer an only-in-Manitou experience. The best way to explore is on foot, stopping whenever something piques your interest - because something will.

354 Manitou Ave., Manitou Springs 80829
719-685-5089 | ManitouSprings.org

9

Manitou Cliff Dwellings

📍 Manitou Springs

Explore the Manitou Cliff Dwellings to see and feel what it may have been like to live 700 years ago for the Ancestral Puebloan people. This remarkable 40-room site was arduously moved between 1904 and 1907 from its original location near Mesa Verde in southwestern Colorado, to protect and preserve it at a time when looting and relic-hunting was rampant.

Below the dwellings is a pueblo-style building that houses a museum that depicts what we know about daily life of the mysterious cliff dwellers, whose lasting architectural masterpieces have intrigued many for centuries.



10 Cliff Rd., Manitou Springs 80829
719-685-5242 | CliffDwellingMuseum.com



10

Royal Gorge Bridge & Park

📍 Cañon City

Suspended high over the vast gorge, take a stroll across the 1,257 wood planks of the Royal Gorge Bridge and peer down at the the river 956 feet below. For the best view, you must see it from afar. Take the aerial gondola to truly appreciate its almost delicate beauty. You can also view it as you're flung out over the gorge on the Royal Rush Skycoaster or fly hands-free past it on the exhilarating Cloudscraper Zip Line. After all that excitement, relax at one of the gorge-side restaurants.

4218 County Rd 3A, Cañon City 81212
719-275-7507 | RoyalGorgeBridge.com



THE PIKES PEAK REGION

DISCOVER
THE
DISTRICTS

Travel Guide



Downtown COLORADO SPRINGS

The cultural and entertainment heart of Olympic City USA. Take a self-guided tour of Art on the Streets and discover diverse cuisine. You can also find five museums, three performance venues, and four bookstores.

Distance from UCCS | 6 Miles



Manitou SPRINGS

Explore this charming mountain town tucked at the base of Pikes Peak. Find activities full of adventure, relaxation, history, and more for the whole family. Taste the healing mineral waters from the natural springs, play at the vintage penny arcade, or try the infamous Manitou Incline.

Distance from UCCS | 11 Miles



OLD Colorado CITY

Find an amazing experience with a multitude of boutiques, galleries, and locally owned restaurants along Colorado Avenue. Find a variety of events throughout the year like the farmer's market in Bancroft Park.

Distance from UCCS | 6 Miles



Monument & PALMER LAKE

Just north of Colorado Springs, explore hidden gems that offer tranquility, excellent dining options and unique, locally owned shops. You'll find great trails for hiking, biking, and wildlife watching. Climb to the top of Mount Herman for breathtaking views of Monument, the Air Force Academy, and the Eastern Plains of Colorado.

Distance from UCCS | 15 Miles



Cañon City & FLORENCE

Head southwest to Cañon City for family fun and thrilling adventures. Visit the Royal Gorge Bridge & Park to walk on America's highest suspension bridge and find other family-fun attractions. You can also book rafting experiences and jeep tours.

Distance from UCCS | 52 Miles



Cripple Creek & VICTOR

Explore these charming mountain towns. Victor has quaint hotels, gold mine museums and tours, cute shops, and Pikes Peak trails. Cripple Creek has several hotels and casinos, the Narrow Gauge Railroad, Mollie Kathleen Gold Mine, Cripple Creek Heritage Center, Outlaw & Lawmen Jail Museum and the cutest herd of free-range donkeys you can take selfies with.

Distance from UCCS | 50 Miles



Woodland PARK & UTE PASS

Journey up Ute Pass and explore the adventure, charm, and activities in Cascade, Green Mountain Falls, Woodland Park, and Divide. In these mountain towns you'll find the latest Skyspace art installation by James Turrell, North Pole Santa's Workshop, and the new Summit Visitor Center on Pikes Peak.

Distance from UCCS | 52 Miles



EVENT CALENDAR

Year-Round Fun

Event dates are subject to change. Free events have no entry fee, but food, beverages, and items are available for purchase.

August

5 | VINO & NOTES

Woodland Park

Enjoy wine, live music, and delicious cuisine at the foot of Pikes Peak. VinoAndNotes.com

5-6 | MOUNTAIN ARTS FESTIVAL

FREE *Woodland Park*

Find original artwork to purchase from artists across the nation. TheMountainArtists.org

28 | LA VIDA!

Colorado Springs

Savor the food, drink, music, and culture of Mexico, Puerto Rico, and Central America.

COSConcilio.com

September

2-4 | COLORADO SPRINGS LABOR DAY LIFT OFF

FREE *Colorado Springs*

See a hundred balloons ascend into the clear Colorado sky each morning. Find music, activities, and balloons glowing in the dark.

ColoradoSpringsLaborDayLiftOff.com

2-4 | COMMONWHEEL ARTISTS CO-OP ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR

FREE *Manitou Springs*

Immerse yourself in high-quality, affordable artwork, talented local musicians and specialty foods. Commonwheel.com/festival

8-10 | PIKES PEAK APEX

Colorado Springs

A multi-day mountain bike challenge and running races on the slopes of Pikes Peak and area parks for pros and amateurs. PikesPeakApex.com

16 | FIESTAS PATRIAS

FREE *Colorado Springs*

Celebrating Mexican independence from Spain, this family event has live music, dancing, vendors and delicious food from diverse Hispanic origins.

FiestasPatriasColorado.com

16-17 | OKTOBERFEST +

Woodland Park

Food, beer, wine, vendors and fun kid activities in this beautiful community "above the clouds."

WoodlandParkChamber.com

23 | CRUISE ABOVE THE CLOUDS

FREE *Woodland Park*

Open car show - bands, beer and food.

CruiseAboveTheClouds.com

23-24 | HARVEST FEST

FREE *Cañon City*

Discover award-winning wines, live music, local produce and fresh delicious food.

AbbeyWinery.com

October

7 | HARVEST FESTIVAL

Colorado Springs

Pick a pumpkin from the patch and learn about historical cider making. Find music, wagon rides and fun activities. RockLedgeRanch.com

14 | ROYAL 50 MTB RACE

Cañon City

Single-track mountain bike race in the heart of the Royal Gorge Region. Stunning views, festival, and beer. Royal50.com

14 | FOSSIL DAY CELEBRATION

FREE *Colorado Springs*

Dig up some fun at Garden of the Gods Visitor & Nature Center to learn all about fossils. Activities, giveaways, lectures, and more! GardenofGods.com

19-31 | BOO AT THE ZOO

Colorado Springs

Put on your costume and trick-or-treat while visiting your favorite zoo animals. [CMZoo.org/boo](https://cmzoo.org/boo)

November

11 | VETERANS DAY PARADE

FREE *Colorado Springs*

Catch this patriotic celebration honoring America's Veterans with bands, floats, and loads of patriotism. [COSVetsDayParade.org.com](https://cosvetsdayparade.org.com)

Mid November - Late January | ICE SKATING IN ACACIA PARK

Colorado Springs

Lace up your skates and go ice skating in the heart of Downtown Colorado Springs at Acacia Park. The perfect winter activity for all ages! [Downtowncs.com/event/skate/](https://downtowncs.com/event/skate/)

December

2 | FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS PARADE

FREE *Colorado Springs*

An old-fashioned holiday parade. [ColoradoSpringsFestivalOfLights.com](https://coloradospringsfestivaloflights.com)

Dec-Jan 1 | ELECTRIC SAFARI

Colorado Springs

A million lights and animated light sculptures turn Cheyenne Mountain Zoo into a winter wonderland. [CMZoo.org](https://cmzoo.org)

17 | WINTER WONDERLAND WITH THE WOLVES

Divide

Celebrate your holiday at Colorado Wolf & Wildlife Center with wolves, coyotes, and foxes. [WolfEducation.org/calendar](https://wolfeducation.org/calendar)

February

18 | BIGHORN SHEEP DAY

FREE *Colorado Springs*

This festival at the Garden of the Gods Visitor & Nature Center is fun and educational for the entire family. Spot our state mammal through telescopes and learn all about these gentle creatures. [VisitCOS.com/bighornsheep](https://visitcos.com/bighornsheep)

March

11 | ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

FREE *Colorado Springs*

Enjoy bands, floats, leprechauns and all things green at this lively celebration in Downtown Colorado Springs. [CSStPats.com](https://csstpats.com)

April

22 | EARTH DAY

FREE *Colorado Springs*

Celebrate our planet at the Garden of the Gods Visitor & Nature Center with fun, family-friendly activities. [GardenOfGods.com](https://gardenofgods.com)

May

3-7 | CANON CITY MUSIC & BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

FREE *Cañon City*

View a festive parade, take a chocolate walk, participate in the Blossom Run and enjoy the day in Cañon City. [CCBlossomFestival.com](https://ccblossomfestival.com)

18-21 | PIKES PEAK BIRDING & NATURE FESTIVAL

Colorado Springs

Enjoy field trips, seminars and events to learn about birds that live in and migrate through the region. [PikesPeakBirdingAndNatureFestival.org](https://pikespeakbirdingandnaturefestival.org)



27-29 | TERRITORY DAYS

FREE *Old Colorado City*

Celebrate the heritage of the Old West with live entertainment, crafts and delicious food in the charming town of Old Colorado City.

ShopOldColoradoCity.com

June

3 | MANITOU SPRINGS COLORADO WINE FESTIVAL

Colorado Springs

Taste wine from all over the state while listening to live music and enjoying tasty treats from local food trucks.

ManitouSprings.org

10-11 | PIKES PEAK PRIDE FESTIVAL & PARADE *Cañon City*

Let's celebrate the beauty of diversity with a parade, great food, vendors and entertainment.

PikesPeakPride.org

12 | STARLIGHT SPECTACULAR

Colorado Springs

Join 1000+ riders on this nighttime bike ride in Garden of the Gods Park with fun rest stops and entertainment along the way. TrailsAndOpenSpaces.org

16-18 | JUNETEENTH

FREE *Colorado Springs*

A celebration in America the Beautiful Park to bring together visitors and the community of the Pikes Peak Region. CSJuneteenthFestival.com

25 | PIKES PEAK INTERNATIONAL HILL CLIMB

Cascade

A 12-mile twisting race course that begins at 9,390' and ends at the 14,115' summit of Pikes Peak - America's Mountain. PPIHC.org

July

4 | 4TH OF JULY SYMPHONY

FREE *Colorado Springs*

Enjoy fireworks displays across the city from the comfort of your home or hotel with radio stations broadcasting a patriotic concert.

ColoradoSpringsSports.org

21-22 | ROYAL GORGE WHITEWATER FESTIVAL

FREE *Cañon City*

Celebrate summer with boats, bands and beer at Centennial Park with demos, kid activities and exciting events. RoyalGorgeWhiteWaterFestival.com

12-15 | PIKES PEAK OR BUST RODEO/NFR OPEN

Colorado Springs

Rodeo Days just got a lot more exciting. The National Finals Rodeo rewards winners with \$1 million in payouts. PikesPeakOrBurst.org

15-22 | EL PASO COUNTY FAIR

Calhan

Enjoy 4H animal shows, rodeo, demolition derby, truck and tractor pulls, art and crafts, live music and delicious fair food favorites. ElPasoCountyFair.com



Arts AND CULTURE

MUST-SEE MUSEUMS

FOR HISTORY BUFFS

- 1 National Museum of WWII Aviation
- 2 The Money Museum
- 3 Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum

FOR SCIENCE ENTHUSIASTS

- 4 May Natural History Museum
- 5 Space Foundation Discovery Center

FOR FINE ART AFICIONADOS

- 6 Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College

FOR SPORTS FANS

- 7 The U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Museum
- 8 The ProRodeo Hall of Fame

ART WALKS

Lace up your shoes and grab your crew. Take an art walk through Downtown COS, Old Colorado City, and Manitou Springs.

MURALS

Take a tour of the many murals scattered throughout Downtown Colorado Springs. The walls of many of our businesses, lodging properties and alleys are covered in massive works of art. How many can you find?

SCULPTURES

Find dozens of amazing outdoor sculptures located all throughout the region. From dazzling fish hanging in the sky to towering abstract shapes and whimsical animals.

GALLERIES

Explore the Colorado Springs galleries featuring local artists and their works available for purchase. You can also find live entertainment, food, and beverages to enjoy during your visit.

SATELLITE EXHIBITS

Discover amazing exhibits in unexpected places. Local boutique hotel Kinship Landing, C.O.A.T.I. food hall, and The Warehouse are just some places you can find art exhibitions open to the public.



CULTURAL EVENTS + FESTIVALS

Pikes Peak Region has no shortage of fun and unique events that will thrill the entire family. Watch as a hundred hot air balloons lift off into the sky each morning during the Colorado Springs Labor Day Lift Off. Dress in your best Halloween costume and watch locals race up Manitou Avenue in homemade coffins on wheels at the Emma Crawford Coffin Races. Don't miss out on the action and excitement during your visit.



MUSIC + CONCERTS

Whatever your musical taste may be, Colorado Springs has venues for you to rock out. Get a taste of country music with the Flying W Wranglers at the Flying W Ranch, catch a concert at the Switchbacks Stadium right in the heart of Downtown Colorado Springs, or see amazing shows at the Pikes Peak Center and The Broadmoor World Arena. Past performers include Elton John, Sam Hunt, and Weird Al Yankovitch, you never know who might be coming into town.



THEATER + PERFORMING ARTS

Find live theatrical performance on your visit including classics like Fiddler on the Roof and Annie or something new at the Ent Center for the Arts and the Pikes Peak Center. If you are a part of the UCCS community find discounts at the Ent Center for the Arts! Head to the Milibo Art Theater to see circus acts, plays, comedians, and more. Find even more live performances from theater to dance at the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center.



INSIDER TIPS



PeakRadar.com

Stay up to date with all the events around the Pikes Peak Region. This events calendar is the go-to resource for all there is to see and do while you're here.



Otocast App

Elevate your self-guided Art on the Streets tour. Hear about the artists and stories behind each unique piece in Downtown Colorado Springs.



Ride in Style

Take to the streets on a PikeRide e-bike and tour our Art on the Streets in style. The e-assist gives a nice boost, so you never break a sweat while you explore.

EXPLORE THE OUTDOORS

Spruce Mountain

📍 Larkspur

This 8.5 mile trail runs through a vast mesa filled with an array of landscapes including pine forests, rocky cliffs, and meadows.

Manitou Incline

📍 Manitou Springs

Climb 2,744 stairs to reach the summit gaining 2,000 feet in elevation in less than a mile. This trail is not for the faint of heart, but people from all walks of life have conquered it.

Palmer Park

📍 Colorado Springs

Home to 26 different hiking trails, great for biking and hiking. While you're there check out the scenic overlook and drive, Seven Castles geological point, and the botanical reserve!

Garden of the Gods

📍 Colorado Springs

This national natural landmark features 6 different hiking trails, spanning from an easy 0.5 mile hike to a moderate 2.5 mile hike.

Paint Mines

📍 Calhan

Visit one of El Paso County's most unique open spaces that covers approximately 750 acres. It features fantastic geological formations including spires and brightly colored banded layers of clay, and 4 miles of trails.

Raspberry Mountain Loop

📍 Monument

Try this challenging 5.2 mile trail and explore the diverse scenery on this 3 hour hike.

Pikes Peak - Barr Trail

📍 Manitou Springs

One of the most popular trails in Pikes Peak National Forest. This challenging 25 mile trail is very popular for backpacking, camping, and hiking.

Ute Valley Park

📍 Colorado Springs

Home to 20 different trail segments great for biking and hiking. This park spans hogback ridge and offers scenic views.

Black Forest Loop

📍 Black Forest

Head out on this 2.2 mile loop trail in the Black Forest Regional Park, and find beautiful views of Pikes Peak.

Fox Run

📍 Colorado Springs

This regional park offers an overlook of Aspen and Spruce Lakes, and a picturesque Pikes Peak backdrop. There is also four miles of multi-use trails, and pavillions, playgrounds, and gazebos on the lake.

Blodgett Peak

📍 Colorado Springs

Try this 3.4 mile trail near, and get a taste of the true Colorado open space experience. Find spectacular views of the black forest and the air force academy below

Red Rock Canyon Open Space

📍 Colorado Springs

Explore the magnificent series of canyons and ridges sculpted by erosion of the area's uplifted rock strata on your pick of the 6 different trails.

Pulpit Rock

📍 Colorado Springs

Explore this popular natural rock feature located right next to campus. Towering 6,621 feet in elevation above El Paso County, find expansive views of Colorado Springs, Pikes Peak, and surrounding areas at the summit.

North Cheyenne Cañon Park

📍 Colorado Springs

Choose from 26 great trails located in the heart of North Cheyenne Cañon's beautiful and majestic forest.

Bear Creek Cañon Park

📍 Colorado Springs

Adventure through this 545-acre regional park, on your choice from 6 different trails



FEED YOUR SOUL

The food scene in Colorado Springs is rapidly growing, with flavors to satisfy all your cravings. After a busy day of adventuring, you'll need to find the perfect place for the entire family to recharge and refuel.

CAFE

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New Day Cafe

This breakfast and lunch restaurant serves traditional American favorites and Mexican specialties, along with fresh, locally-roasted coffee.

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Marigolds

This French inspired cafe & bakery has pastries, baked goods, and French cuisine made by hand.

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Wooglin's Deli & Cafe

A local favorite where you'll find classic breakfast, hand-crafted sandwiches, and house-baked bread.

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Wade's Cafe

Home-style breakfast and American-style lunch with big flavor and big portions. Don't miss out on their award winning pancakes and home-made syrup!

WELL CRAFTED

The #1 rule of traveling at altitude is staying hydrated. Luckily, Colorado Springs has an impressive craft beverage scene! Add these local favorites to your must-try list:

- 1 Loyal Coffee
- 2 1350 Distilling
- 3 Ute & Yeti
- 4 ICONs
- 5 Mash Mechanix Brewing Co
- 6 Atrevida Beer Co

BRUNCH

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Denver Biscuit Company

Forget pancakes, biscuits are for brunch! Try their buttermilk biscuits piled high with fried chicken, biscuit, eggs, and topped with their house-made gravy.

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Urban Egg

Treat yourself to brunch favorites featuring local and organic ingredients in Colorado. Find innovative and flavorful dishes served with authentic hospitality.

AMERICAN

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Golden Bee Gastropub

Located in the historic Broadmoor hotel, enjoy an authentic gastropub experience. Find an extensive menu with classic British cuisine.

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Skirted Heifer

You have to try this local favorite's incredible burgers. Get your burger skirted or with an extra layer of melted cheddar cheese for more flavor!

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The Rabbit Hole

Journey down the subway steps and find eclectic cuisine, exotic cocktails, and haunting decor offering a unique experience of nightlife.

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Bonny & Read Seafood

Experience a slice of the coast at downtown Colorado Spring's first fresh seafood eatery. Find a thoughtful selection of seafood and steak.

STEAKHOUSE

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The Famous Steak House

Visit one of Colorado Springs' finest upscale steak houses and lounges located in the center of downtown.

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Peppertree

Get their unique table-side preparation of the finest steaks, while enjoying panoramic views of the downtown city lights.

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Mackenzie's Chop House

Located in the Historic Alamo Building, Mackenzie's is a historical premier dining destination in Colorado Springs. Find great steaks, fresh seafood, and a great atmosphere.

ASIAN

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Fujiyama

In the heart of downtown Colorado Springs, explore the exotically familiar and authentically creative cuisine. Find an assortment of sushi, ramen, tempura, bento, & more.

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Elephant Thai

Stop by and find authentic Thai street cuisine in the heart of Colorado Springs that will transport you on a flavor journey through Bangkok.

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Little Nepal

Authentic Indian cuisine with big flavors and great service. This local favorite has been voted Best of the Springs every year since it opened.

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Seoul Korean BBQ

Find an authentic Korean BBQ experience with high-quality ingredients and freshest meats. Find fresh, savory, and one-of-a-kind cuisine.

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Sushi Ato

Find exciting sushi created by their traditionally trained sushi chefs, and authentic and modern Japanese cuisine including ramen, gyudon, and bento.

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Umi Sushi

Taste the art of sushi with creations of their master sushi chef. Find an explosion of flavors and beautiful presentation.

TASTY TRIVIA

Whether you play for fun or to win, there's no shortage of spots with regular game nights. Grab your friends or family for some fun and great eats and drinks.

Metric Brewing

TUESDAY

Phantom Canyon

WEDNESDAY

Goat Patch Brewing

WEDNESDAY

Pikes Peak
Lager House

THURSDAY

SUSHI

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La Bella Vita

Get an authentic Italian experience, offering a wide menu selection for you to choose from.

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Ristorante De Lago

Located in the grounds of the beautiful and historic Broadmoor hotel, and inspired by the finest culinary regions of Italy. Ristorante De Lago offers a unique and authentic Italian dining experience.

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Paninos

Check out this local favorite for their famous Panino sandwich, fresh pasta, and oven baked pizza.

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Biaggis

Find authentic, freshly prepared Italian cuisine in a casual and friendly environment.

ITALIAN

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White Pie Pizzeria

Visit this trendy New England East Coast-style pizzeria and find hand-crafted and inventive pizzas along with Italian favorites and desserts.

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Bambino's Urban Pizzeria

At this one of a kind destination for Neapolitan pizza, you can build your own or try one of their specials. Bring your student ID and get a free drink!

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Fat Sully's

Try a ginormous New York style hand-tossed pizza served by the slice of a 26" Fat Sully's Pizza Pie.

PIZZA

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Caspian Cafe

Stop by and enjoy a mix of authentic Mediterranean and Middle Eastern cuisine. They even have belly dancers performing while you enjoy your meal!

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Heart of Jerusalem Cafe

Find authentic Middle Eastern cuisine at this family owned restaurant, who aims to share the culture of their homeland in Jerusalem.

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Jake & Telly's Greek Cuisine

Located in the beautiful, historic Old Colorado City. Find incredible greek dishes in a cheery space with a deck and mountain views.

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Piglatin Cocina

Explore this Latin American menu full of plot twists, and find a fusion of rebellious flavors.

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Crystal Park Cantina

Discover this unique, home-style Mexican restaurant nestled in the mountains of Manitou Springs.

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Hacienda

Find Mexican eats with Colorado flair made from scratch at this contemporary spot.

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MEXICAN

STREET EATS

There's no better way to savor the flavors of a city than a food truck. Perfect for on-the-go or to enjoy in the great outdoors.

FOOD TRUCK TUESDAY

Every Tuesday throughout the summer in front of the Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum. This treasured tradition features a rotating lineup of 12 local food trucks serving a variety of cuisine, snacks, and desserts every week from 11 am to 1:30 pm.

SWEETS & TREATS



When on vacation, indulge yourself! Treat yourself and the entire family to one (or more) of these decadent delights.



ICE CREAM

Rizuto's

Visit one of the best ice cream shops in Colorado! Come and enjoy a sundae, the famous monster shake, or another one of their famous concoctions.

BJ's Velvet Freez

Find delicious and affordable desserts at this local favorite spot. Try a dipped cone or customize an iceberg with countless candy options!

Josh & John's

Try some hand-crafted New England style ice cream at this Colorado favorite!

Pikes Peak Chocolate & Ice Cream

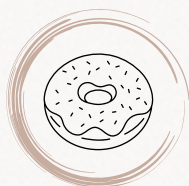
A local favorite with Josh & John's ice cream and 70 handmade chocolates in the heart of Manitou Springs.



BAKERIES

Boonzaijeer's Dutch Bakery

Stop by and treat yourself from a great selection of sweets and pastries. You can also find great bread and Danish cookies!



DONUTS

Amy's Donuts

Amy's creates delicious and fresh donuts daily. Take your pick of fun flavors like cotton candy and maple bacon.

Hurts Donut

A rebel in the world of donuts. Their unique and crazy flavors break all the rules!



CUPCAKES

Cupcake Doctor

Find the feel of an old-fashioned bakeshop at this local veteran-owned spot. They even have a cupcake truck!

Small Cakes Cupcakery

One of the Top Ten Cupcake Places to try in the country. Stop by and enjoy their freshly baked gourmet cupcakes.



COOKIES

Mary Mountain Cookies

Get some gourmet, traditional, and ice cream filled cookies!

Sasquatch Cookies

Treat yourself to Sasquatch-sized cookies. They'll even deliver them in a Sasquatch costume for a small fee!



OTHER

Rita's Italian Ice & Custard

Get their famous Italian ice made fresh daily with real fruit, or cool, creamy frozen custard. Can't choose? Try their Gelati to get the best of both worlds!

Lulu's Frozen Yogurt

Create your own special treat with up to 24 delicious flavors of frozen yogurt, sorbet, and gelato along with over 90 toppings!

Kokomo Sno Hawaiian Shave Ice

Try authentic, soft, and fluffy Hawaiian Shave Ice.

Find endless flavors, delicious toppings, and a little taste of the aloha-spirit at this family-owned spot.

Root for the Home Team

Colorado Springs, Olympic City U.S.A, is home to an abundance of competitive spirit. Find a variety of exciting sporting events at amazing venues. You won't strike out on fun while cheering for these teams.

Mountain Lions



Men's Sports

- Basketball
- Baseball
- Cross Country
- Soccer
- Track & Field

Women's Sports

- Basketball
- Softball
- Cross Country
- Soccer
- Track & Field
- Lacrosse
- Volleyball

UCCS Athletics is a proud participant of NCAA Division II, competing in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC). Find exciting competitions year-round where you can cheer on your fellow mountain lions.

Women's Soccer



Men's Basketball



Women's Volleyball



Switchbacks FC

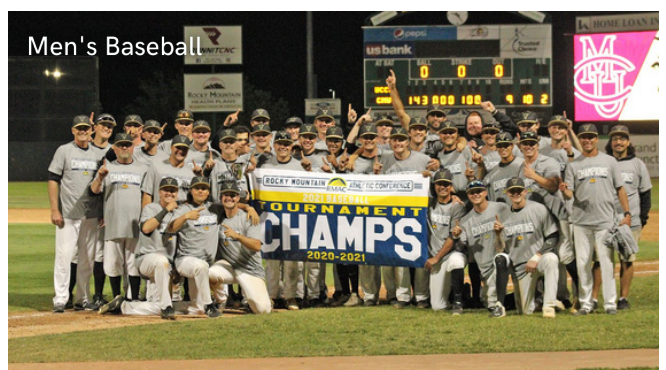


Catch a Switchbacks game at their home field, Weidner Field, in the heart of Downtown Colorado Springs, as they compete in the USL Championship League.

Rocky Mountain Vibe

Head to UCHealth Park to watch the Rocky Mountain Vibes play in the Pioneer Baseball League (PBL) and find game-day promotions throughout the season.

Men's Baseball



Places to Play

LET'S
PLAY!

Pikes Peak Region has plenty of places to feel like a kid again. Add these to your itinerary and let your inner child out!



AIR CITY 360

Find fun for all ages at this adventure park with an air coaster, vertical climbing obstacle course, zipline, trampolines and more.



THE SUMMIT INTERQUEST

Bowling, laser tag, and arcade games can be found at The Summit. Discover their new augmented reality bowling option called Spark.



IFLY COLORADO SPRINGS

Experience a simulated flying and skydiving experience in a vertical wind tunnel. Your adventures at iFly are safe for all ages (3+).



WHIRLYBALL

This amusement center has it all. Try their unique game invention, Whirlyball, a mix of lacrosse, hockey, basketball, and bumper cars. Players can also enjoy bowling, laser tag, video games, pool tables, and great food and drinks.



CODEBUSTERS

Try these next level escape rooms. Select one of three creative, traditional escape rooms or challenge your crew with a virtual reality escape room.



ADVENTURE MINI GOLF

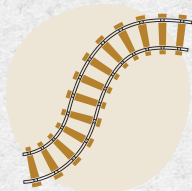
Looking for a classic game of mini golf? This venue has four 18-hole courses with a variety of creative themes.

Play For All Ages



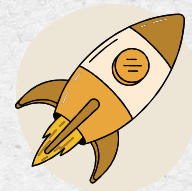
WESTERN MUSEUM OF MINING AND INDUSTRY

This museum preserves the rich mining history of the American West with glimpses into the working machinery, mining drift and gold panning stations. Find year-round events including free family days, summer farmers market, and a fall pumpkin patch.



PIKES PEAK TROLLEY MUSEUM

All aboard! Explore this preservation of the history of trains and trolley cars in the Pikes Peak Region. A favorite multi-generational activity where all ages can enjoy the interactive learning offered by this museum.



SPACE FOUNDATION DISCOVERY CENTER

Discover the region's first and only space, science, and technology center and museum. Find interactive exhibits that will inspire kids to the moon and beyond.

VISIT UCCS

Discover the beautiful views, state-of-the-art facilities, and hidden gems on our campus here at UCCS. Book an in-person or virtual campus tour, or explore campus on your own!



EL POMAR CLOCK TOWER

Take in spectacular views of Pikes Peak - America's Mountain - next to the iconic El Pomar clock tower in the heart of campus.



ENT CENTER FOR THE ARTS

One stop destination for world-class visual and performing arts by professional artists, renowned faculty and staff, students, and visiting artists from across the globe. Discover outdoor sculptures and installations, theatre and musical performances, and a more intimate experience with art.



SHERPA TRAIL

Take a detour and explore this short hidden trail located on the backside of campus where you can find beautiful views of all of Colorado Springs.



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