



Durango Services



Durango Tourism website <http://www.durango.org>

Why Durango?

First of all, it's a bike lover's Mecca.

But Durango has much more to offer. Durango is a beautiful mountain town, nestled in the San Juan range of the Colorado Rocky Mountains. Perhaps best known for its role in the Old West, Durango developed originally as a rail and gold mining town, founded by the Denver & Rio Grande Railway in 1879. Today, visitors can still ride the Durango and Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, which has run continuously for over 127 years. Durango is also home to Fort Lewis college, whose cycling team has won 13 National Championships. And, anyone traveling to Durango will certainly appreciate the historic Victorian buildings that line Main St. and the 14,000' mountain peaks that surround the town but Durango.

Just a few miles from the heart of the city is Mesa Verde National Park. Take the time to explore the ancient Pueblo cliff dwellings that date back to AD 600 to AD 1300 which are known as some of the most notable and well-preserved dwellings in the U.S.

There is no shortage of fun in Durango, residents and visitors alike enjoy a multitude of outdoor sports including rafting, kayaking, horseback riding, cycling, mountain biking, skiing and snowboarding just to name a few! And, since Durango boasts as many fine restaurants per capita as San Francisco, at the end of the long day, you'll find plenty of good food and good times right in the heart of Durango.



This guide is intended to help you make the most of your stay in Durango. You will find restaurant, lodging, points of interest and general information about Durango on the following pages. We hope you will take some time and explore all that the town and people of Durango have to offer.

**For an updated and complete resource of everything to do, see, eat and drink in Durango make sure you refer to the Durango Tourism website <http://www.durango.org>

Getting Around Durango

The city of Durango is accessible by two federal highways - U.S. Highway 160 and U.S. Highway 550. U.S. Highway 160, the Navajo Trail Highway, traverses the area from east to west. It comes from Pueblo, Colorado and the junction with Interstate 25, running to the west through Cortez, Colorado and connecting with Interstate 40 to the southwest which leads to Flagstaff where major routes connect to Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona. United States 550 connects to Durango with Farmington, New Mexico and Highway 44 going south to Albuquerque where Interstates 25 and 40 meet (approximately 230 miles). To the north, U.S. Highway 550 connects Durango with the Grand Junction area and Interstate 70. In the heart of Durango, 2.5 miles of U.S. Highway 550 has experienced major reconstruction. This major investment in the local infrastructure will continue to meet the growing needs of the city. Asphalt surfacing has been replaced with concrete, and this means less maintenance and the accompanying disruptions to transportation and local business for many years to come.

Downtown Durango Walking Map



Source: ESRI, GDT, NGS, USGS

Getting to the Airport from Durango—Driving

Driving directions

Ft. Lewis College to Durango-La Plata County Airport

Driving Directions

Mile Turn

0.0	Head SOUTH EAST on Santa Rita Dr toward US-160/US-550
6.7	Turn Right onto US-160/US-550
5.7	Turn right onto CO-172 S
0.8	Turn RIGHT at Airport Rd
0.3	Continue straight
0.0	Keep right
0.0	ARRIVE at Durango-La Plata County Airport

Parking in Durango

Durango Central Business District has more than 1,000 on-street parking spaces, and in excess of 350 permit spaces in off-street parking facilities.

Parking Enforcement Hours:

Parking enforcement is year round 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. □ There is no parking enforcement on holidays.

On-Street Parking:

24-minute, 2-hour, 3-hour and 10-hour meters provide downtown parking options. Expired meters result in the issuance of parking citations.

Parking in the 500 block of East 2nd Avenue is subject to tire marking. Vehicles must move to a different parking space every two hours. Vehicles in the same parking space for more than two hours will be cited.

Handicapped Parking:

Durango has several designated parking spaces for handicap vehicles. All vehicles parked in these spaces must have a valid handicap plate or placard. These spaces have a two-hour limit. Handicap vehicles remaining in a handicap-designated parking space for more than two hours may be cited. Those with a handicap placard or plate may park for an unlimited time in a non-handicapped metered space without activating the meter.

PAYING FOR PARKING

- Cash
- Tokens may be used in any City of Durango parking meter or any Durango Transit loop bus. Tokens may be purchased for \$9 per \$10 roll at City Hall, 949 E 2nd Ave. Complimentary tokens may be available from downtown merchants.

Hotels and Motels

Best Western Durango Inn and Suites

21382 US Hwy 160
West Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 970-247-3251
Website: www.durangoinn.com
★★

Best Western Mountain Shadows

3255 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 800-521-5218
Phone 2: 970-247-5200
Website: www.bestwestern.com
★★

Best Western Rio Grande Inn

400 East 2nd Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 800-245-4466
Phone 2: 970-385-4980
Website: www.bwriograndeinn.com
★★

Budget Inn

3077 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 800-257-5222
Phone 2: 970-247-5222
Website: www.budgetinndurango.com
★

Caboose Motel

3363 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 877-527-1191
Phone 2: 970-247-1191
Website: www.caboosemoteldurango.com
★★

Comfort Inn and Suites

455 South Camino Del Rio
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 888-259-7903
Phone 2: 970-259-7900
Website: www.comfortinn.com
★★

Days End

2202 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 800-242-3297
Phone 2: 970-259-3311
Website: www.daysenddurango.com
★★

Durango Lodge

150 East 5th St.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 888-440-4489
Phone 2: 970-247-0955
Website: www.durangolodge.com
★★

Econo Lodge

2002 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 866-291-490
Phone 2: 970-247-4242
Website: www.econolodgedurango.com
★★

General Palmer Hotel

567 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 800-523-3358
Phone 2: 970-247-4747
Website: www.generalpalmer.com
★★

Hampton Inn

3777 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 800-247-6885
Phone 2: 970-247-2600
Website: www.hampton-inn.com/hi/Durango
★★★

Holiday Inn

800 Camino Del Rio
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 800-465-4329
Phone 2: 970-247-5393
Website: www.holidayinn.com/durangoco
★★★

Quality Inn

2930 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 800-228-5150
Phone 2: 970-259-5373
Website: www.choicehotels.com/hotel/co405
★★

Ramada Limited

3030 North Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 970-259-1333
Website: www.ramada.com
★★

Strater Hotel

699 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 970-247-4431
Website: www.strater.com
★★★★

Residence Inn Marriott

21691 US Hwy. 160
West Durango, CO
Phone 1: (800) 331-3131
Phone 2: (970) 259-6200
www.marriott.com
★★★

Rochester Hotel

726 East 2nd Ave.
Durango, CO
Phone 1: 800-664-1920
Phone 2: 970-385-1920
Website: www.rochesterhotel.com
★★★

Silver Mountain Guest Ranch

3800 CR 208
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 970-247-1919
Website: www.silvermtnguestranch.com
★★★★

Silverpick Lodge

48475 US Hwy 550
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 970-259-6600
Website: www.silverpicklodge.com
★★★

Spanish Trails Inn and Suites

3141 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 970-247-4173
Website: www.spanishtrails.com
★★

Travelodge

2970 Main Ave.
Durango, CO 80301
Phone 1: 970-247-1741
Website: www.travelodge.com
★★

Bed and Breakfasts

Apple Orchard Inn

7758 County Rd. 203

Durango, CO 80301

Phone 1: 800-426-0751

Phone 2: 970-247-0751

Website: www.appleorchardinn.com

★★★★

Aspen Grove Retreat (Red Cliff House)

3935 County Road 250

Durango, CO 80301

Phone 1: 877-972-5433

Website: www.aspengroveb-b.com

e-mail: redcliff@redcliffhouse.com

★★★

Country Sunshine Bed and Breakfast

35130 Highway 550

North Durango, Colorado

Phone 1: 800-383-2853

Website: www.countrysunshine.com

e-mail: inn@countrysunshine.com

★★★

Logwood Bed and Breakfast and Lodge

35060 US Hwy 550

N. Durango Colorado 81301

Phone 1: 800-369-4082

Phone 2: 970-259-4396

Fax: 970-259-9670

Website: www.durango-logwoodinn.com

RV Parks

Alpen Rose RV Park

27847 Hwy 550 N
Durango, CO 81301
Phone 1: 877-259-5791
Phone 2: 970-247-5540
Email: camp@alpenroservpark.com
Website: www.alpenroservpark.com
RV Hookups: Yes
Total Sites 24

Cottonwood Camper Park

Hwy. U.S. 160
Durango, CO
Phone 1: 970-247-1977
RV Hookups: Yes
Total Sites: 57

Durango Year Round RV Park

Hwy. US 550 S
Durango, CO
Phone 1: 970-247-5199
Website: www.durangorvpark.com/
RV Hookups: Yes
Total Sites: 34

Hermosa Meadows Camper Park

Phone:970-247-3055
Total Sites: 17 sites
RV Hookups: Yes

Lightner Creek Campground and Cabins

1567 CR 207
Durango, CO 81301
Phone:970-247-5406
Website:
RV Hookups: NO
Total Sites: 50

Downtown Dining

(Note: most Durango restaurants are small. We strongly suggest calling ahead for reservations.)



Ska Brewing Company (Our Beer Sponsor!...and great food, too)

225 Girard St, Durango, CO 81303

(970) 247-5792

Durango craft brewers of Ten Pin Porter, True Blonde, Pinstripe Red, Mexican Logger, Ranking Full Stout, and Buster Nut Brown Ale.

Ariano's

150 East College Dr.

Durango, CO 81301

Phone: (970) 247-8146

Closed Mondays

Voted Durango's favorite Italian restaurant, where "freshness" is the key to success. Owner and chef, Vincent Ferraro has prepared all his specialties to order since 1984. The pastas and ravioli are made fresh daily.

Brickhouse Café

1849 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 81301

Phone: (970) 247-3760

Closed Monday/lunch and breakfast hours only

Located in a 109 year old Victorian building. Serving breakfast and lunch all day. Omelettes, skilletts, huevos, soups, salads, sandwiches, burgers and fresh backed goods

Carver Brewing Co.

1022 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 81301

Phone: (970) 259-2545

Daily 6:30 a.m to 10:00 p.m.

Website: www.carverbrewing.com

Durango's hometown restaurant and brew pub touted as the "Cheers of Durango" featuring 8-10 handcrafted beers on tap, brewed on premise. Carvers offers a variety of hearty, healthy and delicious fresh foods, including their locally famous breakfasts, sandwiches, burgers, salads, soups and stews.

Cocina Linda

309 West College Dr. (Albertson's parking lot)

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-6729

Daily 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

A family owned and operated restaurant. The style of cooking is that of Central Mexico, following family home recipes from Michoacan. All dishes are made with fresh ingredients and local, organic produce (when available).

Cosmopolitan

919 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-2898

Daily 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Website: www.cosmodurango.com

Upscale, contemporary American dining boasting affordable prices with a contemporary atmosphere.

Cyprus Café

725 East 2nd Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 385-6884

Seasonal hours—please call

Cyprus Café offers fresh and innovative Mediterranean cuisine in a historic Victorian setting. Featuring vegetarian specialties, local grass-finished meats and farmer's market produce.

The Diamond Belle/The Office

699 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 247-4431

Daily 11:00 a.m. to Close

Durango's legendary Diamond Belle Saloon, in the heart of historic downtown—the only place where friendly servers in Old West costumes deliver a quick, creative and delicious meal.

Digs Market Café at Three Springs

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-2344

Daily: 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 (ish)

Must make reservations

Featuring creative Southwestern/American cuisine made with fresh, local ingredients

East by Southwest

160 East College Dr.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 247-5533

Daily 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to Close

Healthy fusion cuisine rooted in the flavors of Japan and the Pacific Rim with a Southwestern touch. Offering something for everyone from cutting edge sushi and vegetarian options to hormone-free Kobe and free-range Black Angus beef. All fish and seafood is from sustainable resources and flown in fresh.

Francisco's Restaurante y Cantina

619 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 247-4098

Daily 11:00 to close/Sunday Brunch starts at 10:00 a.m.

Francisco's combines the traditions of the Garcia family's original recipes with new and varied menu items, including fresh seafood, beef, pasta and Southwestern specialties

Gazpacho

431 East Second Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-9494

Monday through Saturday: 11:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Sundays: 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Traditional northern New Mexican cooking features hot red and green chiles grown for Gazpacho in southern New Mexico. Specialties include aged tequila margaritas, carne adovada, tamales, chile rellenos and stuffed sopapillas.

Guido's Favorite Foods

1201 Main Ave. Ste. 102

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-5028

Monday through Saturday 11:00 a.m. to Close

Authentic Italian trattoria dining and gourmet market featuring European groceries, hand-cut cheeses and meats.

Himalayan Kitchen

992 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-0956

Daily 11:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. (closed between 2:30 and 3:00)

Website: www.himalayankitcheninc.com

Himalayan Kitchen brings you a taste of the top of the world regions rich culinary heritage that's as diverse as the many ethnic groups in the three neighboring countries of Nepal, Tibet and India

Homeslice Pizza

441 East College Dr.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-5551

Monday through Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Sunday Noon to 9:00 p.m.

Website: www.homeslicedelivers.com

Best pizza in the 4 Corners ... FahGetAboutIt! This quaint locally-owned restaurant serves the best handmade NY-style and Chicago-style pizzas and probably has the largest topping selection in the universe.

The Irish Embassy

900 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 403-1200

Daily 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. (bar open later)

Features traditional Irish fare along with 20oz Imperial Pints, Imported Irish Drafts and weekly specials.

JBo's Pizza & Rib Co

1301 Florida Rd.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-0010

Daily 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.

A fast and casual family dining experience serving pizza, ribs, grinders, burgers, salads, 19 local microbrews on tap. Plus, pool tables, ping pong, jukebox and video games. Free hotel and downtown delivery.

Ken & Sue's

636 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 385-1810

Fax: (970) 385-1801

Lunch Daily 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Dinner Daily 5:00 p.m. to Close

Enjoy fine New American dining in a casual atmosphere. Featuring an extensive wine list and full bar.

Lady Falconburgh's Barley Exchange

640 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 382-9664

Daily 11:00 a.m. to late night

Website: www.LadyFalconburgh.biz

Serving 100 handcrafted beers in a unique and fun environment. A local's favorite and perfect for beer lovers and families

Mahogany Grille

699 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 247-4433

Daily 5:00 p.m. to Close

Website: www.mahoganygrille.com

Beautiful, historic downtown location. Wine Spectator's Award Winning Wine List. Unforgettable food, service and live music. New American cuisine fused with international influences using the freshest local ingredients.

Matu's Italian Kitchen

701 East 2nd Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 375-2701

Lunch (Monday to Friday) 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Dinner (Monday to Saturday) 5:00 p.m. to Close (Bar opens at 4:00 p.m.)

Website: www.mutusitaliankitchen.com

Classic to contemporary Italian selections all passionately prepared. The perfect place to relax and enjoy a glass of fine wine.

Old Tymer's Café

1000 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-2990

Daily 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Website: www.otcdgo.com

A favorite local hangout known for its fun atmosphere, good food and great burgers.

Ore House

147 East College Dr.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 247-5707

Daily 5:00 p.m. to Close

Website: www.orehouserestaurant.com

The rustic and casual Ore House is one of the areas oldest and finest restaurants. The atmosphere truly reflects the essence and history of Southwest Colorado. Known as the best steak house in Durango.

Randy's

152 East College Dr.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 247-9083

Daily 5:00 p.m. to Close

Featuring spectacular sunset views along with fine contemporary American cuisine and an extensive wine list.

Red Snapper

144 East 9th St.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-3471

Lunch Monday through Friday 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Dinner Monday through Saturday 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Durango's favorite seafood location, featuring fresh fish, steaks, prime rib and nightly specials.

Seasons Rotisserie Grill

764 Main Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 382-9790

Lunch Monday through Friday 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Dinner Daily 5:30 to close (bar opens at 4:00 p.m.)

Featuring their famous wood burning grill and rotisserie, offering modern American cuisine, emphasizing fresh, local ingredients.

Steamworks Brewing Co.

801 East 2nd Ave.

Durango, CO 80301

Phone: (970) 259-9200

Daily 11:00 a.m. to Close

Steamworks is an award-winning brew pub with pizzas, entrees, sandwiches, soups and salads. Bring the kids and enjoy the large outdoor deck

Durango Coffee Co

730 Main Ave

Durango, CO

Steaming Bean Coffee

915 Main Ave

Durango, CO

Major Services

Car, RV, Bike, Electronics, Department Stores

2nd Ave Sports

640 E 2nd Ave
Durango, CO 81301
970-247-4511

Napa Auto Parts

377 South Camino Del Rio
Durango, CO 81303-7997
Phone: (970) 247-2553

WalMart Super Center

1155 South Camino Del Rio
Durango, CO
Phone: (970) 259-8788

Tarpley RV

25871 Highway 160
Durango, CO 81301-7960
Phone: (970) 247-8700

The Home Depot

1301 South Camino Del Rio
Durango, CO 81303
Phone: (970) 259-7954

Radio Shack

1020 Main Avenue
Durango, CO 81301-5124
Phone: (970) 247-9158

Mountain Bike Specialists

949 Main Avenue
Durango Colorado, 81301
Phone: (970) 247-4066
Fax: (970) 385-7445

Durango Mall (retail shopping center)

800 S. Camino Del Rio
Durango, CO 81301
Phone: (970) 259-3603

Other Resources

Durango Area Tourism Office

PO Box 2321

111 S. Camino del Rio

Durango, CO 81302

Phone 1: (800)- 525-8855

Phone 2: (970) 247-3500

Fax: (970) 385 7884

Website: <http://www.durango.org>

City of Durango

949 East 2nd Ave.

Durango, CO □ 81301-5109

Phone: (970)-375-5000

Fax: (970) 375-5098

Durango Emergency Numbers

Durango Police Department

990 East 2nd Ave.

Durango, CO

Emergencies: 911

Non-emergencies: (970) 385-2900

Station hours: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Durango Fire Department

142 Sheppard Drive

Durango, CO 81303-3424

Phone: (970) 382-6000

Colorado State Patrol

Durango District/Troop Office, 5A

20591 Highway 160

Durango 81301

Phone 970.385.1675

Fax: (970) 382-2630

Dispatch: (970) 249-4392

Mercy Regional Medical Center

1010 Three Springs Ave.

Durango, CO 81301

Phone: (970) 247-4311

Urgent Care

2577 Main Ave

Durango, CO 81301

Phone: (970) 247-8382

Things to do In Durango

Durango offers an amazing variety of things to do, see, and experience – year round! Take a trip through breathtaking canyons of the San Juan National Forest aboard an historic coal-fired, steam-engine train. Explore ancient cliff dwellings of the Ancestral Pueblo people, or stroll back in time through the streets of Durango's historic downtown district.

Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad

<http://www.durangotrain.com/>

Durango was founded by the Denver & Rio Grande Railway in 1880. The railroad arrived in Durango on August 5, 1881 and construction on the line to Silverton began in the fall of the same year. By July of 1882, the tracks to Silverton were completed and the train began hauling both passengers and freight. Today you can ride these historic rails!



Fort Lewis College

<http://explore.fortlewis.edu/prospective/facts/index.asp>

Fort Lewis originated when the U.S. Army post of the same name was abandoned and a school for Native Americans established on the site. In 1911 courses in agriculture were added with some college courses in 1925. In 1933 the curriculum was limited to college level courses and in 1948 Fort Lewis became a junior college. It moved to Durango in 1956 first granting baccalaureate degrees in 1964. Of the almost 4,000 students attending Fort Lewis College, almost 20% are Native American. The college's creation was part of a treaty agreement in 1911 when the region's Indian tribes ceded land to the federal government. In exchange for the land, the government promised that Fort Lewis College would offer qualified Native Americans tuition-free education in perpetuity.



Mesa Verde National Park

<http://www.nps.gov/archive/meve/home.htm>

Mesa Verde National Park was established in 1906 to preserve sites built by "Pre-Columbian Indians" on mesa tops and in canyon alcoves. The park, containing 52,073 acres of Federal land, is a unit of the National Park System. Mesa Verde, Spanish for "green table", rises high above the surrounding country. For 750 years, the Ancestral Puebloans occupied the area within the park. From the hundreds of dwellings that remain, archeologists have compiled one of the most significant chapters in the story of prehistoric America. If you are able to leave your modern self behind and think only in the past, you may be able to understand and enjoy a fascinating story of life in earlier times.



Vallecito Lake San Juan Forest

<http://www.swcolotravel.org/lap/lap.html>

Vallecito Lake is located a leisurely 25 miles northeast of Durango as is considered one of Colorado's most beautiful mountain lake resorts. This postcard perfect area offers a wide variety of recreational opportunities and excellent facilities. With a multitude of cabins, resorts, motels, RV parks and campgrounds, restaurants and stores you're in the heart of the San Juan Mountains in the comfort you desire. Boating, horseback riding, hiking, fishing, jeeping or a little relaxing on the front porch - it's a way of life at Vallecito Lake. Easy access to the San Juan National Forest and Weminuche Wilderness Area puts it all at your fingertips.



Durango Mountain Resort

<http://www.durangomountainresort.com>

Durango Mountain Resort is a mountain community that feels like home but is like no place you've ever been. An endless backyard filled with exploration, relaxation and excitement. A destination where wildflowers grow thick as grass, trails lead off into the sunset and family members come to reunite. A central ground between the quintessential Colorado mountain town of Durango and the uniqueness of the Four Corners Region.



Historic Downtown Durango

<http://www.durango.org/activities/durango-downtown.aspx>

Downtown Durango is a Nationally Registered Historic District and home to historic boutique hotels, award winning restaurants, laid-back brewpubs, and fabulous art galleries, museums, and shops.



