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## Receive Travel Advice & Resources

Visit the Grand Junction Visitor Center at 740 Horizon Drive (Exit 31 off Interstate 70) to chat with friendly tourism ambassadors, pick up free maps, brochures and information on what to see and where to stay. There's also free Wi-Fi, a picnic area, clean public restrooms and a pet walking area. You can reach the Visitor Center at 970-256-4060, open Monday through Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm. Drop in and get a complimentary stamped postcard (one per person), our gift to each of you for stopping by!

# NATURE DID SMILE ON US A LITTLE BIT MORE

## *Grand Junction is a Nexus*

There is no other place in Colorado where you experience the intersection of so many prized ecosystems.  
Mountains. Rivers. Canyons. Lakes. High Desert. Forests.  
For people who define themselves by the amount of time they spend outdoors, this is their mecca.

COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT

Come discover our riches for yourself — you might be surprised what you'll find.



### Insider Tips

Powderhorn Mountain Resort offers a lift-assisted mountain bike park, and when winter arrives, expect 250 inches of annual fresh powder.

Grand Junction has an abundance of cycling shops ready to help you with rentals, repairs and local info on all of the best scenic terrain, including eBike rentals for your wine and orchard tours, cruiser-style.

The Little Book Cliffs are home to one of the few remaining wild mustang herds in the United States. Explore the area by SUV, horseback, foot or bike.

### Mountain-Town Character

Grand Junction is a laid-back, friendly city, serving up an authentic downtown mountain vibe where locals kick back with visitors, recounting their adventures and sharing epic firsts while sipping a fresh pint over a spectacular sunset. Vibrant streets boast over 115 award-winning sculptures and murals, perfect for strolling around while exploring boutique shops and enjoying local bites.

### Adrenaline Fix

From desert slickrock to ribbons of smooth pavement, the Grand Junction area is a cyclist's dream. Iconic dirt trails include Chutes and Ladders and Zippity Do Da, while the famous paved Rim Rock Drive on the Colorado National Monument offers up endless miles of pristine road cycling. The Grand Mesa is filled with rewarding terrain for both mountain and road cyclists. If water is more your element, paddling and rafting abound on the Colorado and Gunnison Rivers. Or drop a canoe, SUP or kayak into one of the Grand Mesa's 300 lakes. OHV you ask? YES!

### Hike, Golf & Bike Year-Round

The temperate climate of the Grand Junction area supports a comfortable year-round climate with an average of 245 days of annual sunshine — making it possible to partake in many of Colorado's famous outdoor pursuits throughout the year. In winter, venture up to a higher altitude to schuss down the slopes at Powderhorn Mountain Resort and take in snow-dusted scenes via cross-country skis or snowshoes, or snowmobile on the Grand Mesa. Or stay at a lower elevation to tee off or hit the trails with your regular ol' hiking boots and experience the beauty of the expansive public lands that surround the city. Learn more about Grand Junction's four seasons of outdoor pursuits on page 28 and read about our more than 1.5 million acres of public lands on page 25.

### Immerse Yourself in the Arts

Grand Junction's arts scene is thriving, thanks to a growing community of fervent artisans plus the addition of the Downtown Grand Junction Creative District (one of Colorado's 30). Shop the boutiques and trendy galleries in the Creative District or catch a film, theatrical performance or concert at the Historic Avalon Theatre. Robinson Theatre at Colorado Mesa University also has a variety of entertainment. Discover more artsy activities starting on page 16.

### Sportsman's Paradise


The tree-studded skylines that form much of Grand Junction's horizon hold more than Colorado's scenic beauty. Thousands of deer, elk, moose, desert bighorn and other game live in those mountains, positioning Grand Junction as the region's base for hunters pursuing their quarry each year. Add to that the hundreds of fishing lakes on the Grand Mesa along with the Colorado and Gunnison Rivers — you'll find there's no shortage of angling opportunities.

CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT: MICHAEL UNDERWOOD; VISIT GRAND JUNCTION; VISIT GRAND JUNCTION.

### Connect with Us

As you explore the area, don't forget to follow us on Facebook ([Visit Grand Junction](#)), Instagram ([@VisitGrandJunction](#)), TikTok ([@VisitGrandJunction](#)) and Twitter ([@VisitGJ](#)) and share your photos and experiences using the hashtag [#ShareGJ](#).

Peaches and grapes aren't the only things that thrive in this climate. Grand Junction is blessed with mild seasonal temperatures year-round, making it the ideal destination for outdoor-adventure enthusiasts.

COLORADO'S WINE COUNTRY  @GARVEYSGARDENS

## Explore Colorado's Wine Country & Booming Craft-Beverage Scene

The Grand Junction area is home to the famous Palisade Peach and is the heart of Colorado Wine Country. The Grand Valley American Viticultural Area (AVA) includes 31 wineries and tasting rooms, and is one of only two designated AVAs in Colorado. But there's more to the craft-beverage scene than award-winning wine. The area also has a bounty of breweries and distilleries, such as the long-loved Rockside Brewery and family-owned Highlands Craft Distillery, where vodka and gin are created in-house from grain grown as close to Grand Junction as possible. Check out itineraries starting on page 16 and browse winery and tasting room listings on page 46.

## Accessible Desert

There's no reason to spend extra hours in the car to join the masses in Utah. Our trail systems are one of our best-kept secrets. Whether you're looking to ride bikes, gas up your OHV, explore on horseback, discover over 35 arches, or simply don hiking boots, our nearby public lands serve up endless scenic places to explore.

## Calling all Treasure Seekers

If geocaching is your jam, there are 863 geocaches hidden all over Grand Junction. Geocaching involves using GPS devices or smartphones to locate strategically hidden containers with little prizes and logs. Find out how and where to play at [Geocaching.com](https://www.geocaching.com).




For current events, lodging, dining and activities to inspire your next adventure.

[VisitGrandJunction.com](https://www.VisitGrandJunction.com)

# HAPPY TRAILS

Trails of every kind weave through Grand Junction and its vast public lands, creating a giant pretzel of interconnected loops where one wild experience and spectacular view always leads to another. Pick your perfect trail with our handy guide, whether you prefer hiking, biking or horseback riding.

RATTLESNAKE CANYON - CENTENNIAL ARCH  @\_ASHLEYPERRY



ESCALANTE CANYON PETROGLYPHS

## Follow the Locals

"From a paleo perspective, the neatest thing to do is to hike the Trail Through Time, which is located right off of Interstate 70 at Mile Marker 2. This 1-mile loop trail allows visitors to see actual dinosaur bones still in place. In the summer, you can also catch volunteers from the Museum of Western Colorado excavating fossil finds at the nearby Mygatt-Moore Quarry."

— Greg Gnesios, first manager of McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area

## IF YOU'RE SEEKING ... OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD VIEWS ON FOOT

### Escalante Canyon Petroglyphs, Dominguez- Escalante National Conservation Area

In less than 1 mile, you'll walk back in time — 600 million years, that is. This rugged canyon contains important geological, cultural and historical relics such as Native American petroglyphs, some depicting the bighorn sheep that frequent the area.

### Lost Lake Trail on the Grand Mesa

There are over 300 lakes on the Grand Mesa, but few match the dream-like beauty of Lost Lake — a

ribbon of clear, glacial water surrounded by basalt boulders, accessed via a pleasant, 2-mile out-and-back hike.

### Rattlesnake Arches Trail at McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area

You don't need to leave Colorado to see natural red-rock arches, as Rattlesnake Arches Trail provides the second-largest concentration of arches in the world. This 15-mile round-trip hike will get your heart pumping. It's mostly unshaded, so come prepared with plenty of water and sun protection.



MCINNIS CANYONS



TABEGUACHE TRAIL PHOTO RANDY STOUJER

## IF YOU'RE SEEKING ... RIDES FOR YOUR EQUINE COMPANION

### Little Book Cliffs Wild Horse Range

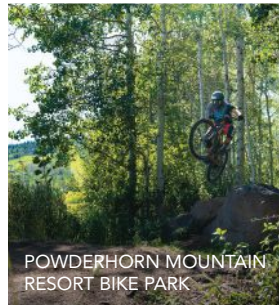
Just 8 miles from Grand Junction, you can clip-clop through the rocky, rugged terrain of this Bureau of Land Management's 36,000-acre area, and spot majestic wild mustangs — descendants of those brought here by Spanish settlers and one of only a few wild horse sanctuaries left in the country.

### McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area

You'll feel just like a cowboy or cowgirl on Devil's Canyon trail, which moseys through red-rock canyons, hoodoos and pink-striped entrada sandstone cliffs.

### Horseback Tours

Rimrock Adventures offers guided rides through Colorado's canyonlands, while Palisade Ranch provides trail rides and customized tours on more than 500 acres.



POWDERHORN MOUNTAIN RESORT BIKE PARK

## IF YOU'RE SEEKING ... DOWNHILL THRILLS

### Tabeguache Trail

You could bike all the way from Grand Junction to Montrose on the 142-mile Tabeguache Trail, but some of the best technical mountain biking in Colorado can be found right by the trailhead — namely, the famed Lunch Loops trail system.

### Kokopelli Trail at McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area

The many scenic and challenging loops at Kokopelli Trail draw riders from around the state, especially Mack Ridge — a ride along a rocky ridgeline high above the Colorado River.

### Powderhorn Mountain Resort Bike Park

As ski season closes, the spring snowmelt reveals multiple professionally crafted downhill trails that

dip, wind and flow with Powderhorn Mountain's natural terrain. A lift drops you at the top, then it's up to you to navigate the tree roots, rocky obstacles and 1,650 feet of exhilarating elevation drop.

### Three Sisters Park

Adjacent to the Tabeguache/ Lunch Loops trails and minutes from Downtown Grand Junction, this latest addition to the mountain-biking scene offers multi-use trails with terrain gentle enough for beginners and families.

### Palisade Plunge

Downhill fans, rejoice! The U.S. Forest Service recently opened this epic, 32-mile single-track trail that descends 6,000 feet from the top of the Grand Mesa all the way to the high-desert floor. Read more about this thrilling new trail on page 30.



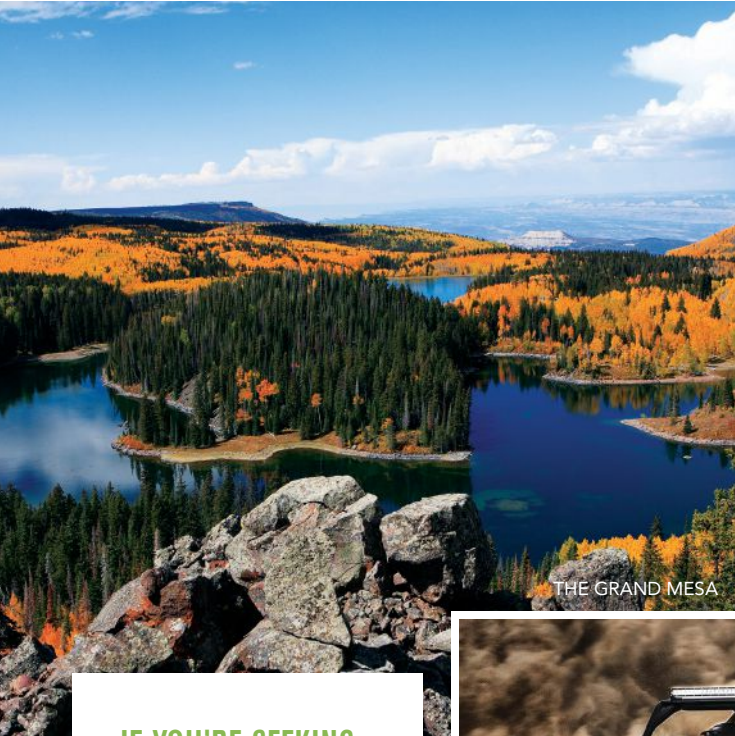
PALISADE RANCH

FROM TOP: BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT/BOB WICK; RANDY STOUJER; VISIT GRAND JUNCTION; GATEWAY CANYONS RESORT & SPA.

### Did You Know?

Over 100 wild horses roam freely at Little Book Cliffs Wild Horse Area. Other creatures to keep your eyes peeled for in the vicinity include golden and bald eagles, red-tail hawks, mule deer, elk and bighorn sheep.





THE GRAND MESA

## IF YOU'RE SEEKING ... OFF-ROAD ACTION

### Grand Junction OHV Area

Kick up some dust at this sprawling desert wilderness just north of town, featuring single- and double-track trails, thrilling hill climbs and ridge rides that will take your breath away.

### Bangs Canyon Management Area

Stunning plateaus and high-desert canyons make way for wide-open views of Grand Junction and the Grand Mesa at this OHV haven, which is home to numerous ATV trails, thrilling dirtbike single-track and the Billings Canyon 4x4 trail.

### Grand Mesa & Uncompahgre National Forests

Explore more than 50 designated OHV trails in a range of high-mountain landscapes, from glorious aspen stands to barren slopes that feel like you are on top of the world.

Check out page 30 for more OHV dirt.



GRAND JUNCTION OHV AREA



THE TOUR DE VINEYARDS

## IF YOU'RE SEEKING ... SCENIC CRUISES FOR ROAD BIKING

### Rim Rock Drive in Colorado National Monument

You'll see every spire, turret and sweeping red-rock canyon of Colorado National Monument on this iconic ride, spanning 23 miles from end to end. Learn more about the Monument on page 10.

### Colorado Riverfront Trail System

A breezy way to explore the area, Grand Junction is the hub of this 24.5-mile paved

river trail system where you'll pass by parks, lakes, wildlife areas, botanical gardens and even a handy bike-repair station.

### Fruit & Wine Byway

Pedal your way or get some assistance with an eBike from Rapid Creek Cycles through Palisade's famous vineyards, fruit orchards and lavender fields on one of the prettiest road-biking corridors in the country, with three routes ranging from 5 to 25 miles.

## Fall-Foliage Hotspots

Color your world with these fall-friendly activities.

### 1 HIKE GRAND MESA

The aspens are so vivid on the world's largest flat-top mountain that Powderhorn Mountain Resort even hosts a Color Weekend.

### 2 CELEBRATE ART IN DOWNTOWN GRAND JUNCTION

Peruse Main Street to see artists' interpretation of the area, and take a little of Grand Junction home with you at the Downtown Art Festival.

### 3 CRUISE RIM ROCK DRIVE

In Colorado National Monument, you'll discover more shades of red and gold than you knew existed.

### 4 BIKE THE TOUR DE VINEYARDS

Soak up fall color and an occasional glass of Colorado vintage. Conveniently, Colorado Mountain Winefest is held the same weekend.

# FIND YOUR TRAIL

Here's a quick guide to some of our favorite routes. Discover many more at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Trails](https://www.visitgrandjunction.com/trails).
















TRAIL	TRAILHEAD LOCATION	APPROXIMATE ROUND-TRIP LENGTH	DIFFICULTY	DOGS, HORSES, MOUNTAIN BIKES OR 4X4 VEHICLES WELCOME?	HIGHLIGHTS
Lunch Loops	2.5 mi. from Grand Junction off Monument Rd.	12 mi.			Famously technical and beloved network of single-track mountain-biking trails
Palisade Rim	N. River Road & Hwy. 6	13 mi.*			A cliff-side hike with stunning views of petroglyphs and wildflowers
Trail Through Time	Trail Through Time	1.5 mi.			McInnis Canyons' Rabbit Valley; kid-friendly loop with dino fossils and wildflowers
Mt. Garfield	Mt. Garfield	4 mi.			2,000-foot elevation gain; see wild horses and breathtaking views of Grand Junction
Devil's Canyon Area	Devil's Canyon	5–7 mi.			McInnis Canyons; many trail combo options with views of the Book Cliffs and canyons
Old Spanish Trail	Old Spanish Trail	10 mi.*			Historic route features desert plants and Gunnison River vistas
Kokopelli Trail	Kokopelli Trail	142 mi.*			Follows the Colorado River through canyons and along bluffs from Loma, CO, to Moab, UT
Audubon Trail and Connected Lakes	Audubon	6 mi.			Colorado Riverfront Trail System; see over 200 species of birds, like blue herons, osprey and hawks
Monument View	Blue Heron Boat Launch	17 mi.			Colorado Riverfront Trail System; bike or hike along the river from Grand Junction to Fruita
Discovery Trail	Grand Mesa Visitor Center	0.25 mi.*			Family-friendly interpretive hike through the lush forest with lake views
Dirty George Aqueduct Trail	Greenwood	6 mi.			Multi-use route in Grand Mesa National Forest to sprawling meadows and breath-taking views
Crum Reservoir	Crum Reservoir	4–7 mi.			Multi-use route in Grand Mesa National Forest to an old homestead, small reservoirs and wildflowers

*Symbols Key* →

Easy:   
 Moderate:   
 Difficult: 

Dogs:   
 Horses: 

Mountain Bikes:   
 4X4 Vehicles:   
 \* Loop Trail

TRAIL	TRAILHEAD LOCATION	APPROXIMATE ROUND-TRIP LENGTH	DIFFICULTY	DOGS, HORSES, MOUNTAIN BIKES OR 4X4 VEHICLES WELCOME?	HIGHLIGHTS
Coal Canyon	Coal Canyon	6–21 mi.*		   	Little Book Cliffs Wild Horse Area; see herds of wild horses, bighorn sheep and petroglyphs
Hoodoo Trail	Coal Canyon	10 mi.		 	Little Book Cliffs Wild Horse Area; steep climb to sights of gravity-defying rock spires
Mica Mine	Bangs Canyon Staging Area	3 mi.		 	Bangs Canyon; family-friendly stroll through sagebrush and trees to a historic mine
North Fruita Desert/18 Rd.	North Fruita Desert/18 Rd.	40 mi.*		  	Famous single-track system featuring cruisers and sprints at the base of the Book Cliffs

INSIDE COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT (CNM)

Canyon Rim	Behind CNM Visitor Center	1 mi.			Dreamy vistas of Wedding Canyon; great for photographers
Devil's Kitchen	0.2 mi. from the east entrance	1.5 mi.		 at <i>Old Gordon Trail</i>	Gradual ascent to scenic rock grotto; ideal for school-age children
Alcove Nature Trail	CNM Visitor Center	1 mi.			Great intro to area's flora and fauna; ideal for kids of all ages
Otto's Trail	1 mi. east of CNM Visitor Center	1 mi.			Gently sloping; views of Pipe Organ and Praying Hands and other rock formations
Coke Ovens	0.2 mi. from Coke Ovens Overlook	1 mi.		 at <i>Lower Monument Canyon</i>	See massive rounded rock formations and stunning desertscapes
Serpents Trail	0.2 mi. from east entrance	3.5 mi.			Calf-burning historic trail with 16 switchbacks; called the "Most Crooked Road in the World"
Monument-Wedding Canyon	Monument Canyon Trailhead	5 mi.*			See rock spires, cliffs and wildlife like bighorn sheep and deer
Liberty Cap	Liberty Cap Trailhead	3–8 mi.		 at <i>Upper Liberty Cap and Black Ridge</i>	Steep and rocky ascent through a juniper-pinyon forest to a large sandstone dome



# COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT: 6 DAZZLING PERSPECTIVES

Located just 6 miles from Downtown Grand Junction, the rugged, red-rock landscapes of Colorado National Monument have captivated artists, photographers and sightseers for centuries — and for good reason. Around every hairpin turn and stone tunnel of this 20,500-acre park, you'll discover wild, Western views that are sure to inspire you, too.

## 1 RIM ROCK DRIVE

Snaking around canyon rims and sheer cliffs, this 23-mile byway is the very definition of a scenic drive. It's also the quintessential way to explore Colorado National Monument from end to end, whether by car, bike or motorcycle. Consider it hiking in your car!

An engineering feat, Rim Rock Drive was hand-carved by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s, revealing rock layers that date back an astonishing two billion years. You can easily spend days exploring the numerous trails and vistas, from Red Canyon Overlook to Artists Point — a spot favored by plein air painters throughout the years. Keep your eyes peeled for bighorn sheep and golden eagles, two of the species lucky enough to call this place home.

## 2 COKE OVENS TRAIL

Less than a mile from Artists Point, pull off at the Coke Ovens Overlook to access one of the grandest views in Colorado National Monument (or anywhere, for that matter). A short, scenic walk leads to a viewpoint of the eponymous Coke Ovens — bulbous, buff-colored pinnacles that cut a striking figure against the terracotta-colored canyon. From here, you can take a longer hike on Monument Canyon Trail to get a closer look at the massive red-earth formations.





### 3 STARGAZING

When the sun sets, a dazzling display of planets, nebulae and constellations light up the sky above, giving the otherworldly terrain an even more lunar-like appearance. While starry skies can be admired from just about anywhere in the park, the Western Colorado Astronomy Club meets regularly at the Saddlehorn Visitor Center. Most events are free and open to the public, and there are usually plenty of telescopes to give you an up-close view. Check [WCACAstronomy.org](http://WCACAstronomy.org) for events during your visit.

Find more ways to explore Colorado National Monument at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Exploring-Colorado-National-Monument](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Exploring-Colorado-National-Monument) and [NPS.gov/COLM](http://NPS.gov/COLM).

### Snap It

Professional photographers and Instagrammers alike will find much to feast their eyes on at the Monument. If you're committed to capturing that perfect photo during your visit, the best times of day are typically sunrise and sunset, when the sun's rays cast a bewitching light over the flame-red canyons.



### 6 RANGER-GUIDED TOURS

Get a deeper view of the park, its history and geologic features on a ranger-led tour, departing from the Saddlehorn Visitor Center daily, Memorial Day through Labor Day. Programs range from interpretive hikes to Junior Ranger programs. Be sure to check the park's online calendar before your visit or stop by the Visitor Center to see what's on the schedule.

### 4 ROCK CLIMBING AT INDEPENDENCE MONUMENT

John Otto, who became the park's first ranger after its National Monument designation in 1911, was one of the earliest people to climb Independence Monument — a sandstone spire that soars 450 feet out of the canyon floor. Today, you can join the scores of climbers who flock here to see the incredible views from "Otto's Route" and other climbing routes, which range in difficulty from intermediate to advanced.

For the best experience, take a guided climb with Grand Junction Adventures, which is a park-approved outfitter. They know every pitch and pit on Independence Monument and can provide the proper gear and guidance to get you to the top safely and with a smile on your face.

**SAFETY NOTE:** The soft, easily flaked sandstone and vertical sections of Independence Monument present dangers for even experienced climbers. Always use extreme caution and check out the park's climbing rules and regulations at [NPS.gov/COLM](http://NPS.gov/COLM) before your visit.



COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT



DESERT BIG HORN SHEEP  BOB ELLIOTT

### 5 SADDLEHORN CAMPGROUND










Perched high above Monument Canyon with sweeping vistas of Grand Junction, Saddlehorn Campground offers views you can normally only dream about. But here, they're the last thing you see before hitting the sack. A-Loop campsites are open year-round, and are available on a first-come, first-served basis, while the B-Loop is open mid-March through October and can be reserved up to six months in advance. It's time you camp on top of stunning red-rock and stargaze, don't you think?

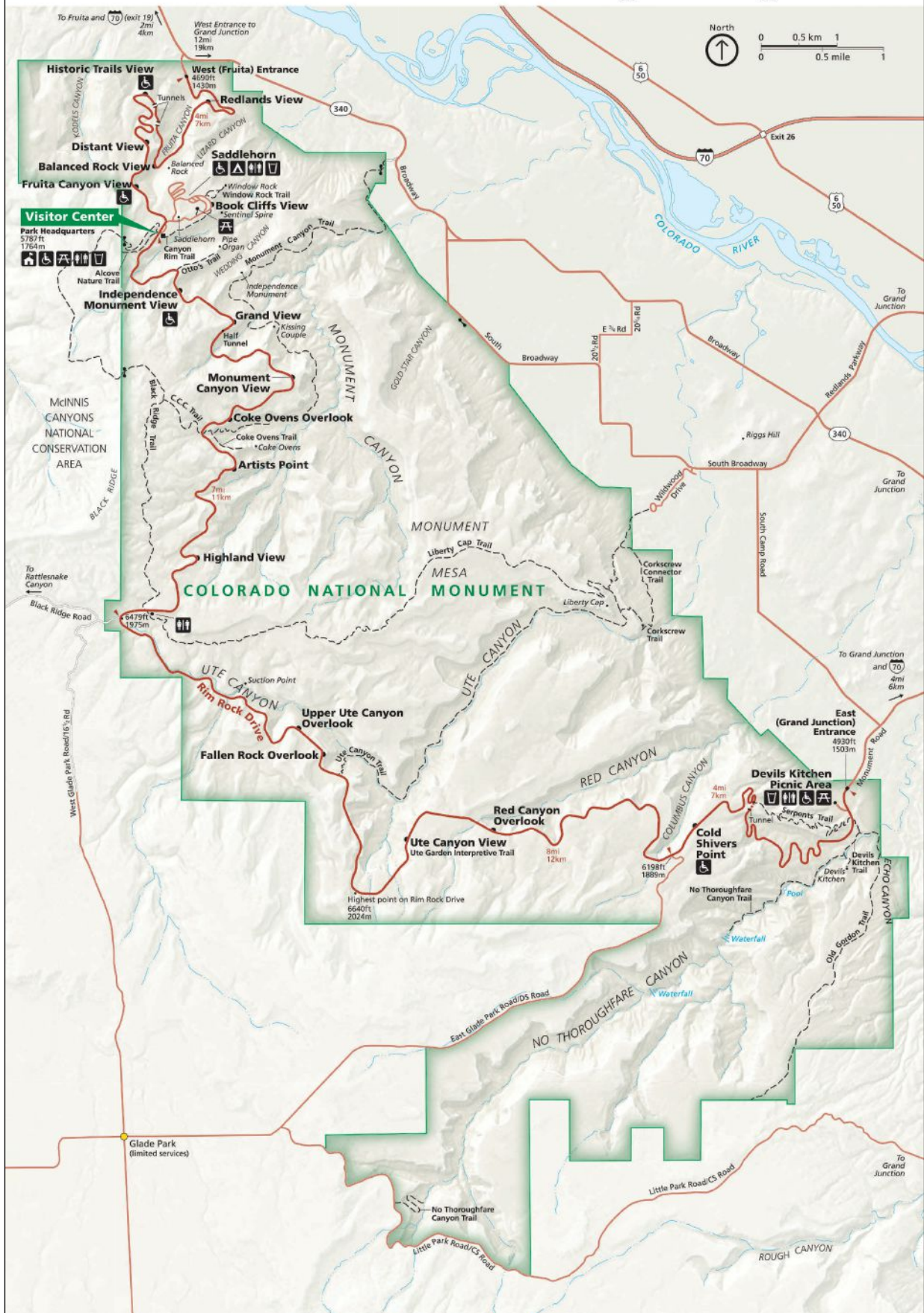
### Colorado National Monument Visitor Center

Located 4 miles from the west entrance, Colorado National Monument Visitor Center is a must-stop before exploring Colorado National Monument. Here you'll find maps, brochures, souvenirs, educational exhibits, and a knowledgeable staff that can point you to all the best trails and viewpoints.

**Hours:** Open daily, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., with extended summer hours (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.). Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.

Some land outside the park boundary is privately owned. Please respect the owners' rights and do not trespass.

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|  Trail         |  Overlook       |  7mi 11km Distance along Rim Rock Drive |  Ranger station          |  Campground       |
|  Access gate |  Unpaved road |  |  Wheelchair-accessible |  Picnic area    |
|   |  |  |  Restrooms             |  Drinking water |





# Float, Raft & Splash: GRAND JUNCTION'S WATERS

Grand Junction's hundreds of lakes and miles of rivers are perfect for a bounty of aquatic pursuits. In fact, the area is a watersports haven for whitewater rafting, stand-up paddleboarding, floating, fishing and much more.

## COLORADO RIVER JET BOATING

For the thrill of your life, book a New Zealand-style jet boat tour on the Colorado River with Jet Boat Colorado. You'll fishtail, speed run and power slide your way to a pure adrenaline rush while a knowledgeable guide takes your family on a tour of the waterway on their custom jet boat *Wild Mustang*. Experience the famous wet-and-wild "Cowboy Spin," but if you're not up for getting drenched, opt for a scenic tour and enjoy a milder (and drier) ride. Book early — summer tours get snatched up fast!

Find more splash-worthy adventures at [VisitGrandJunction.com/WaterActivities](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/WaterActivities)

## GRAND MESA NATIONAL FOREST

The Grand Mesa is the largest flattop mountain in the world, boasting more than 300 lakes and 3,600 miles of tributaries overflowing with fantastic trout fishing and water sports. Try Bull Creek Reservoirs (#1 and #2), which offer opportunities to catch rainbow, cutthroat and brown trout. If you enjoy motoring across smooth-as-glass water, check out Sunset, Griffith or Glacier lakes. But if you want to explore in a canoe or kayak, visit Forty Acre Lake, Kitson Reservoir or Rimrock Lake, where the paddling is pristine since motorized boats are prohibited.

## JAMES M. ROBB COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK

This 35-mile park stretches like a strand of pearls, with each section specifically designed to cater to distinct interests. Stop first at Island Acres, best if you're traveling west on I-70. Take a swim in the lake amid the area's distinct landscape of ribbed plateaus. This area is also home to Colorado's Wine Country, and Palisade River Trips, offering relaxing ways to soak in views of the growing region. If you're looking for a river launch, the best location is Connected Lakes. It's an idyllic spot for boats and rafts and offers a pier for those looking to do a little warm-water fishing.



JET BOAT COLORADO

THE GRAND MESA



## HIGHLINE LAKE STATE PARK & MACK MESA LAKE

Located a half hour away from Downtown Grand Junction, Highline Lake State Park's two lakes have plenty of room for you to enjoy the thrill of racing past fellow jet skiers or notch it down for a relaxing kayak excursion. Head to Mack Mesa Lake for paddleboarding and cold- and warm-water fishing. If you're looking for an SUP tour, check out Grand Junction Stand Up Paddle Boarding Co.'s lessons, rentals and SUP yoga.

## RUBY-HORSETHIEF CANYON

If getting off the beaten path is more your drink of water, visit the 25-mile stretch of the Colorado River that runs from Loma, Colorado, to Westwater, Utah. The Ruby-Horsethief section of the river is calm with occasional mild rapids encased in magnificent red-rock canyons. Bring your camera to photograph bighorn sheep, bald eagles and the canyons that envelop you as you float down the river. Want to leave the gear and planning to someone else? Book a memorable day trek with Rimrock Adventures.



JAMES M. ROBB  
COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK



MESA LAKES @EBENTER96

## Wet & Wild

Plan an excursion with Centennial Canoe Outfitters to glide along the Colorado River and camp on the shore, or learn how to wakeboard using a unique cable system at Imondi Wake Zone.

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## Did You Know?

Since it's rare for so many lakes and reservoirs to be found so close together at such a high elevation, the Grand Mesa is a true treasure. And the national forest's 10,000-foot altitude means cooler temps in the summer, making the 300 lakes a stellar retreat from the heat.



# GRAND JUNCTION INSIDE & OUT

Named for its enviable location at the confluence of the Colorado and Gunnison rivers, Grand Junction is a special kind of crossroads — a joining of ancient and modern, of rustic and refined, of nature and culture. Whether you are inside or out, Grand Junction provides experiences you will not find anywhere else in the world.

## INSIDE

### Creative Chops

The **Downtown Grand Junction Creative District** has a plethora of artistic treasures, including murals, art galleries, hundreds of outdoor sculptures, and public pianos. Start your exploration with a **First Friday Art Walk** jumping off from the area's flagship gallery, the **Western Colorado Center for the Arts** — friendly staffers will give you the lowdown on other participating shops and collectives, like the **Working Artists Gallery & Studio**.

### Peak Performance

Grand Junction is also a great place to embrace the performing arts. The historic **Avalon Theatre** has welcomed pop artists through the decades, from Al Jolson to Bela Fleck, and is host to the **Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra** and **High Desert Opera** — both offer outstanding productions.

### Tune Up

If you're more the standing-room-only music type, hit up the **Mesa Theater** for local and national acts ranging from Stryper to Leftover Salmon. **Warehouse 25** **Sixty-Five Kitchen & Bar** is music to your senses; treat your taste buds to the Loaded Haystacks (cheese-and-bacon-stuffed hash-brown balls) and listen to

## Make Scents

Create your own candles using more than 120 different scents at Candle Kitchen GJ, or pop into Funky Junk DIY Studio during their Open Studio time to make your own custom home decor. All guidance and materials are provided.

country-flavored acts like Jordan Davis and the hometown regular Gary Russell Band.

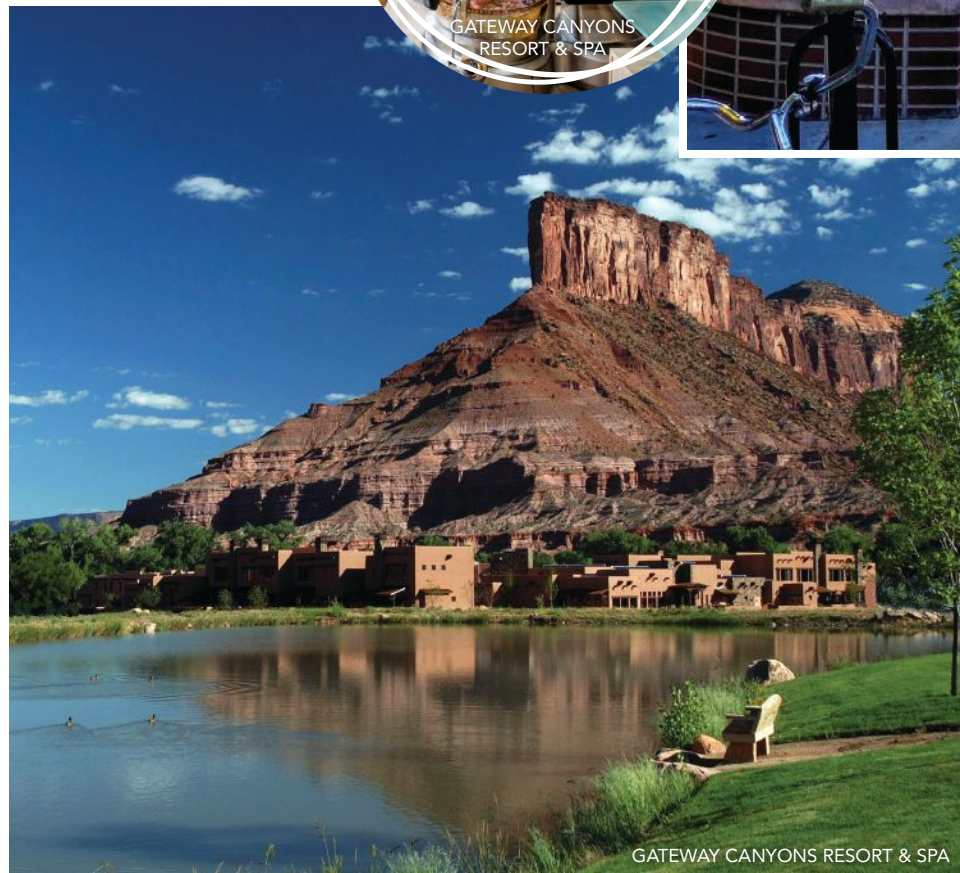
### History Lesson

For a comprehensive (and thoroughly enjoyable) overview of the area's fascinating heritage, check out the **Museum of the West**. Start with a trip up the Sterling T. Smith Education Tower, where you'll get a 360-degree view of local geology/geography and regional archaeology. Then head inside to travel back to a time of gun-toting outlaws, rickety stagecoaches and one-room schoolhouses.

### Western Civilization

Take a day trip to the exclusive **Gateway Canyons**

**resort**, tucked away in the secluded Unaweep Canyon, about 50 miles southwest of Grand Junction. After enjoying quintessential Colorado experiences like horseback riding and sport shooting, adjourn to the Kayenta Lodge for a relaxing yoga class — then head to the spa for award-winning face and body treatments using locally sourced ingredients.



GATEWAY CANYONS RESORT & SPA

## OUTSIDE

### Corner Culture

Conceived in 1984 by local sculptor Dave Davis, **Art on the Corner** is, shall we say, the cornerstone of Grand Junction's art-focused culture. Today, a diverse collection (of more than 100 sculptures) is on permanent display throughout the city's vibrant downtown. Each year, visiting experts curate a temporary sculpture exhibit, and if you think you have the perfect place to relocate a piece to your home — many are for sale.

House to see magical metamorphosis in action.

### Purple Reign

Growing conditions in the area are just perfect for lavender. Swing by **Belli Fiori Lavender Farm** for a stroll through their peaceful fields (they have 1,000 plants in 11 varieties) and browse a variety of items infused with the fragrant herb, including sugars, candles and bath & body care products.

### Fresh Finds

No matter what you're planning to do during your Grand Junction getaway, there's no better place to shop for provisions than the **Grand Junction area Farmers Markets**. Stock up on locally grown fruits, veggies and flowers, as well as a variety of baked goods and other tempting ready-to-eat foods, including artisan gifts, all to the accompaniment of local musicians.

### Flower Power

Occupying a tranquil 15-acre tract on the banks of the Colorado River, the **Western Colorado Botanical Gardens** is home to 600 local and exotic plant species. Stroll through the rose, herb, native, Western heritage and children's secret gardens (all peppered with picturesque fish ponds and lush landscaping) before making a visit to the Butterfly



GRAND JUNCTION FARMERS' MARKET

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LAVENDER FIELDS | CLAIRE CODLING



WESTERN COLORADO BOTANICAL GARDENS



GRAND JUNCTION FARMERS MARKET



ART ON THE CORNER



SUP YOGA WITH GJ STAND-UP PADDLEBOARDING CO.

## OUTSIDE (CONT'D)

### Furry Friends

Some of the area's cutest residents are ready to guide you through a peach orchard at **SunCrest Orchard Alpacas and Fiber Works**. Learn about the friendly animals, be paired with your own alpaca and take a 45-minute trek through the pastoral landscape. SunCrest also offers Mill Tours, including an overview of how natural fibers are transformed into yarn, as well as a store where you may purchase gifts made from alpaca yarn.

### Board Games

Any ol' landlubber can float around on a stand-up paddleboard. But you haven't truly mastered the game until you've tried your hand (and the rest of your body) at SUP yoga with **Grand Junction Stand Up Paddle Boarding Co.** You'll start with some basic yoga postures on land, then cast off in nearby Highline Lake for a short paddle — followed by an unforgettable floating asana sequence on your paddleboard.

### River Dance

It's practically illegal to visit Colorado without attending some kind of outdoor music shindig — which is exactly why places like **Ampitheater at Las Colonias Park** exist. So grab your picnic blanket, lawn chairs and farmers' market goodies, and head down to this intimate riverfront venue to catch acts like country favorites Sawyer Brown, the Charlie Daniels Band and rock artist, Blue Oyster Cult.

### Grape Expectations

What's better than an outdoor concert under clear Colorado skies? An outdoor concert in one of Grand Junction's most popular vineyards boasting spectacular views of the Colorado National Monument: **Two Rivers Winery & Chateau**. This family-owned winery proudly hosts unforgettable evenings with the Grand Junction Symphony Orchestra. Should you happen to have one glass too many, the Chateau has 10 luxe guest rooms to choose from.



TWO RIVERS WINERY & CHATEAU



LAS COLONIAS AMPHITHEATER

### Follow the Locals ↪

"One of the things I love about the Colorado National Monument is that it's only 10 minutes outside of the city. It's so accessible. When you camp there, it's beautiful during the day but at night you escape the city lights and it's like a whole new place with an awesome view of the sky."

— Ryan Dutch,  
Colorado Mesa University Outdoor Program director

# Your Perfect Day in GRAND JUNCTION

With more than our fair share of natural and cultural resources, we've curated five specialized day trips to pique your interest and stimulate your senses — plan your perfect day!



BIN 707 FOODBAR

## CULINARY CRAFT

Grand Junction offers trendy food with substance, providing you with local farm-to-table nourishment and wine-tasting adventures.

### MORNING:

Start strong with a hearty breakfast at **Spoons Bistro & Bakery** — we especially love the Florentine Benedict, which swaps the traditional ham for spinach, avocado and feta cheese. Next, you're off to **Belli Fiori Lavender Farm** for a stroll through the fragrant purple fields. The Proietti family has been farming lavender in California and Colorado since 1945; be sure to stop at the Farmhouse Shop to sample Lisa Proietti's heavenly small-batch aromatherapy, bath and culinary products.

### AFTERNOON:

Grab a light lunch of seasonal local fare at **Bin**

**707 Foodbar**, where Chef Josh Niernberg, a James Beard semifinalist chef, serves up seasonal Colorado cuisine. You can't go wrong with their popular Tempura Artichoke Hearts or Brussel Sprouts Caesar. Get rolling again on a rented eBike or cruiser at **Colorado E Bikes** to experience the **Colorado Riverfront Trail** system, 24.5 miles of scenic paved and packed trails connected to Downtown Grand Junction.

Or pedal the **Fruit & Wine Byway**, a 25-mile system of paved backcountry roads connecting 25 different points of interest — including more than a dozen wineries, fruit stands, and farms. Don't miss High

Country Orchards, Colterris Winery, Carlson Vineyards, Alida's Fruits or Aloha Organic Fruit.

### EVENING:

End your wining-and-dining day with a relaxing dinner at **626 on Rood**, where locally grown produce is perfectly paired with responsibly raised seafood, poultry and game. We're big fans of the Roasted Palisade Plums and Scallops. After your meal, adjourn to **Ciarra's Cantina** for a Ciaratini and a host of other intriguing libations.

Learn more about Grand Junction-made delights on page 36.



626 ON ROOD

## Follow the Locals →

"Hop on an eBike and coast the Fruit and Wine Byway surrounded by fruit-bearing orchards while you visit several of the 31 wineries.

— Rondo Buecheler,  
Rapid Creek Cycles

## GIRLFRIENDS' GETAWAY

Your main squeeze is great and all, but your BFFs have a much higher capacity for Beaujolais and baby goat videos. This itinerary is for them ... and you.

### MORNING:

Rise and shine with a light breakfast at **Cafe Sol** — not because you're cutting carbs, but because a full tummy may slow your asana down. Your next stop is **SunCrest Orchard Alpacas and Fiber Works**, where you'll take a Trekking Tour with your own alpaca through the farm's shade dappled orchards (comfy shoes required). On your way out, visit the Farm Store for a souvenir spun from 100 percent alpaca fiber.

### AFTERNOON:

Worked up an appetite on your mat? That's good, because **Tacoparty** offers six appetizers and six tacos, rotating weekly — and you'll probably want to try them all. Next, head over to **Fat Cat Pottery** to dive into your creative side. As a hands-on pottery studio, you can design ready-to-paint ceramics or throw and sculpt your own masterpiece.

Unplug and paint outside the lines.

Speaking of souvenirs, nothing says "girls' trip" like a boutique crawl. Get your retail therapy at **Klik** (stylish/edgy), **Pollux** (vibrant/trendy) and **Zephyr** (upscale/designer). Then wrap up your afternoon with a wine tasting and tour at **Two Rivers Winery and Chateau**, which offers a wide range of award-winning varietals to try.

### EVENING:

Tonight, you're destined for **Le Rouge Restaurant and Piano Bar**, where upscale French-inspired cuisine (savory crepes and Courvoisier Terrine, *ma jolie amie?*) is accompanied by an impressive list of artisan cocktails and high-quality live jazz. It's the perfect way to wind down after your whirlwind "chic" day.



TACO PARTY



CANDLE KITCHEN GJ

### Some Like It Hot

Book a stay at one of these hotels, where hot tubs and heated pools are your crew's ticket to relaxation.

- Clarion Inn
  - Comfort Inn
  - Days Inn
  - DoubleTree by Hilton
  - Fairfield Inn & Suites
  - Grand Vista Hotel
  - Holiday Inn Express & Suites
  - Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Grand Junction-Airport
  - Home 2 Suites by Hilton
  - Hotel Maverick
  - Residence Inn
  - Springhill Suites
- \* Many vacation homes offer hot tubs



JET BOAT COLORADO

## FAM JAM

The key to a truly memorable family day is balancing variety and adrenaline with just enough down time. Try this itinerary on for size.

### MORNING:

The day's journey begins at **Main Street Bagels**, where the whole family can fuel up on house-made treats — including bagels, artisan bread, handcrafted granola and a variety of other baked goodies. Hot Tip: take a bag of their Peanut Butter Crunch granola for later, after the adrenaline rush of your morning with **Jet Boat Colorado** wears off.

Yes, you're about to embark upon the ride of a lifetime, on a New Zealand-style jet-boat ride through the twists and turns of the Colorado River. The scenery of Colorado's canyon country is decidedly breathtaking ... but it's your expert driver's thrilling moves, including fishtails, power slides and speed runs, that will leave your little ones gasping with supercharged delight.

### AFTERNOON:

After your midday meal selected from **Rockside Restaurant & Brewery's** expansive, something-for-everyone menu, let the kids choose their own adventure! Experience an earthquake and uncover Jurassic-era bones at

the interactive, hands-on **Dinosaur Journey**. Watch a real beehive in action at the **EUREKA! McConnell Science Museum**, along with more than 100 other exhibits designed to make the wonders of science accessible to all ages. Also check out **Get Air Trampoline Park** and **Bananas Fun Park** too!

Need a sweet afternoon pick-me-up? **Gelato Junction** boasts nearly 80 flavors of the creamy confection, with unique ones like apple pie and the traditional Italian flavors of Zabajone — as well as soda-fountain classics like sundaes and shakes.

### EVENING:

Perk up your little peeps with dinner at **Enzo's**, where delights like The Meat-Baller Calzone and Oregon Orange Brandy Chicken Scaloppini are made from scratch while you enjoy a mouth-watering Asiago Artichoke Dip. Then scoot down to the **Grand Junction Motor Speedway**, where kids as young as 5 can pilot karts around the world-class sprint track. You'll squeal with excitement as they zoom across the finish line.

GELATO JUNCTION





GATEWAY CANYONS AUTO MUSEUM

## HISTORY HOUND

From disco-era muscle cars to dinosaur bones and beyond, this educational yet exhilarating itinerary looks to both earth and sky in its search for enlightenment.

### MORNING:

Start your journey into the past at **Dream Cafe**, where the owners promise to help you “dine on Cloud 9.” Order their daily specialty: fluffy, house-made cinnamon rolls roughly the size of your head.

This sugary sustenance will energize you through an informative morning walking the **Dinosaur Hill Interpretive Trail**, a mile-long self-guided hike that hits 10 points of geological and paleontological interest. For a more unstructured exploration, visit the nearby **Fruita Paleontological Area**; this half-mile patch of scrubby bentonite cradles a perfectly preserved slice of the Jurassic Period. Keep your eyes peeled for real-life fossil hunters.

### AFTERNOON:

Break for lunch in historic Downtown Grand Junction at one of the longest-operating businesses in the downtown area, **Blue Moon Bar & Grille**, where the globally inspired menu feels like a journey in and

of itself. Then head over to the **Museum of the West**, where the interdisciplinary Western Investigations Team works to solve enduring mysteries of local heritage — including the gruesome tale of Colorado’s infamous prospector turned cannibal, Alferd Packer. Learn about their latest project before striking out for **Gateway Canyons**, an exclusive resort built and formerly owned by Discovery Channel founder, John Hendricks. His **Auto Museum** is home to more than 60 mint-condition automobiles dating from 1906–1971. We promise you can’t imagine how amazing this collection is, so be sure to visit.

### EVENING:

For a crash course in Italian culinary history, you’ll dine at **il Bistro Italiano**, where owner and Chef Brunella puts a Colorado-style spin on traditional dishes from her native land, Bibbiano, Italy. Then, it’s time for the ultimate nightcap: stargazing at the **Colorado National Monument**.



IL BISTRO ITALIANO



DREAM CAFE

## Crack the Code 🗝️

Test your puzzle-solving skills at Solve It Escape Games or The Escape House, a unique way to unplug.



## GRAND GETAWAY

Using Grand Junction as your home base, take your daytime explorations farther afield in surrounding towns to unpack all the area has to offer.

### MORNING:

There's no better way to kick off a day of cycling than a visit to **Cafe Sol** in Downtown Grand Junction. Locals love the daily quiche du jour and the dutch baby pancakes. For a heartier option, consider the generously packed breakfast burrito bursting with over a dozen ingredients to choose from.

Once you've fueled up for the day, take on Grand Junction's iconic **Lunch Loops**, which offers thrilling mountain biking trails amid the dips and ridges of the vast canyons near Colorado National Monument. Loops, 2 to 28 miles long, range from moderate to difficult.

### AFTERNOON:

Kick off the afternoon with lunch at **Pablo's Pizza**. Inspired by Pablo Picasso, their revolutionary, one-of-a-kind pizzas are every bit as

creative as the artist. Their daily house-made dough is topped with only the freshest ingredients that includes locally sourced products. While the entire menu is mouthwatering, go straight for the seasonal pie creations which are designed by locals.

After your meal, take a picturesque float trip through wine country to Corn Lake State Park. **Palisade River Trips** offers guided trips and self-guided rentals. You'll work up a thirst out there on the water, so your next stop is the **Highlands Distillery's** tasting room for sips of your favorite spirits — with emphasis on expert infusions made with local flavors, including lavender infusions from **Belli Fiori Lavender Farms**.

If a crisp hard cider's more your speed, hit up **Talbott's Farm Market and Taproom** for fruity flavors forged

over five generations. Then walk off your buzz amid the creative musings of **Palisade Art Vision**, a rotating collection of public sculpture installations from local and regional artists.

### EVENING:

Your night starts with an early dinner at **Devil's Kitchen**. The Grand Junction sunset reflects off the Book Cliffs unveiling a magical backdrop when dining on the spacious rooftop patio. Try their signature Deviled Kitchen Eggs or their crispy Duck Wings. The regionally inspired menu, combined with the views, make this spot as grand as they come. Then get ready for a brief return to the Old West at the **Rimrock Rodeo**, where local cowpokes compete in events like barrel racing, bull riding, calf roping, mutton bustin' and more (Tuesday evenings, June–August).



@PABLOS PIZZA



TALBOTT'S TAPROOM



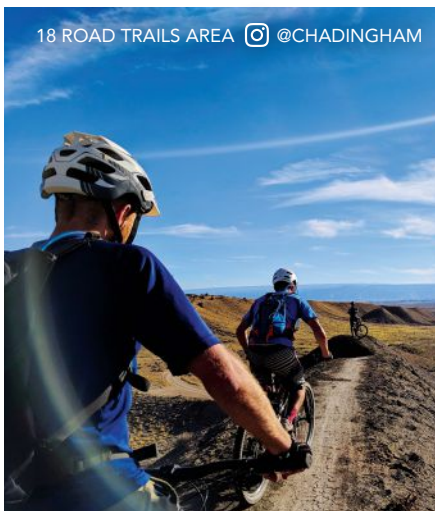
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STEVE TRAUDT



HIGHLANDS DISTILLERY @CONFESSIONSOFKAITLIN



18 ROAD TRAILS AREA @CHADINGHAM

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COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY SOCCER



JUCO  
BASEBALL



# GOOD SPORT: FAN-FAVORITE AFFAIRS

## Get in the Game

Participate in these heart-pounding events.

- Madhorn Fat Bike Races, Powderhorn Mountain Resort, **WINTER**
- Desert Rats Trail Running Festival (10k, half marathon, trail marathon, 50k), **SPRING**
- The Grand Junction Off-Road Races & Downtown Music Festival, **SPRING**
- Grand Valley 5k, 10k, Half Marathon & Marathon, Downtown Palisade, **SPRING**
- Peachy Run, 5k & 10k, Palisade, **SUMMER**
- Tour of the Moon Grand Cycling Classic, Colorado National Monument, **FALL**
- Rim Rock Marathon & Half Marathon, Colorado National Monument, **FALL**

Grand Junction's residents are passionate about sports — and their enthusiasm is evident in every season. For event dates and details, go to [VisitGrandJunction.com/Events](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Events)

### CMU Mavericks

Colorado Mesa University's Mavericks play National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II college football, baseball, tennis, soccer, lacrosse, softball and volleyball, so there are oodles of opportunities to deck out in maroon, white and gold year-round. The football season runs September through November with exhilarating home games at Ralph Stocker Stadium, while the CMU ice-hockey team faces off against schools from all over the country, with their season running from September–February at River City Sportplex. [CMUMavericks.com](http://CMUMavericks.com)

### JUCO World Series

Home to the Junior College (JUCO) baseball world series since 1958, Grand Junction plays host to this beloved annual tradition during the last week in May. Afternoons and evenings fill with excitement as you hear the crack of the bat from the nation's best athletes who face off against pitchers throwing in the range of 80 - 96 mph. JUCO is also a stage for players who have earned the right to walk out on Suplizio Field and display their athleticism in front of Major League Baseball scouts, who look to draft the best JUCO players into the big leagues like Bryce Harper, Trevor Rosenthal,

and Kirby Puckett. [JucoGJ.org](http://JucoGJ.org)

### Colorado Special Olympics Summer Games

Colorado's Special Olympics Summer Games take place at Colorado Mesa University in June. The inspiring opening ceremony supports more than 1,000 athletes competing in individual and team competitions, such as flag football and soccer. Want to make a difference? Volunteer opportunities are also available. [SpecialOlympicsCo.org](http://SpecialOlympicsCo.org)

## Meet a CMU Student

"I came to Grand Junction for Colorado Mesa University and immediately fell in love with the location. It truly is Grand! The natural beauty that the Colorado National Monument and the Grand Mesa have to offer, make me feel spoiled by the grace of Mother Nature. I also love that Grand Junction residents support the university's sports teams and the student body as a whole."

— **Mason Barrows**, Colorado Mesa University Class of 2021

# GET OUTSIDE: GRAND JUNCTION'S PUBLIC LANDS BY THE NUMBERS

Rivers that beckon paddlers, anglers and floaters. Verdant city and state parks teeming with trails and translucent lakes. Open spaces thick with pinyon-juniper forests. Surreal canyonlands and other majestic landscapes. Grand Junction's public lands come in many shapes and forms. And since 76 percent of the area's lands are public, there are more than 1.5 million acres to explore.



## Fun Fact

Seventy-six percent of Mesa County is public land. The 3,341-square-mile county is larger than Rhode Island and Delaware combined.

## Bonus:

Unparalleled convenience (many natural areas are located within just 30 minutes of the city and easily accessible) and fewer crowds than other Colorado mountain towns make experiencing one-on-one time with nature even easier.



# 1,559,551 Acres of Public Lands IN MESA COUNTY

GRAND MESA NATIONAL FOREST



## Fun Fact

The highest peak in Mesa County is Leon Peak at 11,241 feet.



### 981,360 Acres of Bureau of Land Management Lands

McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area, Bangs Canyon Recreation Area, Dominguez-Escalante National Conservation Area, Grand Junction OHV Area and more

#### UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES:

- Feast your eyes on 140-million-year-old plant and **dinosaur fossils** in an active quarry on the 1.5-mile Trail Through Time in McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area's Rabbit Valley.
- Take your mountain bike to Lunch Loops or the Kokopelli Loops for **single track** that is coveted around the world with scenery that can't be beat.
- Climb mesas and ridges and blaze your own path through a labyrinth of ATV and **4x4 trails**, as well as single-track trails that dirtbikers say are too good to be true, all in the massive Grand Junction OHV Area.
- Spy on appaloosas and other breeds of **wild horses** as they roam rugged canyons and plateaus at the Little Book Cliffs Wild Horse Range.



### 20,500 Acres of National Park Service Lands

Colorado National Monument

#### UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES:

- Count 16 switchbacks in less than 2 miles on the original dirt road into the Monument — the Serpent's Trail — one of 15 **hiking routes** in the park.
- Keep your eyes peeled for mule deer, coyotes, **desert bighorn sheep**, bald eagles, and smaller critters like lizards, Hopi chipmunks and rock squirrels.
- Pedal from one end of the Monument to the other on the 23-mile Rim Rock Drive, a road open to motorists and seasoned **cyclists** featuring out-of-this-world panoramas of sheer-walled canyons and rock sculptures.
- Book a free **ranger-guided tour** to find out how millions of years of erosion carved Rim Rock Drive's stone tunnels or embark on a full-moon hike under a tapestry of stars.

To learn more about public lands, fees and permits, please check out, [VisitGrandJunction.com/Fees](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Fees)



### 400,000+ Acres of National Forests

Grand Mesa and Uncompahgre National Forests

#### UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES:

- Travel to Grand Mesa National Forest's Trickle Park Reservoir area for wonderfully remote **fishing** and **camping** at Military Park and Stell reservoirs, just two of the 300 lakes on the Grand Mesa — the world's largest flat-top mountain.
- Discover kaleidoscopic **wildflower views** in the summer months on the 2-mile Carson Hole Trail in the Uncompahgre National Forest, about 35 miles south of Grand Junction.
- Weave through aspen groves and pine forests on your **ATV** or **dirtbike** to enjoy gorgeous glimpses of the Dolores River Canyon on the Rim Road/Divide Forks ATV Complex in the Uncompahgre National Forest.
- **Ski** or **board** more than 1,600 acres of mountain terrain in the winter at Powderhorn Mountain Resort, snuggled on the Grand Mesa's northern edge.



MOUNT GARFIELD AT THE BOOK CLIFFS



### 36 Grand Junction City Parks

Columbine Park, Lincoln Park, Canyon View Park, Las Colonias Park, Cottonwood Meadows Park, Darla Jean Park, Westlake Park and more

#### UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES:

- Watch the virtual **Lincoln Park Arboretum tour** by going to this link, [arcg.is/1ifHjy0](http://arcg.is/1ifHjy0), to learn about the 71 types of trees planted in the green space.
- Play a game of **frisbee** or **sand volleyball**, or simply let the little ones expel some energy at Columbine Park's playground.
- Catch a **concert** at Las Colonias Park Amphitheater, a 130-acre sanctuary on the banks of the Colorado River that celebrates the city's proud multicultural history.
- Let your four-legged friend stretch their legs while you soak in lovely views of the Book Cliffs at Canyon View Park's off-leash **dog park**.

### 3 State Parks

James M. Robb – Colorado River State Park, Vega State Park and Highline Lake State Park

#### UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES:

- Bike or hike 7 miles of trails or fish for rainbow trout at Vega State Park, also a haven for **ice fishing** and **cross-country skiing** in the winter.
- Choose from five distinct sections at James M. Robb – Colorado River State Park for activities ranging from **stand-up paddleboarding** to **wildlife spotting**: Island Acres, Corn Lake, Colorado River Wildlife Area, Connected Lakes and Fruita.
- Boat, float, water ski, sail, SUP or lounge on the **swim beach** at Highline Lake State Park's two bodies of water, or hike to the top of Mack Mesa for 360-degree views of the Grand Junction.
- **Pitch a tent** amid lush greenery or colorful canyon vistas in the Island Acres and Fruita sections of James M. Robb – Colorado River State Park.

Browse park listings on page 45 and discover more unforgettable moments on our public lands at [VisitGrandJunction.com/PublicLands](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/PublicLands).

MCINNIS CANYONS NATIONAL CONSERVATION AREA



COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT



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VEGA STATE PARK

## Traveling with Your Pup?

Don't fret! Most hiking routes in Grand Junction welcome leashed dogs, with the exception of Colorado National Monument, where dogs aren't permitted on trails. Find dog-friendly trails on page 8 and learn more about visiting with your furry pal on page 34.

# 4 SEASONS OF OUTDOOR PURSUITS

With our diverse landscapes and ample wide-open space, epic adventure is a year-round pursuit in western Colorado. Here's your season-by-season guide to getting the most out of Grand Junction's great outdoors — no matter what time of year you plan to visit.



ASPENS ON THE GRAND MESA

## FALL

### Hiking

There are countless places to catch a glimpse of the brilliant fall colors on the Grand Mesa, but it's hard to top the 11-mile **Crag Crest Trail** — literally. High atop the mesa at a dizzying 11,170 feet, Crag Crest gives you a bird's-eye view of mountainsides gilded with shimmering aspens. Find more hiking trails on page 8 and at [VisitGrandJunction.com/HikingTrails](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/HikingTrails).

### Hunting

The Grand Junction area is a mecca for big game and big birds, starting at the **Uncompahgre Plateau** all the way to the **White River and Gunnison National Forests**. Hunting season for elk, pronghorn, deer, moose, desert bighorn sheep and other game runs from September through mid-November, while winter brings scores of ducks and geese to the Colorado River.

### Fishing

**FUN FACT:** Grand Junction is named for the convergence of the **Colorado** and **Gunnison rivers** — two fantastic spots for trout fishing in our crisp-yet-sunny fall weather. The high-elevation lakes and streams of the Grand Mesa are also great destinations. Learn more about hunting and fishing at [VisitGrandJunction.com/HuntingFishing](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/HuntingFishing).

Before setting out on your hunting or fishing excursion, you'll need to obtain the proper license from Colorado Parks and Wildlife — either online at [Cpw.state.co.us](http://Cpw.state.co.us), or at CPW's local offices and license vendors around the state.

## WINTER

### Skiing & Snowboarding

As Snow's Perfect State™, we don't need to remind you that Colorado is a winter-sports wonderland, but we never tire of talking up **Powderhorn Mountain Resort**. The Grand Mesa resort averages 250 inches of light, dry powder each year and boasts some of the best glade skiing in the state. Powderhorn is affordable and only 45 minutes from Grand Junction.

### Snowmobiling

Have a need for speed? Get your motor running on the **Sunlight to Powderhorn Trail**. This 120-mile route runs from Sunlight Mountain outside of Glenwood Springs to Powderhorn Mountain on the Grand Mesa, with spectacular mountain

backdrops and access to an additional 180 miles of trails along the way. Don't have a snow machine? Fret not, there are many rental shops to choose from.

### Cross Country Skiing & Snowshoeing

The heavy snowfall and flat-top mountain terrain of the **Grand Mesa** make it a shoe-in for cross-country skiing, skate skiing and snowshoeing, thanks in large part to the Grand Mesa Nordic Council, which maintains 31 miles of glorious, groomed trails. Like to go off-piste? Pristine, ungroomed backcountry skiing is also available on the mesa. Find more winter activities in Grand Junction at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Blog/Snow-Much-Fun-Grand-Junction](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Blog/Snow-Much-Fun-Grand-Junction).



CROSS COUNTRY SKIING ON GRAND MESA

### Follow the Locals

"The Grand Mesa, which tops out at just over 11,000 feet and is only 45 minutes from Downtown Grand Junction, is a true winter wonderland. While we like alpine skiing and cross-country skiing at Powderhorn, there is also a wealth of opportunity for snowmobiling."

— **Kristen Lummis**, Grand Junction native & writer ([BraveSkiMom.com](http://BraveSkiMom.com))

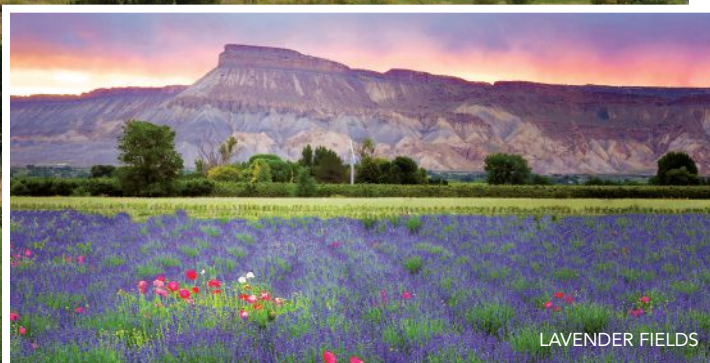
SUMMER 

## Golfing

If your idea of a great day on the links includes immaculately groomed greens and red-rock canyons rising in the distance, you'll love playing golf in Grand Junction. **Tiara Rado, Redlands Mesa** (rated the No. 1 Course in Colorado by *Golfweek*) and **Adobe Creek** all afford golfers stunning vistas of Colorado National Monument, while breathtaking views of the sandstone Book Cliffs and other surrounding mountain ranges can be found at **Chipeta** and **Lincoln Park** golf courses. Learn more at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Golf](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Golf).



GOLF CLUB AT REDLANDS MESA



LAVENDER FIELDS

## Camping

In the height of summer, temperatures stay cool on top of the Grand Mesa. Pitch your tent high above the heat at **Island Lake** or **Ward Lake campgrounds**, both at 10,000 feet and where you can enjoy wildflower hikes and top-notch lake fishing. Alternatively, the grassy, shaded **Book Cliffs Campground** at **Highline Lake State Park** in **Loma** is the perfect home base for all types of water recreation, including swimming, boating and bass fishing. Find more campsites at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Campsites](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Campsites).

## Whitewater Rafting

The Colorado River runs just south of Downtown Grand Junction, but it's the **Westwater Canyon** stretch — about 30 miles down the river — where the region's most popular whitewater rafting trips commence. Connect with a local outfitter (see listings on page 44) to book an epic day on the water and learn more at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Rafting](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Rafting).

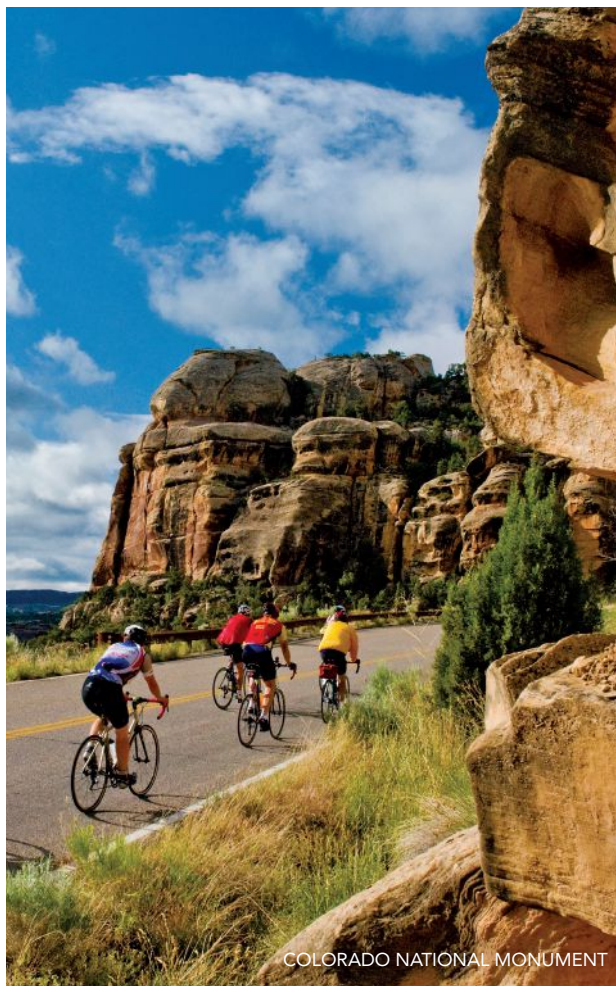
SPRING 

## Road &amp; Mountain Biking

Choose between sweeping views of **Rim Rock Drive** at Colorado National Monument, ridgeline rides of **18 Road** or the ultra-technical twists and turns of **Lunch Loops** — Grand Junction is blessed with some of the best cycling in the world. Come springtime, the region plays host to a number of biking events, like the **Grand Enduro** and the **Grand Junction Off-Road Mountain Bike Endurance Event**.

## Birding

Better bring your binoculars: **The Riverfront Trail System** is home to the 1.5-mile Audubon Section, just across the Colorado River from Downtown Grand Junction. Paved and perfect for hiking or biking, the trail offers delightful opportunities to spot blue heron, osprey, hawks and more. Discover more at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Spring](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Spring).



COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT



# Roam OHV

NORTH FRUITA DESERT

## OFF-ROAD FUN

### Year-Round Dirt

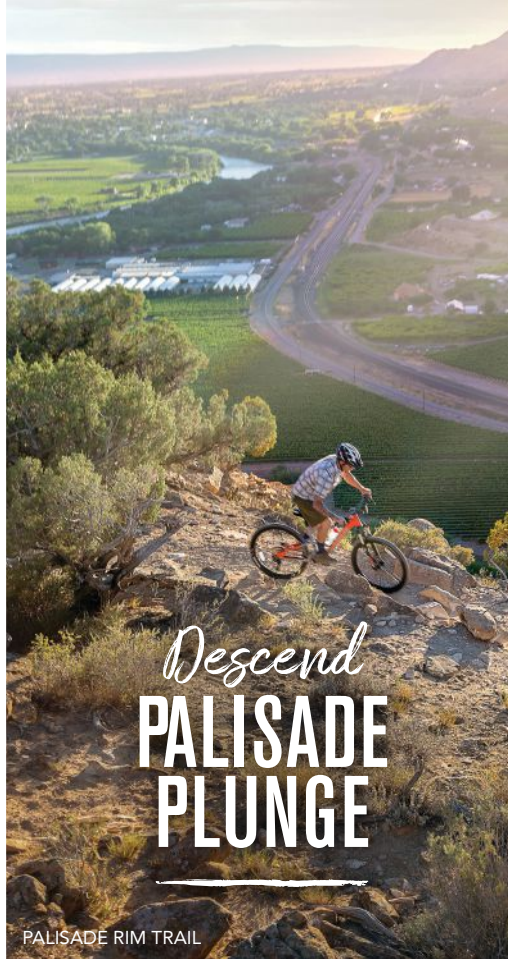
With hundreds of roads and trails to power your engines on, there are unlimited options to enjoy your off-highway vehicle (OHV) on, including your side-by-side, ATV, dirt bike and four-wheel drive. Many of the trails are open year-round.

### Popular Trails

Access points around Grand Junction offer over 480,000 acres of public lands that are open to OHV travel. Trails in OHV areas zig-zag back and forth across the striking landscape. Bangs Canyon and Rabbit Valley Recreation Area are two popular OHV areas in Grand Junction. The Grand Mesa and North Fruita Desert also fun areas offering a labyrinth of trails.

### Single Track

For avid dirt bike riders looking for single track, you will be surprised by the network of trails available in the Grand Junction area – check out Third Flats. We’ve all heard of Moab, but there is vastly more single track here. Bring your own machinery or rent from several businesses who carry a wide range of inventory.



# Descend PALISADE PLUNGE

PALISADE RIM TRAIL

## PALISADE PLUNGE

### One-Of-A-Kind Descent

Plunge from the top of the Grand Mesa National Forest for 32 miles of downhill single-track adrenaline-pumping action. The Plunge trail connects the top of the Grand Mesa to the valley with 6000 feet in elevation descent through pristine public lands.

### Rooted in History

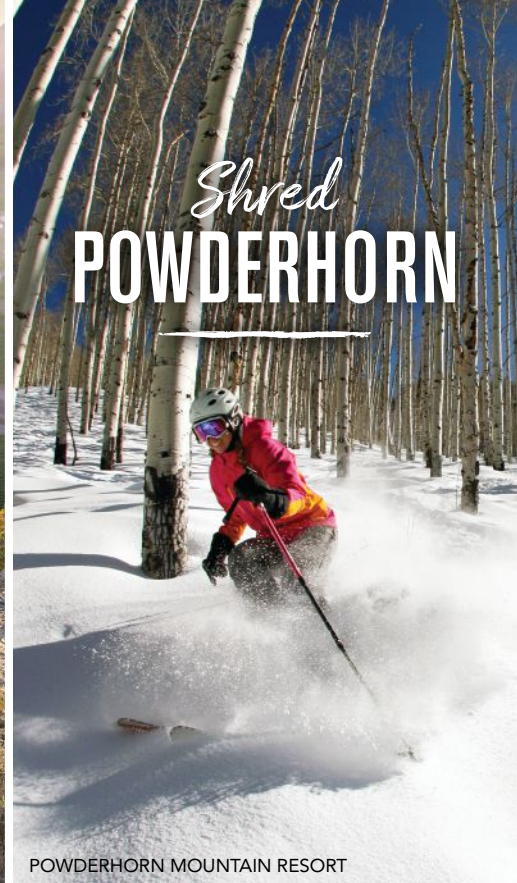
The route connects a variety of trails on top of the Grand Mesa which are steeped in history. John Otto forged new paths more than a century ago. Otto was a local explorer who was Colorado National Monument’s first custodian, and was the main advocate for getting the Monument recognized as part of the National Park System.

### Scenery

The single-track trail winds through aspen groves, alpine forests and high desert, some of which has long been unused for hundreds of years, except by 4th generation ranchers and their cattle.

### Expert

Yes, you read that right! This singletrack is not for the faint of heart. There is no exit route, so once you commit, you’re all in.



# Shred POWDERHORN

POWDERHORN MOUNTAIN RESORT

## POWDERHORN

### Cool Vibe

Colorado is known for its huge resorts and high-end mountain villages, but the smaller ski resorts continue to grow and gain considerable interest. Affordable, family-friendly, no I-70 traffic jam (just 45 minutes from Grand Junction) and a comfortable vibe is why Powderhorn continues to attract newcomers.

### Powder

On average 250 inches of white fluffy snow blankets this ski resort which offers 1,600 feet of elevation gain and access to over 60 runs with 20 percent green, 50 percent blue and 30 percent black. Bear Claw, Mudslide, and Cannonball are a few favorites. From the top of the mountain, you can access an abundance of backcountry runs.

### Tree Skiing

Another quality that sets Powderhorn apart is the tree skiing. Much of the resort is covered with pine trees and dense aspen groves, making for unique powder-filled runs. Some of the best tree skiing on the mountain is accessed from the West End lift.

PHOTOS FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: NORTH FRUITA DESERT/B ZUERLEIN; PALISADE PLUNGE/RONDO BUECHELER; POWDERHORN/POWDERHORN MOUNTAIN RESORT.



# A DIFFERENT SIDE OF COLORADO

After living on the Front Range of Colorado for 25 years, I thought I knew Colorado inside and out. From adventuring in Rocky Mountain National Park to rafting the Arkansas River, climbing 14'ers to crawling up the Incline, hanging out at countless festivals to fine dining and craft beverage tasting – this and so much more is the Colorado we all know.

So, when I found myself moving to Grand Junction for a new gig, I certainly didn't think it would offer much of anything I hadn't experienced already. I couldn't have been more wrong! Here are just a few of the pleasant surprises that make me feel incredibly blessed to now call this special place home.

First off, Colorado National Monument blew my mind. Why isn't this breathtaking place a national park? I've never seen such striking landscapes. Seeing millions of years of the Earth's history in plain view in the exposed canyons provides me much-needed perspective. And finally, I get to experience night skies just a few minutes' drive outside of Downtown. Hello world!

I can hike on a ton of trails in plain ol' sneakers year-round. Grand Junction is high desert, which provides for mild climate all year, yet there are still four beautiful and unique seasons. Growing up on the East

## More Junction Adventures

Check out some of my other musings at [VisitGrandJunction.com/blog](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/blog). I love sharing local favorites, unique itineraries and trails less traveled.



HELLO GRAND JUNCTION

Coast, I like my seasons separate and distinct.

With so much public land and plenty of wide-open spaces, it's easy to adventure outdoors and not see a soul. It gets more and more difficult to recreate in other parts of Colorado and escape the crowds, but not in Grand Junction! It feels so roomy out here on this side of the Divide. I heard this when I arrived here and I am pretty convinced - Mother Nature really does play favorites.

No traffic and plenty of parking. You don't believe me, do you? It's true! It's so easy to get around Grand Junction, and parking

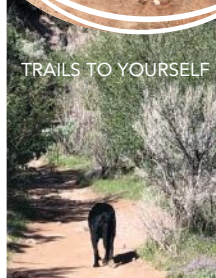
downtown is a breeze. The parking meters are only 50 cents per hour and free after 4 pm, including free weekends and holidays! Am I in Mayberry?

Agriculture! Farmland, pastures, vineyards and orchards weave through the area providing the sweetest produce I've ever tasted. I can pick my own or enjoy the area's fresh ingredients at the locally owned restaurants. There is a strong network of chefs in town who build their menus around locally sourced ingredients.

Grand Mesa is incredible. How have I not heard of this place? It's the largest flat-top mountain in the



TRAILS TO YOURSELF



world, and covered in hundreds of lakes. Name any outdoor activity and you can pretty much do it here. Winter offers every snow sport from skiing to ice fishing. Spring flowers are abundant with gushing waterfalls nearby. Summer offers the perfect playground for water sports without the crowds. And Fall colors shower the Mesa in a kaleidoscope of bright hues.

There is so much more to write about, it's difficult to stop here; but I'll close with sharing that the authentic western hospitality culture is alive and well in Junction. Whether you walk downtown or are in the grocery store, locals look you in the eye, smile and say hi! Overall, my only regret is not relocating here sooner. I feel like it's the Colorado I moved to so many years ago; but with all the changes in the state, I thought my quintessential Colorado was long gone. I'm so happy "the Colorado you expect" is alive and well in Grand Junction!

- Colorado Mountain Gal



GOODBYE FRONT RANGE



# LET YOUR EVENT COME TOGETHER HERE: WEDDINGS, CONFERENCES & BEYOND

Plenty to see and do around every corner, spacious gathering places, an excellent location on Interstate 70 and some of Colorado's most breathtaking landscapes make Grand Junction a flawless destination for gatherings big and small. Don't forget that Grand Junction Regional Airport is the fourth-busiest airport in the state, offering many direct flights to accommodate your conference attendees (learn more about flights on page 56).

## WEDDINGS

There are so many unique sites to say "I do" — picture a backdrop of multicolored rock spires framed by clear blue skies at Colorado National Monument or imagine your processional among vineyards at **Two Rivers Winery**. Dazzle your guests with a ceremony on the **Avalon Theatre's** rooftop terrace, where vistas of Downtown Grand Junction, the surrounding Book Cliffs, the Grand Mesa and Colorado National Monument provide the perfect backdrop for vows and views

you'll cherish for a lifetime. The roomy mezzanine level is ideal for receptions.

Discover more picture-perfect venues at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Weddings](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Weddings).

## MEETINGS

Grand Junction has over 3,200 hotel rooms and 105,000 square feet of meeting space at properties of various sizes that can accommodate any price range. Located at the heart of Downtown Grand Junction, **Grand Junction Convention Center** is the largest

convention center between Denver and Salt Lake City and can host groups of up to 2,000 people in 23,000 square feet of meeting and exhibit space.

**Colorado Mesa University** offers 20,000 square feet of indoor event space, including the 8,500-square-foot Meyer Ballroom accommodating 500 people. **Tiara Rado Golf Course** has the capacity to host up to 175 people, complemented by picturesque panoramas of the Colorado National Monument and the golf course; the perfect setting for team building opportunities.

## Affordable Lodging

Grand Junction is one of the most affordable places for groups of all sizes to visit in Colorado, especially when it comes to lodging — no matter what season. It's your basecamp for adventure.

## Boutique Event Venue

The Glorious Fig offers curated dining experiences complete with celebrated chefs and acclaimed mixologist for your private event up to 135 people. Eat, Drink, and Be Glorious!

TWO RIVERS WINERY & CHATEAU



AVALON THEATRE



GOLF CLUB AT REDLANDS MESA



GRAND JUNCTION CONVENTION CENTER

## Partner with Us

Go to [MeetGrandJunction.com](http://MeetGrandJunction.com) or call 970-244-1480.

## TEAM BUILDING

Grand Junction abounds with activities that stimulate conversation and collaboration. Plan a ranger-led tour or group hiking excursion in the **Colorado National Monument**, a ski trip to **Powderhorn Resort** or a First Friday outing in **Grand Junction's Certified Creative District**. Tastings at wineries and vineyards such as **Talon or Two Rivers wineries**, both situated near Downtown Grand Junction by many meeting spaces and hotels, are also popular group outings.

If volunteering is part of your meeting's agenda, there is no better way to learn about a city than spending a couple of hours with an organization with a mission that is important to the community, such as **Western Slope Food Bank**, **Kids Aid Backpack Program**, **Roice-Hurst Humane Society** or the **Veterans Memorial Cemetery** — just to name a few!

## Lodging with Conference Spaces

Here are some top-notch properties with standout meeting spaces.

- Castle Creek Manor
- The Chateau at Two Rivers Winery
  - Clarion Inn
- Courtyard by Marriott
- DoubleTree by Hilton
- Fairfield Inn & Suites
- Grand Vista Hotel
  - Hampton Inn
- Holiday Inn & Suites Grand Junction Airport
  - Hotel Maverick
- LaQuinta Inn & Suites
  - Quality Inn
  - Ramada Inn
  - Red Roof Inn
- Residence Inn by Marriott
  - SpringHill Suites
  - Travelodge



# GRAND JUNCTION

## Through Your DOG'S EYES

Four-legged visitors adore Grand Junction's outdoor splendor just as much as you do — so why leave a member of the family at home? Here are some signature activities that will earn you two paws up from your canine best friend.

### HUNTING

Whether you have a fowl- and small-game pointer or retriever or large-game tracking hound, we know your furry friend is an indispensable hunting companion. Bring them along for an epic elk- and deer-hunting adventure in the **Grand Mesa National Forest** or **Uncompahgre Plateau**, or to help you peg geese and ducks along the **Colorado River (public lands portions only)**. Learn more about hunting in the Grand Junction area on page 28 and at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Hunting](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Hunting).

### PATIO CHILLIN'

Soak up some sunshine on one of the many patios that allow leashed pooches. Grab some hearty grub at **Spoons Bistro & Bakery** or check out **Enzo's**, which has a couple of patios that overlook **Bookcliff Country Club**. **The Baker's Boutique** is located at the entrance to **Canyon View Park** - check it out, your pup would love to take you for a stroll in the City's largest park, nicely-groomed with lush grass.

### SUP

There are seemingly endless places to launch your stand-up paddleboard, from the **Grand Mesa National Forest's** 300 glassy lakes to the peaceful Colorado River, and pups with stellar balancing skills can go along for the ride. Need a board? Outfitters like **Grand Junction Stand Up Paddle Board** have your back.

### TRAIL SNIFFING

Enjoy hiking with your tail-wagging pal? With the exception of **Colorado National Monument**, where dogs are prohibited on trails, most hiking routes in the Grand Junction area are open to dogs. Go for an easy ramble through cottonwood groves and wetlands on the 24.5-mile **Riverfront Trail** (one-way) or score unparalleled sunset views of the Grand Mesa on the 8-mile **Palisade Rim Trail**. Leash laws vary at different locales, so be sure to review them before you head out.

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MESA LAKES

### Lodging

While many hotels in Grand Junction accommodate travelers with furry family members in tow, here are some cozy options to consider. Browse lodging listings starting on page 40 for more options.

- Clarion Inn
- Days Inn
- Fairfield Inn & Suites
- Hampton Inn
- Home2 Suites by Hilton
- Hotel Maverick
- La Quinta Inn & Suites
- SpringHill Suites



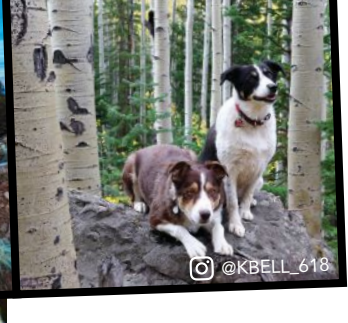
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JACK MILLARD

RIVERFRONT TRAIL

## Off-Leash Areas

While all of our city and state parks permit leashed dogs, here's where you can let your companion frolic off leash.

### GRAND MESA & UNCOMPAHGRE NATIONAL FORESTS

Our expansive national forests, including the Grand Mesa, have areas that are great places to let your pal explore untethered as long as they are under voice control. Other areas allow dogs on leashes no longer than 6 feet in developed recreation areas. Check regulations in individual destinations for details.

### CANYON VIEW DOG PARK

Views of the Book Cliffs and two separate areas for small and large breeds make Canyon View Dog Park a favorite for two- and four-legged friends alike.

### RIVERBEND PARK

Conveniently tucked right off Interstate 70, this Palisade green space is a nice spot where pups can take a dip in the Colorado River.



LUNCH LOOPS TRAILS

## Follow the Locals →

"If you want to enjoy a hike on the Colorado National Monument but have dogs you want to bring (since they're not allowed on park property), check out McInnis Canyons outside Fruita. It's got great monument views without the no-dogs restriction — just be sure to leave no trace!"

— **Amanda Helmick**, Grand Junction-based photographer ([Amanda Matilda Photography](#))

# YOU *Can* TAKE IT WITH YOU

The Grand Junction area is a land of artisans, growers, brewers and distillers. The best part? You can take their one-of-a-kind creations home with you. Leave some extra space in your suitcase and remember your trip fondly with these local must-haves.

## ◀ Belli Fiori

Lavender lovers rejoice! This small batch lavender farm uses the fragrant flower to create bath bombs, soaps, candles, body wash, and even dog shampoo! Visit the historic farmhouse to browse their collection of homemade goods or take a stroll through the lavender fields. [BelliFioriLavender.com](http://BelliFioriLavender.com)



## Bella Balsamic & The Pressed Olive

Get ready to step up your cooking game with cold pressed olive oils and every flavor of balsamic vinegar imaginable. Sample balsamics right from the tap before filling your own bottle to take with you! [BellaBalsamic.net](http://BellaBalsamic.net)

## Hill People Gear

The folks at Hill People Gear are serious about the outdoors. They know what it's like to have gear fail while on the trail, so they set out to build packs that are tough enough to handle whatever Mother Nature can throw at them. Grab one for your next adventure, or fill it with other local products. [HillPeopleGear.com](http://HillPeopleGear.com)



## ▲ Two Rivers Winery & Chateau

Named for the convergence of the mighty Colorado and the Gunnison, Two Rivers uses Grand Junction's famous grapes to make award-winning wine. Find your favorite in their elegant tasting room and take a bottle or two home with you! [TwoRiversWinery.com](http://TwoRiversWinery.com)

## Rockslide Brewery

Grand Junction's original craft brewery has been brewing up happiness for over 25 years. Their locally inspired beers and seasonal creations are crafted with pure Colorado snow melt, which you can take home with you in a Rockslide growler! [RockslideBrewPub.com](http://RockslideBrewPub.com)

## ▶ Sugarsky

Show your love for the Grand Junction area with an eco-friendly headband, designed to be worn 4 different ways. Comfortable, Moisture-wicking and stylish, Sugarsky is sure to become your new favorite wardrobe accessory! Did we mention Sugarsky is always coming up with new custom designs? [Sugarsky.com](http://Sugarsky.com)



## Suncrest Orchard Alpacas

Imagine plunging your hands into mittens so soft that you'll never want to take them off. Suncrest Orchard Alpacas raises alpacas and turns their wonderfully soft fibers into cozy gloves, hats, and even dryer balls. [SuncrestOrchardAlpacas.net](http://SuncrestOrchardAlpacas.net)

## ▶ Timberleaf Trailers

Suitcase busting? Then make room for more local goodies with a teardrop-shaped camper custom made just for you! These beautiful caravans are lightweight enough to be towed by almost any vehicle, but tough enough for the Colorado backcountry — not to mention a design-lover's dream. [TimberLeafTrailers.com](http://TimberLeafTrailers.com)



## Seek Outside

While you can't enjoy Grand Junction's epic adventures everywhere, you can stay comfortable on any expedition. Stock up on backpacks, all season tents, and ultralight weight stoves to make even the coldest of nights warm and toasty. [SeekOutside.com](http://SeekOutside.com)

Discover more at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Locally-Grown](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Locally-Grown).

# MEET AN AWARD-WINNING GRAND JUNCTION CHEF

Theo Otte is the executive chef behind Grand Junction's critically acclaimed grand eatery 626 on Rood — named a Good Food 100 Restaurant for its commitment to sustainability and supporting local food systems. Here, Chef Theo shares insight into the ethos behind his restaurant, his passion for cooking and what he loves most about Grand Junction.

## Why did you decide to live and open your restaurant in Grand Junction?

My wife and business partner, Brenda, is originally from Grand Junction. When she decided she wanted to move back, I followed her and immediately fell in love with the area. Standing in the valley surrounded by the Grand Mesa, the Book Cliffs and Colorado National Monument, we knew this was where we wanted to be.

## Why is sourcing food locally important to you?

For us, sourcing everything we can locally is about being the best we can be for our community. We want to know where our ingredients come from, and that the people growing our food care as much about it as we do. We love getting to know the area's farmers and ranchers. By supporting the hard work and dedication they put into their farms, including produce and livestock, it provides greater meaning toward the service we provide here. To us, that's really special.

## What's your favorite season for fresh produce in the Grand Junction area?

I love the last two weeks of August. With a little help from Mother Nature, everything is at its peak during those last two weeks. Also, I love Palisade peaches, and that's the time of the season when they are the juiciest. They have the perfect amount of time to develop sugar, providing for the sweetest peaches around, and that's what they are known for.

## 626 on Rood has a notable wine collection. Where does that love of wine come from?

It all comes back to food. Sure, we have a few wines just for sitting on the porch and sipping, but whenever I taste wine, I'm always thinking about the food. What's on the menu that this wine would pair well with? Will this help bring out the flavor or is it overwhelming? Food and wine were made to go together. The perfect glass paired with the right entree will elevate both to new levels of character.

## What about your passion for cooking, where does that come from?

I grew up on the east coast in a large Italian family. Big family meals were a part of growing up, and we were always using old family recipes. Cooking and food were important to us. I grew up learning to appreciate and eventually love the art of it.

## What are your favorite things to do in Grand Junction in your spare time?

We love to be outside and enjoy the natural beauty of our home. There are endless trails that we hike on with our dog, and we enjoy spending time at many of the parks along the Colorado River. We've never been anywhere else that has such easy access to so much recreation and a wide variety of activities.

Learn more about Theo at [626onRood.com](http://626onRood.com) and discover Grand Junction's culinary scene at [VisitGrandJunction.com/Dining](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Dining).

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# What's HAPPENING

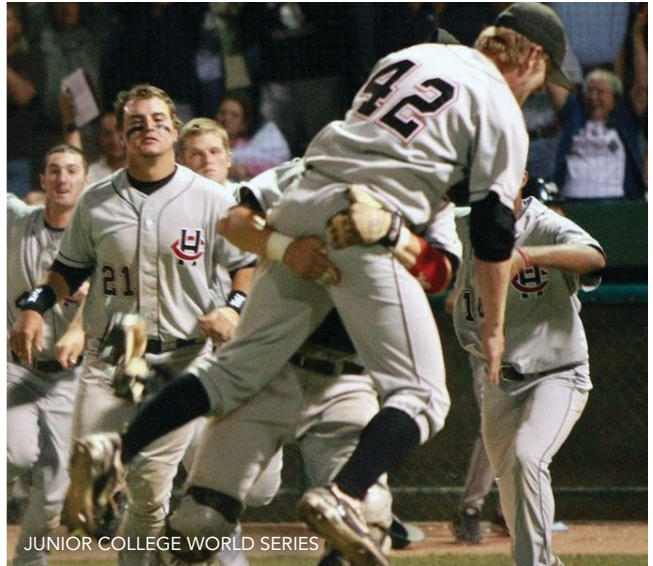
Grand Junction has a robust calendar packed with unique festivals and popular events. For additional event dates and details, go to [VisitGrandJunction.com/Events](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Events).

## WINTER

- ▶ Parade of Lights
- ▶ Grand Mesa Summit Challenge Sled Dog Race
- ▶ Banff Mountain Film Festival At The Avalon Theatre



GRAND MESA SUMMIT CHALLENGE SLED DOG RACE



JUNIOR COLLEGE WORLD SERIES

## SPRING

- ▶ Desert R.A.T.S. Trail Running Festival
  - ▶ Taste Of The Grand Valley
- ▶ Grand Junction Restaurant Week
- ▶ Grand Junction Renaissance Faire
  - ▶ Southwest Arbor Fest
- ▶ Grand Valley Marathon, Half Marathon, 10K & 5K
  - ▶ Grand Junction Rides & Vibes
- ▶ Junior College (JUCO) Baseball World Series
- ▶ Grand Enduro Mountain Bike Race
- ▶ Grand Valley Highland Games
- ▶ Wüffstock Dog & Music Festival



# SUMMER

- ▶ Colorado Special Olympics Summer Games
  - ▶ Country Jam Music Festival
  - ▶ Mike The Headless Chicken Festival & 5k
  - ▶ Palisade Bluegrass & Roots Music Festival
- ▶ Downtown Market on Main, Thursday Evenings
  - ▶ Colorado Lavender Festival
  - ▶ Independence Day Parade & Fireworks
    - ▶ Mesa County Fair
    - ▶ Palisade Peach Festival

## Become A Grand Junction Photographer

This guide features the stories and photos of locals and visitors alike who love exploring Grand Junction. They hike area trails, visit local shops and dine at local restaurants. No one knows the area like they do. Want to see your photos in the next edition of the Grand Junction Visitor Guide? Follow Visit Grand Junction on Facebook, Instagram and TikTok and use **#ShareGJ** and **#VisitGrandJunction** when you post!



COLORADO MOUNTAIN WINEFEST

# FALL

- ▶ Grand Junction Wine Week & Colorado Mountain Winefest
- ▶ Tour De Vineyards Bicycle Tour
  - ▶ Downtown Car Show
- ▶ Tour of the Moon Cycling Classic
  - ▶ Downtown Art Festival
  - ▶ Desert's Edge Triathlon
  - ▶ Oktoberfest Amped
- ▶ Trick or Treat Spooktacular
- ▶ Grand Valley Open Studio Tours
- ▶ Western Slope Cowboy Gathering
- ▶ Rim Rock Marathon & Half Marathon
  - ▶ Downtown Tree Lighting



DOWNTOWN GRAND JUNCTION FOURTH OF JULY PARADE

# LODGING

## Hotels & Motels

Over 3,200 lodging rooms are available in Grand Junction. To view a full list of amenities go to [VisitGrandJunction.com/Hotels-Lodging](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Hotels-Lodging).

	# OF ROOMS (INCLUDING SUITES)	CONFERENCE SPACE sf	INDOOR POOL	OUTDOOR POOL	HOT TUB	RESTAURANT	LOUNGE	PETS ALLOWED	RATES (\$)
<b>CANDLEWOOD SUITES</b> 654 Market St., Grand Junction • 970-255-8093, 877-226-3539 <a href="http://candlewoodsuites.com/gdjunctionco">candlewoodsuites.com/gdjunctionco</a>	97							•	\$99–159
<b>CLARION INN</b> 755 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-243-6790, 888-489-9796 <a href="http://choicehotels.com/hotel/co240">choicehotels.com/hotel/co240</a>	143	4,000	•	•	•	•	•	•	\$69–135
<b>COLUMBINE MOTEL</b> 2824 North Ave., Grand Junction • 970-241-2908 • <a href="http://columbinemotel.com">columbinemotel.com</a>	15							•	\$50-70
<b>COMFORT INN</b> 750 3/4 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-245-3335, 800-228-5150 <a href="http://choicehotels.com/colorado/grand-junction/comfort-inn-hotels/co712">choicehotels.com/colorado/grand-junction/comfort-inn-hotels/co712</a>	57		•		•		•	•	\$79-109
<b>COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT GRAND JUNCTION</b> 765 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-263-4414, 800-935-4176 • <a href="http://marriott.com/gjtcy">marriott.com/gjtcy</a>	136	4,984	•			•	•		\$89–209
<b>DAYS INN GRAND JUNCTION</b> 708 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-243-4150 <a href="http://wyndhamhotels.com/days-inn/grand-junction-colorado/days-inn-grand-junction/overview">wyndhamhotels.com/days-inn/grand-junction-colorado/days-inn-grand-junction/overview</a>	80			•	•			•	\$57-100
<b>DOUBLETREE BY HILTON</b> 743 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-241-8888, 800-618-0421 <a href="http://grandjunction.doubletree.com">grandjunction.doubletree.com</a>	273	12,000		•	•	•	•	•	\$109–249
<b>ECONO LODGE</b> 751 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-257-1140, 800-424-6423 <a href="http://choicehotels.com/colorado/grand-junction/econo-lodge-hotels/co287?source=lb">choicehotels.com/colorado/grand-junction/econo-lodge-hotels/co287?source=lb</a>	48							•	\$46–91
<b>FIRST INTERSTATE INN</b> 721 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-243-6050	50			•				•	\$50–130
<b>FRONTIER MOTOR LODGE</b> 1940 North Ave., Grand Junction • 970-241-6624	22								\$50-85
<b>GRAND JUNCTION PALOMINO INN</b> 2400 North Ave., Grand Junction • 970-242-1826	20			•					\$50-100
<b>GRAND VISTA HOTEL</b> 2790 Crossroads Blvd., Grand Junction • 970-241-8411, 800-800-7796 • <a href="http://grandvistahotel.com">grandvistahotel.com</a>	178	2,276	•		•	•	•	•	\$49–159
<b>HAMPTON INN DOWNTOWN</b> 205 Main St., Grand Junction • 970-243-3222 • <a href="http://grandjunction.hamptoninn.com">grandjunction.hamptoninn.com</a>	80	1,064		•				•	\$96–279
<b>HOLIDAY INN &amp; SUITES-GRAND JUNCTION AIRPORT</b> 2751 Crossroads Blvd., Grand Junction • 970-628-4346, 800-315-2621 <a href="http://holidayinn.com/grandjunctaprt">holidayinn.com/grandjunctaprt</a>	119	2,099	•		•	•	•	•	\$89-199
<b>HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS &amp; SUITES</b> 625 Rae Lynn St., Grand Junction • 970-245-8164, 866-245-9940 • <a href="http://hiexpress.com/grandjct">hiexpress.com/grandjct</a>	112		•		•				\$99–350
<b>HOME2 SUITES BY HILTON</b> 650 Market St., Grand Junction • 970-242-3330 <a href="http://hilton.com/en/hotels/gjtsbht-home2-suites-grand-junction-northwest/">hilton.com/en/hotels/gjtsbht-home2-suites-grand-junction-northwest/</a>	91		•		•			•	\$89-299
<b>HORIZON INN</b> 754 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-245-1410	97							•	\$45–109
<b>HOTEL MAVERICK</b> 840 Kennedy Ave., Grand Junction • 970-822-4888 • <a href="http://thehotelmaverick.com">thehotelmaverick.com</a>	60	800			•	•	•	•	\$139-299
<b>LA QUINTA INN &amp; SUITES</b> 2761 Crossroads Blvd., Grand Junction • 970-241-2929, 800-753-3757 • <a href="http://lq.com">lq.com</a>	108			•	•			•	\$80–180
<b>MARRIOTT-DOWNTOWN FAIRFIELD INN &amp; SUITES</b> 225 Main St., Grand Junction • 970-242-2525 • <a href="http://marriott.com/gjtfti">marriott.com/gjtfti</a>	80	825	•		•			•	\$94–279
<b>MARRIOTT-DOWNTOWN SPRINGHILL SUITES</b> 236 Main St., Grand Junction • 970-424-5777 • <a href="http://marriott.com/gjtsh">marriott.com/gjtsh</a>	100	1,900	•		•		•	•	\$96–299

## Hotels & Motels

	# OF ROOMS (INCLUDING SUITES)	CONFERENCE SPACE sf	INDOOR POOL	OUTDOOR POOL	HOT TUB	RESTAURANT	LOUNGE	PETS ALLOWED	RATES (\$)
<b>MOTEL 6</b> 776 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-243-2628, 800-466-8356 • <a href="http://motel6.com">motel6.com</a>	100			•				•	\$35–199
<b>QUALITY INN</b> 733 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-245-7200, 800-790-2661 <a href="http://qualityinngrandjunction.com">qualityinngrandjunction.com</a>	107	625		•		•		•	\$70–95
<b>RAMADA INN</b> 752 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-243-5150, 800-272-6232 <a href="http://wyndhamhotels.com/ramada/grand-junction-colorado/ramada-inn-grand-junction/overview">wyndhamhotels.com/ramada/grand-junction-colorado/ramada-inn-grand-junction/overview</a>	100			•				•	60-160
<b>RED ROOF INN</b> 2210 Hwy. 6 and 50, Grand Junction • 970-241-3020 <a href="http://redroof.com/experience/co/grand-junction">redroof.com/experience/co/grand-junction</a>	100	850				•	•	•	\$51–81
<b>RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT</b> 767 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-263-4004, 800-936-1903 • <a href="http://marriott.com/gjtri">marriott.com/gjtri</a>	104	1,000	•		•			•	\$109–179
<b>STUDIO 6 GRAND JUNCTION</b> 704 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-245-3080 <a href="https://www.motel6.com/en/home/motels.co.grand-junction.5224.html">https://www.motel6.com/en/home/motels.co.grand-junction.5224.html</a>	121			•				•	\$35–110
<b>SUPER 8 - GRAND JUNCTION</b> 728 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-248-8080, 800-800-8000 <a href="http://wyndhamhotels.com/super-8/grand-junction-colorado/super-8-grand-junction-colorado/overview">wyndhamhotels.com/super-8/grand-junction-colorado/super-8-grand-junction-colorado/overview</a>	130			•				•	\$55–110
<b>TIMBERS MOTEL</b> 1810 North Ave., Grand Junction • 970-245-7275	30					•			\$55
<b>TRAVELODGE</b> 718 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-243-5080 • <a href="http://travelodgegrandjunction.com">travelodgegrandjunction.com</a>	140			•		•	•	•	\$44–159
<b>TRU BY HILTON</b> 243 Colorado Ave., Grand Junction • 970-256-1000 <a href="http://hilton.com/en/hotels/gjtruru-tru-grand-junction-downtown">hilton.com/en/hotels/gjtruru-tru-grand-junction-downtown</a>	92						•	•	\$96–299
<b>WOODSPRING SUITES</b> 659 Market St., Grand Junction • 970-644-5902 • <a href="http://woodspring.com">woodspring.com</a>	124							•	\$59-179

## Bed & Breakfasts

	# OF ROOMS	PRIVATE BATHS	BREAKFAST	CONFERENCE SPACE sf	PETS ALLOWED	FIREPLACE	COMMON ROOM	RATES (\$)
<b>CASTLE CREEK MANOR</b> 638 Horizon Dr., Grand Junction • 970-241-9105 • <a href="http://castlecreekmanor.com">castlecreekmanor.com</a>	5	•	•	800		•	•	\$99–165
<b>CHATEAU AT TWO RIVERS WINERY</b> 2087 Broadway, Grand Junction • 970-241-3155, 866-312-9463 • <a href="http://tworiverswinery.com">tworiverswinery.com</a>	10	•	•	3,100	•	•	•	\$102–155
<b>WILLOW POND</b> 662 26 Rd., Grand Junction • 970-243-4958 • <a href="http://willowpondbnb.com">willowpondbnb.com</a>	4	•	•				•	\$99–175

\*Check individual locations for availability

## Private Vacation Homes

There are more than 250 private vacation home rentals in the Grand Junction area. Go to [VisitGrandJunction.com/VacationHomes](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/VacationHomes).

## RV Parks & Campgrounds

	NUMBER OF SITES	NUMBER OF FULL HOOKUP SITES	NUMBER OF PULL-THRU SPACES	ELECTRIC 30 AMP	ELECTRIC 50 AMP	GAS	LAUNDRY	SHOWERS	DUMP STATIONS	TENT SITES	RATES (\$)
<b>THE CAMP</b> 171 Dike Rd., Grand Junction • 970-549-0849 • <a href="http://thecampgj.com">thecampgj.com</a>	50									•	\$30
<b>CANYON VIEW RV RESORT</b> 746 23 1/2 Road, Grand Junction • 970-730-2600 • <a href="http://canyonviewrvresort.com">canyonviewrvresort.com</a>	160	160	25	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	50–60
<b>GRAND JUNCTION KOA</b> 2819 Hwy. 50, Grand Junction • 970-242-2527, 800-562-1510 <a href="http://koa.com/campgrounds/grand-junction">koa.com/campgrounds/grand-junction</a>	82	59	43	•	•		•	•	•	•	65–155
<b>JUNCTION WEST RV PARK</b> 793 22 Rd., Grand Junction • 970-245-8531 • <a href="http://junctionwestrvpark.com">junctionwestrvpark.com</a>	75	65	57	•	•		•	•	•	•	36–53
<b>MOBILE CITY RV PARK</b> 2322 Hwy. 6 & 50, Grand Junction • 970-242-9291 • <a href="http://mobilecityrv.com">mobilecityrv.com</a>	44	44	14	•	•	•	•	•	•		25–36

\*Check individual locations for availability

## ATTRACTIONS, ACTIVITIES & SERVICES

To view a full list, go to [VisitGrandJunction.com/Attractions](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Attractions).

### AIRLINES & AIRPORTS

**GRAND JUNCTION REGIONAL AIRPORT**  
2828 Walker Field Dr., Ste 301, Grand Junction  
970-244-9100 • [gjairport.com](http://gjairport.com)  
Horizon Dr., 1 mile north of I-70; airport code: GJT.

**ALLEGIAN AIR**  
2828 Walker Field Dr., Grand Junction  
702-505-8888 • [allegiantair.com](http://allegiantair.com)  
To Las Vegas (LAS) and Phoenix-Mesa Gateway (AZA) year-round and Los Angeles (LAX) April–Aug.

**AMERICAN AIRLINES/AMERICAN EAGLE**  
2828 Walker Field Dr., Grand Junction  
800-433-7300 • [aa.com](http://aa.com)  
Daily service to Dallas/Fort Worth (DFW), Phoenix (PHX) and Los Angeles (LAX).

**FRONTIER AIRLINES**  
2828 Walker Field Dr., Grand Junction  
801-401-9000 • [flyfrontier.com](http://flyfrontier.com)  
Seasonal service.

**UNITED AIRLINES/UNITED EXPRESS**  
2828 Walker Field Dr., Grand Junction  
800-864-8331 • [united.com](http://united.com)  
Seasonal service to Denver (DEN) & Chicago (ORD).

### ART, CULTURE & MUSEUMS

**ANGELO'S POTTERY STUDIO**  
2478 Patterson Rd. #11, Grand Junction  
970-243-0886 • [gjangelos.com](http://gjangelos.com)  
Paint or throw your own pottery.

**ART CENTER - WESTERN COLORADO CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
1803 N. 7th St., Grand Junction  
970-243-7337 • [gjartcenter.org](http://gjartcenter.org)  
A community arts organization dedicated to improving quality of life by promoting the enjoyment and understanding of the arts.

**ART ON THE CORNER**  
437 Colorado Ave., Grand Junction  
970-245-9697 • [downtowngj.org/aotc](http://downtowngj.org/aotc)  
Over 100 outdoor sculptures placed in the downtown area.

**AVALON THEATRE**  
645 Main St., Grand Junction  
970-263-5700 • [avalontheatre.gj.com](http://avalontheatre.gj.com)  
Concerts, live theater, movies, special events, lectures all in a recently renovated historic theater.

**CANDLE KITCHEN GJ**  
120 N. 5th St., Grand Junction  
970-312-6960 • [candlekitchengj.com](http://candlekitchengj.com)  
Create-your-own from 120 custom scents.

**COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY**  
1100 North Ave., Grand Junction  
970-248-1020, 800-982-6372  
[coloradomesa.edu](http://coloradomesa.edu)  
Concerts, theater performances, fine arts exhibits, dance concerts, lecture series and more.

**COMMEMORATIVE AIR FORCE MUSEUM (ROCKY MOUNTAIN WING)**  
780 Heritage Way, Grand Junction  
970-256-0693 • [rockymountainwingcaf.org](http://rockymountainwingcaf.org)  
Historical displays; memorabilia, aviation art; Saturday only or by appt. 970-424-3575.

**CONFLUENCE STUDIOS**  
634 Main St. #6, Grand Junction  
970-314-2584 • [imconfluencestudios.com](http://imconfluencestudios.com)  
Community art space with classes, programs and gallery space.

**CROSS ORCHARDS HISTORIC SITE**  
3073 F (Patterson) Rd., Grand Junction  
970-434-9814, 888-488-3466  
[museumofwesternco.com](http://museumofwesternco.com)  
Exhibits, historic orchards and farm buildings, museum exhibits, historic train rolling stock.

**DINOSAUR JOURNEY MUSEUM**  
550 Jurassic Ct., Fruita  
970-858-7282, 888-488-3466  
[dinosaurjourney.org](http://dinosaurjourney.org)  
Dinosaur museum, permanent and traveling exhibits, interactive exhibits, dino dig program.

**FAT CAT POTTERY**  
634 Main St. #101, Grand Junction  
970-549-1095 • [fatcatpotterygj.com](http://fatcatpotterygj.com)  
Studio offering workshops, painting, and classes.

**FUNKY JUNK DIY STUDIO**  
205 Colorado Ave., Grand Junction  
970-644-5168 • [funkyjunkgj.com](http://funkyjunkgj.com)  
Pinnerholics rejoice! Supplies & expertise provided.

**GATEWAY CANYONS AUTO MUSEUM**  
43224 Hwy. 141, Gateway  
970-931-2895 • [gatewayautomuseum.com](http://gatewayautomuseum.com)  
Sixty vehicles covering 100 years of American automotive history.

**GRAND JUNCTION SYMPHONY**  
414 Main St., Grand Junction  
970-243-6787 • [gjsso.org](http://gjsso.org)  
Professional community orchestra; nonprofit performing arts organization.

**HIGH DESERT OPERA**  
Grand Junction  
970-523-9605 • [highdesertopera.org](http://highdesertopera.org)  
Galas to full-scale operas; producing two events per year — summer and winter.

**MUSEUM OF THE WEST**  
462 Ute Ave., Grand Junction  
970-242-0971, 888-488-3466  
[museumofwesternco.com](http://museumofwesternco.com)  
Regional history, research library, permanent and touring exhibits.

**WESTERN COLORADO BOTANICAL GARDENS**  
655 Struthers Ave. (Riverside Pkwy. at 7th), Grand Junction • 970-245-9030 • [wcbotanic.org](http://wcbotanic.org)  
Butterfly house, outdoor gardens, summer concerts, children's castle, museum and gift shop.

### BIKING, HIKING & CAMPING ON PUBLIC LANDS

**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT - GRAND JUNCTION**  
2815 H Rd., Grand Junction  
970-244-3000  
[blm.gov/office/grand-junction-field-office](http://blm.gov/office/grand-junction-field-office)  
Hiking, mountain biking, OHV trails and open riding areas, horseback riding, river float activities, primitive camping, 100 campsites.

**COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT**  
Colorado National Monument, 1750 Rim Rock Dr., Fruita • 970-858-3617 • [nps.gov/colm](http://nps.gov/colm)  
Year-round recreation, hiking trails, road biking, scenic vistas, campground. Camping reservations are accepted for March–Oct. at recreation.gov.

**COLORADO RIVERFRONT TRAIL SYSTEM**

544 Rood Ave., Room 214, Grand Junction  
970-683-4333 • [oneriverfront.org](http://oneriverfront.org)  
Recreational paved trails for walking, biking and rollerblading along the Colorado River.

**COLORADO STATE PARKS**

361 32 Rd., Grand Junction  
970-434-3388, 800-678-2267 • [cpw.state.co.us](http://cpw.state.co.us)  
Four parks, over 275 campsites, fishing, hunting, biking, bird watching, walking paths, hiking, boating, swimming.

**GRAND MESA NATIONAL FOREST**

2777 Crossroads Blvd., Unit 1, Grand Junction  
970-242-8211 • [fs.usda.gov/gmug](http://fs.usda.gov/gmug)  
Hiking, biking, fishing, ATV trails, over 300 lakes, 11 campgrounds, four forest service cabin rentals, visitor center, hunting.

**UNCOMPAHGRE NATIONAL FOREST**

2777 Crossroads Blvd., Unit 1, Grand Junction  
970-242-8211 • [fs.usda.gov/gmug](http://fs.usda.gov/gmug)  
Tabeguache Trail, hiking, biking, fishing, ATV trails, two campgrounds, two forest service cabin rentals, visitor center, hunting.

**BREWERIES, DISTILLERIES & CIDERIES**

**13 BRIX CIDER BISTRO**

130 W. Third St., Palisade  
970-464-2073 • [13brixciderbistro.com](http://13brixciderbistro.com)

**COPPER CLUB BREWING CO.**

153 N. Mulberry St., Fruita  
970-858-8318 • [copperclubbrew.com](http://copperclubbrew.com)

**EDGEWATER BREWERY**

905 Struthers Ave., Grand Junction  
970-243-3659 • [kannahcreekbrewingco.com/edgewater](http://kannahcreekbrewingco.com/edgewater)

**FOAM & FOLLY**

330 S. 2nd St., Grand Junction  
970-424-5124 • [foamandfolly.com](http://foamandfolly.com)

**GEMINI BEER COMPANY**

640 White Ave., Grand Junction  
970-424-0004 • [geminibeer.com](http://geminibeer.com)

**HIGHLANDS CRAFT DISTILLERY**

782 24 Rd., Grand Junction  
970-462-7293 • [coloradohighlandsdistillery.com](http://coloradohighlandsdistillery.com)

**KANNAH CREEK BREWING CO.**

1960 N. 12th St., Grand Junction  
970-263-0111 • [kannahcreekbrewingco.com](http://kannahcreekbrewingco.com)

**MONUMENTAL BEER WORKS**

2575 Hwy. 6 & 50, Unit C, Grand Junction  
970-462-7411 • [monumentalbeerworks.com](http://monumentalbeerworks.com)

**PALISADE BREWING CO.**

200 Peach Ave., Palisade  
970-464-1462 • [palisadebrewingcompany.com](http://palisadebrewingcompany.com)

**PEACH STREET DISTILLERS**

144 S. Kluge Ave., Palisade  
970-464-1128 • [peachstreetdistillers.com](http://peachstreetdistillers.com)

**RAMBLEBINE BREWING COMPANY**

457 Colorado Ave., Grand Junction  
970-644-5273 • [ramblebinebrewing.com](http://ramblebinebrewing.com)

**ROCKSLIDE RESTAURANT & BREWERY**

401 Main St., Grand Junction  
970-245-2111 • [rockslidebrewpub.com](http://rockslidebrewpub.com)

**SUDS BROTHERS BREWERY II**

127 E. Aspen Ave., Fruita  
970-858-9400 • [sudsbrothers2fruita.com](http://sudsbrothers2fruita.com)

**TALBOTT'S CIDER COMPANY**

3801 F 1/4 Rd., Palisade  
970-464-5943 • [talbottciderco.com](http://talbottciderco.com)

**TRAIL LIFE BREWING**

436 Main St., Grand Junction  
[traillifebrewing.com](http://traillifebrewing.com)

**CAR & RV RENTALS**

**ACTION RENT-A-CAR**

2599 Hwy. 6 & 50, Grand Junction  
970-245-4598  
New and used cars, trucks vans and SUV rentals. Pick up and drop off as needed. Locally owned and serving western Colorado for 18 years.

**ADVENTURE WEST RV RENTALS & MORE**

2456 1/2 Hwy. 6 & 50, Grand Junction  
970-241-2702 • [adventurewestrv.com](http://adventurewestrv.com)

**ALAMO RENT-A-CAR**

Grand Junction Regional Airport  
970-254-1700, 800-462-5266 • [alamo.com](http://alamo.com)

**AVIS RENT-A-CAR**

2454 Hwy. 6 & 50 #108  
970-241-5092 • [avis.com](http://avis.com)

**AVIS RENT-A-CAR**

Grand Junction Regional Airport  
970-244-9170 • [avis.com](http://avis.com)

**BUDGET RENT-A-CAR**

2454 Hwy. 6 & 50 #108  
970-243-7894 • [budget.com](http://budget.com)

**BUDGET RENT-A-CAR**

Grand Junction Regional Airport  
970-243-3851 • [budget.com](http://budget.com)

**DOLLAR RENT-A-CAR**

Grand Junction Regional Airport  
970-243-0747 • [dollar.com](http://dollar.com)

**ENTERPRISE RENT-A-CAR**

406 S. Fifth St.  
970-242-8103

**ENTERPRISE RENT-A-CAR**

Grand Junction Regional Airport  
970-254-1700 • [enterprise.com](http://enterprise.com)

**HERTZ RENT-A-CAR**

Grand Junction Regional Airport, #A  
970-243-0747 • [hertz.com](http://hertz.com)

**NATIONAL CAR RENTAL**

Grand Junction Regional Airport  
970-254-1700 • [nationalcar.com](http://nationalcar.com)

**FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

**AXEOLOGY**

2487 Industrial Blvd Unit 6, Grand Junction  
970-812-5445 • [throwaxecology.com](http://throwaxecology.com)  
Indoor recreational axe-throwing range with an arcade and tumbling mat. Fun for all ages. Axe throwing options for children 11 and up. Snacks and sodas are available or bring your own.

**BANANAS FUN PARK**

2469 Riverside Pkwy., Grand Junction  
970-241-7529 • [bananasfunpark.com](http://bananasfunpark.com)  
Mini golf, arcade, bumper boats, go-carts, laser tag and maze, bump-n-jump playland.

**BOLTON'S ORCHARDS & FARM MARKET**

2257 L Rd., Grand Junction  
970-241-9398  
Pick your own produce.

**ENSTROM CANDIES**

701 Colorado Ave., Grand Junction  
970-242-1655, 800-367-8766 • [enstrom.com](http://enstrom.com)  
Retail store features a full-service coffee shop, espresso bar and homemade gourmet ice cream. On most weekdays, you can watch the candy being made.

**THE ESCAPE HOUSE**

605 Grand Ave., Grand Junction  
970-985-4080 • [theescapehousegi.com](http://theescapehousegi.com)  
The concept is simple: You and your team will be locked in a room where you have 60 minutes to find clues, solve puzzles and escape the room before your time is up.

**EUREKA! MCCONNELL SCIENCE MUSEUM**

1400 N. 7th St., Grand Junction  
970-254-1626 • [eurekasciencemuseum.org](http://eurekasciencemuseum.org)  
Explore math and science through hands-on displays.

**FREEWAY BOWL**

1900 E. Main St., Grand Junction  
970-245-3035 • [freewaybowl.com](http://freewaybowl.com)  
Full service bowling center with 38 lanes, an arcade, billiards, café, lounge and a pro shop.

**FRUIT BASKET ORCHARDS**

253 32 1/2 Rd., Grand Junction  
970-434-3063  
Pick your own produce.

**GET AIR AT THE SILO - TRAMPOLINE PARK**

715 S. 7th St., Grand Junction  
970-361-3630 • [getairsilo.com](http://getairsilo.com)  
Get Air at the Silo has trampolines, foam pits, ninja courses and party areas. Fun for all ages!

**GRAND JUNCTION MOTOR SPEEDWAY**

3002 N. I-70 Frontage Rd., Grand Junction  
970-256-0107  
[grandjunctionmotorspeedway.com](http://grandjunctionmotorspeedway.com)  
Kart-racing facility, rentals, instruction, scheduled events.

**GRAND VALLEY BMX**

2785 US Hwy. 50, Grand Junction  
970-812-3394 • [grandvalleybmx.com](http://grandvalleybmx.com)  
Bicycle motocross racing, open to all ages, year-round; 30-foot Olympic starting hill.

**GRAND VALLEY CLIMBING**

611 25 Rd., Grand Junction  
970-270-2022 • [grandvalleyclimbing.com](http://grandvalleyclimbing.com)  
Indoor climbing, fitness, yoga, groups, events, retail.

**IMONDI WAKE ZONE, LLC**

1583 Cipolla Rd., Fruita  
970-639-0327 • [wakeboardcolorado.com](http://wakeboardcolorado.com)  
The only full-sized wakeboard cable park between Sacramento and Kansas City, no boat required! Imondi is a great family outing and offers lessons and rental equipment.

**KODIAXE**

115 W. Grand Ave Unit A, Grand Junction  
970-628-4454 • [kodiaxe.com](http://kodiaxe.com)  
Much like darts, but only bigger at this indoor axe-throwing, and family-friendly venue where kids 10 and up can wield an axe with adult supervision. Snacks and sodas are available.

**MOON FARM**

1360 18 1/2 Rd., Fruita  
970-812-6703 • [moonfarm.net](http://moonfarm.net)  
Petting zoo, special collections, cultural displays, pumpkin patch.

**ORCHARD MESA LANES**

295 27 Rd., Grand Junction  
970-242-9297 • [orchardmesalanes.com](http://orchardmesalanes.com)  
Bowling center with a full service bar, cafe and game room.

**PALISADE PEACH SHACK**

451 Wine Valley Rd., Palisade  
970-464-2091 • [palisadepeachshack.com](http://palisadepeachshack.com)  
Pick your own produce.

**POWDERHORN MOUNTAIN RESORT**

48338 Powderhorn Rd., Mesa  
 970-268-5700 • [powderhorn.com](http://powderhorn.com)  
 New downhill bike park, skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, weddings, meetings, banquets, music, fun for the entire family.

**RIVER CITY SPORTPLEX**

2515 Riverside Pkwy., Grand Junction  
 970-242-7465 • [rivercitysportplex.com](http://rivercitysportplex.com)  
 All ice sports, including hockey/public skating, birthdays, private events.

**SEASONS TO FOLLOW**

612 Main St., Grand Junction  
 970-424-5110 • [seasons2follow.com](http://seasons2follow.com)

**SOLVE IT ESCAPE GAMES**

801 N.1st St., Grand Junction  
 970-628-0612 • [solveitescapergames.com](http://solveitescapergames.com)  
 You and your group you have 60 minutes to solve all of the puzzles using clues you find in the room and "escape" before time expires.

**SUNCREST ORCHARD ALPACAS AND FIBER WORKS**

3608 E. 1/4 Rd., Palisade  
 970-464-4862 • [suncrestorchardalpacas.net](http://suncrestorchardalpacas.net)  
 Tours of alpaca farm and fiber mill, gift shop (Mon-Sat, Sun by appt.).

**VISTA ORCHARD**

688 38 3/4 Rd., Palisade  
 970-464-9108  
 Family-owned orchard with peaches and nectarines.

**VOLLEYS**

1130 N. 3rd St., Grand Junction  
 970-255-6666 • [volleysgj.com](http://volleysgj.com)  
 Outdoor sand volleyball, bar and grill, league, open play, yard games.

**WESTERN COLORADO DRAGWAY**

3235 Whitewater Hill Rd., Grand Junction  
 970-243-9022 • [wcdra.com](http://wcdra.com)  
 NHRA-sanctioned drag racing; fun for the whole family; race cars; go to the pits; concessions on site.

**X-GOLF GRAND JUNCTION**

2482 Patterson Rd., Unit 2, Grand Junction  
 970-644-5251 • [xgolfgrandjunction.com](http://xgolfgrandjunction.com)  
 Colorado's finest indoor golf and entertainment venue. Four state-of-the-art golf simulators, coaches, beer and wine.

**GOLF**

**ADOBE CREEK NATIONAL GOLF COURSE**

876 18 1/2 Rd., Fruita  
 970-858-0521 • [adobecreekgolf.com](http://adobecreekgolf.com)  
 27 holes, par 36/37/36.

**CHIPETA GOLF COURSE**

222 29 Rd., Grand Junction  
 970-245-7177 • [chipetagolf.com](http://chipetagolf.com)  
 18 holes, par 59.

**GOLF CLUB AT REDLANDS MESA**

2325 W. Ridges Blvd., Grand Junction  
 970-263-9270 • [redlandsmesa.com](http://redlandsmesa.com)  
 Located at the base of the towering pink and red sandstone faces of the Colorado National Monument. Ranked #1 Public Golf Course in Colorado by *Golfweek*.

**LINCOLN PARK GOLF COURSE**

800 Mantlo Cir., Grand Junction  
 970-242-6394 • [golfgrandjunction.net](http://golfgrandjunction.net)  
 Historical 9-hole course layout in the heart of Grand Junction, featuring a fun, fast, affordable and convenient course for golfers of all abilities.

**TIARA RADO GOLF COURSE**

2057 S. Broadway, Grand Junction  
 970-254-3830 • [golfgrandjunction.net/tiara-rado](http://golfgrandjunction.net/tiara-rado)  
 Tiara Rado Golf Course is a scenic, 18-hole, public course located at the base of the Colorado National Monument. A fun and playable course for all levels.

**X-GOLF GRAND JUNCTION**

2482 Patterson Rd., Unit 2, Grand Junction  
 970-644-5251 • [xgolfgrandjunction.com](http://xgolfgrandjunction.com)  
 Colorado's finest indoor golf and entertainment venue. Four state-of-the-art golf simulators, coaches, beer and wine.

**GUIDED TOURS & EQUIPMENT RENTALS**

**A TOUCH WITH CLASS**

2258 Kingston Rd., Grand Junction  
 970-245-5466 • [colorado-limo.com](http://colorado-limo.com)  
 Limousine or coach winery and holiday lights tours, as well as other tours of the area.

**ABSOLUTE PRESTIGE LIMOUSINE**

1351 Q Rd., Loma  
 970-858-8500, 888-858-3904 • [aplimo.com](http://aplimo.com)  
 Transportation and tours; stretch limousines, SUVs, shuttle and limo buses, vans, Absolute Prestige ranch event and wedding venue, and horse-drawn carriage services. Offering wine tours and more.

**BILL BURKE'S 4-WHEELING AMERICA LLC**

970-858-3468 • [bb4wa.com](http://bb4wa.com)  
 Four-wheel drive (not ATV) safety education and guided backcountry trips.

**CAMEO SHOOTING & EDUCATION COMPLEX**

I-70 to Exit 45, Cameo  
 970-464-1339 • [cpw.state.co.us/cameo](http://cpw.state.co.us/cameo)  
 Educational and training facility for firearms and archery.

**CENTENNIAL CANOE OUTFITTERS**

255 E. 2nd St., Palisade  
 720-283-0553 • [centennialcanoe.com](http://centennialcanoe.com)  
 Outfitted and guided boat trip adventures.

**COLORADO BACKCOUNTRY BIKER**

150 S. Park Sq., Fruita  
 970-858-9005 • [coloradobiketrips.com](http://coloradobiketrips.com)  
 Self-guided, hut-to-hut mountain bike trips through Grand Junction's scenic backcountry. Packages include hut accommodations, food and beverage, and gear transport.

**COLORADO DISCOVER ABILITY**

601 Struthers Ave., Grand Junction  
 970-257-1222 • [cdagj.org](http://cdagj.org)  
 Adaptive outdoor recreation experiences for people with disabilities.

**DESERT RAT TOURS - BIKE GUIDE & TOURS**

970-364-3842 • [desertrattours.com](http://desertrattours.com)  
 Guided cycling tours.

**DINOSAUR JOURNEY MUSEUM**

550 Jurassic Ct., Fruita  
 970-858-7282 • [dinosaurjourney.org](http://dinosaurjourney.org)  
 Dinosaur museum, permanent and traveling exhibits, interactive exhibits, dino dig program.

**GATEWAY CANYONS ADVENTURES**

43200 Hwy. 141, Gateway  
 970-931-2649 • [gatewaycanyons.com/adventure-center](http://gatewaycanyons.com/adventure-center)  
 Horseback riding, hiking, ATV, jeep tours, fishing, rock climbing.

**GATEWAY CANYONS AIR TOURS**

43200 Hwy. 141, Gateway  
 970-931-2740 • [gatewaycanyonsairtours.com](http://gatewaycanyonsairtours.com)  
 Scenic helicopter tours, aerial cinematography and VIP custom charter flights.

**GRAND JUNCTION ADVENTURES/GJ SUP**

Las Colonias Park, Grand Junction  
 970-433-4760 • [gjsup.com](http://gjsup.com)  
 Stand-up paddleboard rentals, lake lessons, guided climbing tours, bike shuttles, guided biking tours, yoga lessons and river lessons.

**GRAND JUNCTION TOURS**

2491 Fountain Greens Pl., Grand Junction,  
 970-261-8329 • [grandjunction-tours.com](http://grandjunction-tours.com)  
 Personal tours to Wine Country, Colorado National Monument, lavender farms, breweries, distilleries and more.

**GRAND VALLEY ADVENTURE TOURS & RENTALS**

2511 Weslo Ave., Grand Junction  
 970-985-5813 • [grandvalleyadventure.com](http://grandvalleyadventure.com)  
 Dirt bike and snow bike rentals and guided tours throughout the Grand Junction area.

**GRAND VALLEY RIVER EXCURSIONS**

219 Limestone Cir., Grand Junction  
 970-433-4178 • [grandvalleyriverexcursionsllc.com](http://grandvalleyriverexcursionsllc.com)  
 Year-round guided fishing tours in the Grand Junction area.

**IMONDI WAKE ZONE, LLC**

1583 Cipolla Rd., Fruita  
 970-639-0327 • [imondiwakezone.com](http://imondiwakezone.com)  
 The only full-sized wakeboard cable park between Sacramento and Kansas City, no boat required! Imondi is a great family outing and offers lessons and rental equipment.

**JET BOAT COLORADO**

2237 Roan Creek Rd., De Beque  
 970-644-1121 • [jetboatcolorado.com](http://jetboatcolorado.com)  
 The most thrilling boat tour on the Colorado River. Adventurous and scenic Jet Boat tours for the whole family; 1/2-mile north of I-70, De Beque.

**JR'S CARRIAGE SERVICE**

2125 J Rd., Grand Junction  
 719-671-7145 • [jrscarrriage.com](http://jrscarrriage.com)  
 JR's Carriage Service provides horse-drawn transportation for wine tours, sunset tours, weddings, orchard and fruit stand tours and downtown historical tours.

**KEYS GUIDE & OUTFITTING**

P.O. Box 1080, Clifton  
 970-216-7899 • [keysoutfitting.com](http://keysoutfitting.com)  
 Guides, support and logistics for backcountry hunting, fishing, rafting and hiking trips.

**PALI-TOURS**

3891 N. River Rd. Palisade  
 970-697-8134 • [pali-tours.com](http://pali-tours.com)  
 Safari-style winery and orchard tours, including customized tours.

**PALISADE PEDICAB**

970-875-7344 • [palisadepedicab.com](http://palisadepedicab.com)  
 Guided pedicab winery tours.

**PALISADE RIVER TRIPS**

239 Main St., Palisade  
 970-260-5848 • [palisaderivertrips.com](http://palisaderivertrips.com)  
 Float trips through Fruit and Wine Country; half-day, early morning; bird watching; evening cocktail floats; bachelorette parties.

**RAPID CREEK CYCLES & PADDLEBOARDS**

239 Main St., Palisade  
 970-464-9266 • [rapidcreekcycles.com](http://rapidcreekcycles.com)  
 Maps and information for self-guided winery and orchard bike tours. Palisade River Trips offers float trips on the Colorado River.

**REI**

925 Independent Ave., Grand Junction  
 970-254-8970  
[rei.com/stores/grand-junction.html](http://rei.com/stores/grand-junction.html)  
 Premier outdoor gear and sporting goods.

**RIMROCK ADVENTURES**

927 Hwy. 340, Fruita  
970-858-9555 • [rradventures.com](http://rradventures.com)  
Rimrock Adventures offers hourly horseback rides, guided float trips, whitewater trips and river equipment rentals.

**ROCKYTRAX**

2150 S. 16 1/2 Rd., Glade Park  
970-361-0402 • [rockytrax.com](http://rockytrax.com)  
RockyTrax rents dual sport dirt bikes and campers. Guided tours available.

**SPROCKETS SEGWAY GUIDED TOURS**

578 W. 1st St. Palisade  
970-270-1709 • [sprocketsgj.com](http://sprocketsgj.com)  
Guided Segway tours showcasing highlights of the area.

**SUMMIT RIDGE GUIDES, LLC**

Grand Junction  
970-216-2953 • [summitridgeguides.com](http://summitridgeguides.com)  
Guiding and instruction in rock climbing, rappelling and canyoneering. Climb a sandstone desert tower or enjoy a multi-sport adventure outing.

**WESTERN ANGLERS**

413 Main St., Grand Junction  
970-244-8658 • [westernanglers.com](http://westernanglers.com)  
Guided fishing trips; casting/tying lessons.

**WET DREAMS RIVER SUPPLY**

418 S. 7th St.  
970-640-0737 • [wdrsgj.com](http://wdrsgj.com)  
Water sport rentals.

**MOTORIZED SPORTS RENTALS**

**ADRENALINE DRIVEN ADVENTURE COMPANY**

750 1/4 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction  
970-623-3888 • [adacgj.com](http://adacgj.com)  
The most thrilling off-road experience in the Grand Junction area. Experience the adventure with Polaris adventures, RZR rentals and tours.

**COLORADO ELECTRIC BIKES**

2751 Riverside Parkway, Grand Junction  
970-242-3126 • [coloradoebikes.com](http://coloradoebikes.com)  
Largest eBike inventory in the Grand Junction area.

**EAGLERIDER MOTORCYCLE RENTALS / MOTORCYCLE ACCESSORIES**

2060 E. Main St., Grand Junction  
970-242-2260 • [motorcycleaccessoriesgj.com](http://motorcycleaccessoriesgj.com)  
Late-model Harley-Davidson and BMW motorcycle rentals.

**FUNSHARES BUGGY CENTER & RENTALS**

2583 Hwy. 6 & 50, Grand Junction  
970-241-0464 • [funshares.com](http://funshares.com)  
ATV & Buggy Rentals.

**MOTODISCOVERY**

528 23 Rd., Grand Junction  
970-819-4949 • [motodiscoveryrentals.com](http://motodiscoveryrentals.com)  
High-quality and street-legal motorcycle rentals along with gear, trailer, & GPS rentals. Provides guided tours and motorcycle off-road training.

**PERRI'S POWERSPORTS**

555 25 Rd., Grand Junction  
970-243-7730, 800-748-3955  
[perrispowersports.com](http://perrispowersports.com)  
Honda and Arctic Cat ATV and side-by-side rentals.

**ROCKYTRAX**

2150 S. 16 1/2 Rd., Glade Park  
970-361-0402 • [rockytrax.com](http://rockytrax.com)  
RockyTrax rents dual sport dirt bikes and campers. Guided tours available.

**PARKS**

**CANYON VIEW PARK**

730 24 Rd., Grand Junction  
970-254-3866 • [gjparksandrec.org](http://gjparksandrec.org)  
Premier park providing the perfect setting for many activities. Shelters, grills, playground equipment, ponds, open space, restrooms and trails.

**CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

1340 Gunnison Ave., Grand Junction  
970-254-3866 • [gjparksandrec.org](http://gjparksandrec.org)  
Grand Junction Parks and Recreation is dedicated to providing all people quality recreation and leisure opportunities.

**COLORADO NATIONAL MONUMENT**

Colorado National Monument, 1750 Rim Rock Dr., Fruita • 970-858-3617 • [nps.gov/colm](http://nps.gov/colm)  
20,500 acres of towering monoliths, plateaus and canyons; hiking, road biking, scenic drives, wildlife viewing, camping, visitor center.

**COLORADO PARKS AND WILDLIFE**

711 Independent Ave., Grand Junction  
970-255-6100 • [cpw.state.co.us](http://cpw.state.co.us)  
Colorado Parks and Wildlife provides Colorado's residents and those that visit with a wide variety of outdoor recreation.

**HIGHLINE LAKE STATE PARK**

1800 11 8/10 Rd., Loma  
970-858-7208  
[cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/HighlineLake](http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/HighlineLake)  
Approximately 15 miles west of Grand Junction, Exit 15 off I-70.

**JAMES M. ROBB - COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK**

595 Hwy. 340, Fruita  
970-858-9188 • [cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/Parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver](http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/Parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver)  
Made up of five separate and distinct sections spread out over 35 miles along the Colorado River. Fruita is on the west end and Island Acres is on the east end with three stops between.

**JAMES M. ROBB - COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK CONNECTED LAKES SECTION**

Exit 28 Off I-70, Grand Junction  
970-434-3388 • [cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver/pages/connectedlakes.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver/pages/connectedlakes.aspx)  
An ideal location for birders and nature lovers to enjoy a hike along shaded trails.

**JAMES M. ROBB - COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK CORN LAKE SECTION**

361 32 Rd., Exit 15 Off I-70, Grand Junction  
970-434-3388 • [cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver/pages/cornlake.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver/pages/cornlake.aspx)  
An ideal location for accessing the Colorado Riverfront Trail system and Colorado River boating access, as well as shaded picnic sites, fishing and watchable wildlife opportunities.

**JAMES M. ROBB - COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK FRUITA SECTION**

595 Hwy. 340, Exit 19 Off I-70, Fruita  
970-858-9188 • [cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver/pages/fruita.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver/pages/fruita.aspx)  
Visitors enjoy 57 clean and comfortable campsites with outstanding views of the Colorado National Monument and easy access to the Colorado Riverfront Trail system and Colorado River.

**JAMES M. ROBB - COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK ISLAND ACRES SECTION**

1055 I-70, Exit 47, Palisade  
970-464-0548 • [cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver/pages/islandacres.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver/pages/islandacres.aspx)  
Visitors enjoy 80 clean and comfortable campsites with access to fishing, swimming and watchable wildlife opportunities.

**JAMES M. ROBB - COLORADO RIVER STATE PARK WILDLIFE AREA SECTION**

Exit 37 Off I-70, Grand Junction  
970-434-3388 • [cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver/pages/default.aspx](http://cpw.state.co.us/placestogo/parks/jamesmrobbcoloradoriver/pages/default.aspx)  
Easy access to the Colorado Riverfront Trail system and watchable wildlife opportunities.

**LAS COLONIAS PARK & AMPHITHEATER**

925 Struthers Ave., Grand Junction  
970-263-5700 • [gjcjcity.org/Facilities/Facility/Details/Las-Colonias-Park-37](http://gjcjcity.org/Facilities/Facility/Details/Las-Colonias-Park-37)  
Outdoor amphitheater along the Colorado Riverfront Trail and Colorado River. Concerts, events, small, and large groups, concessions.

**LINCOLN PARK/STOCKER STADIUM/ SUPLIZIO FIELD**

12th St. & Gunnison Ave., Grand Junction  
970-254-3866 • [gjcjcity.org/residents/parks-recreation/facility-rentals](http://gjcjcity.org/residents/parks-recreation/facility-rentals)  
Lincoln Park offers baseball and football fields, a 9-hole golf course, a 1/4-mile track, picnic shelters, playground and tennis/pickleball courts.

**VEGA STATE PARK**

15247 N. 6/10 Rd., Unit A, Collbran  
970-487-3407 • [cpw.state.co.us](http://cpw.state.co.us)  
Approximately 45 miles east of Grand Junction, Exit 49 off I-70.

**PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION & TAXIS**

**AMTRAK TRAIN STATION**

339 S. 1st St., Grand Junction  
970-241-2733 • [amtrak.com/home](http://amtrak.com/home)  
Reservations and schedule information; Grand Junction station information.

**BUSTANG**

230 S. 5th St., Grand Junction  
303-323-4564 • [ridebustang.com](http://ridebustang.com)  
Bus service daily between Denver and Grand Junction with many stops in between.

**BUSTANG OUTRIDER**

525 S. 6th St., Grand Junction  
970-563-4545 • [ridebustang.com](http://ridebustang.com)  
Bus service from Durango to Grand Junction stopping in Telluride, Ridgeway and Montrose.

**GRAND VALLEY TRANSIT**

525 S. 6th St., 1st Floor, Grand Junction  
970-256-7433 • [gvt.mesacounty.us](http://gvt.mesacounty.us)  
Public transit system serving the Grand Junction area.

**GREYHOUND BUS LINES**

525 S. 6th St., Grand Junction  
970-242-6012 • [greyhound.com](http://greyhound.com)  
Fare and schedule information; Grand Junction station information.

**SUNSHINE RIDES**

1321 Ute Ave., Grand Junction  
970-777-7777 • [sunshinerides.com](http://sunshinerides.com)  
Call or text; professional, insured transportation 24/7 X 365 throughout Mesa County.

## SHUTTLES & LIMOUSINES

### A TOUCH WITH CLASS

2258 Kingston Rd., Grand Junction  
970-245-5466 • [colorado-limo.com](http://colorado-limo.com)  
Service for point-to-point, limo or coach, winery and area tours. Airport pickups and arrangements for river and bike shuttles.

### ABSOLUTE PRESTIGE LIMOUSINE

1351 Q Rd., Loma  
970-858-8500, 888-858-3904 • [aplmo.com](http://aplmo.com)  
Transportation and tours; stretch limousines, SUVs, shuttle and limo buses, vans, Absolute Prestige ranch event and wedding venue, and horse-drawn carriage services. Offering wine tours and more.

## SKIING, SNOWBOARDING & WINTER SPORTS

### BOARD & BUCKLE

2822 North Ave., Grand Junction  
970-242-9285 • [boardandbuckle.com](http://boardandbuckle.com)

### GRAND MESA NATIONAL FOREST

2777 Crossroads Blvd., Unit 1, Grand Junction  
970-242-8211 • [fs.usda.gov/gmug](http://fs.usda.gov/gmug)  
Hiking, biking, fishing, ATV trails, over 300 lakes, 11 campgrounds, four forest service cabin rentals, visitor center, hunting.

### GRAND MESA NORDIC COUNCIL

P.O. Box 4034, Grand Junction  
970-434-9753 • [gmnc.org](http://gmnc.org)  
Grooms and maintains 51 km of Nordic ski trails on Skyway, County Line and Ward trail systems on the Grand Mesa

### POWDERHORN MOUNTAIN RESORT

48338 Powderhorn Rd., Mesa  
970-268-5700 • [powderhorn.com](http://powderhorn.com)  
Skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, Nordic skiing, weddings, meetings, banquets, summer activities, music, fun for the entire family.

### UNCOMPAGRE NATIONAL FOREST

2777 Crossroads Blvd., Unit 1, Grand Junction  
970-242-8211 • [fs.usda.gov/gmug](http://fs.usda.gov/gmug)  
Tabeguache Trail, hiking, biking, fishing, ATV trails, two campgrounds, two forest service cabin rentals, visitor center, hunting.

## SWIMMING POOLS, SKATEBOARD PARKS & DISC GOLF

### COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY

1000 Texas Ave., Grand Junction • 970-219-1548  
A putter only 9-hole disc golf course located in the center of campus. Take a scenic walk through the grass fields and campus buildings while enjoying a game. Course maps are available at the Maverick Center.

### EAGLE RIM SKATEBOARD PARK

2746 Cheyenne Dr., Grand Junction  
970-254-3866 • [gjparksandrec.org](http://gjparksandrec.org)  
Eagle Rim Skateboard Park is approximately 9,000 square feet equipped with concrete ramps, fun boxes and rails. Open year-round.

### LINCOLN PARK

1340 Gunnison Ave., Grand Junction  
970-254-3866 • [gjparksandrec.org](http://gjparksandrec.org)  
Lincoln Park offers tennis courts, football fields, baseball fields, 9-hole golf course, horseshoe court, 1/4-mile track, picnic shelters, playground.

### LINCOLN PARK-MOYER POOL

12th St. & Gunnison Ave., Grand Junction  
970-254-3887 • [gjparksandrec.org](http://gjparksandrec.org)  
This 50-meter outdoor pool features a waterslide, Splash Pad water playground, diving boards and a shallow water (2-4 foot) instructional tank.

### MATCHETT PARK

28 1/4 Rd. & Patterson Rd., Grand Junction  
970-254-3866 • [gjparksandrec.org](http://gjparksandrec.org)  
Undeveloped open space with 18-hole disc golf course.

### ORCHARD MESA COMMUNITY CENTER POOL

2736 Unaweeep Ave., Grand Junction  
970-254-3885 • [gjparksandrec.org](http://gjparksandrec.org)  
This Z-shaped pool is 25 meters by 25 yards. The pool features a shallow 2-foot wading area, 12-foot diving well, hot tub and indoor waterslide.

### PINERIDGE PARK

359 Ridges Blvd., Grand Junction  
970-254-3866 • [gjparksandrec.org](http://gjparksandrec.org)  
Pineridge Park offers a basketball court, horseshoe court, portable seasonal restroom, tennis/pickleball courts, volleyball court and playground.

### WATSON ISLAND

639 Struthers Ave., Grand Junction,  
970-254-3866  
Disc golf.

### WESTLAKE SKATEBOARD PARK

325 W. Orchard Ave., Grand Junction  
970-254-3866 • [gjparksandrec.org](http://gjparksandrec.org)  
Westlake Skateboard Park is located in Westlake Park and features a skatepark, disc golf course, picnic shelter, restroom and playground.

## Wineries

To view a full list, go to [VisitGrandJunction.com/Wineries-Tasting-Rooms](http://VisitGrandJunction.com/Wineries-Tasting-Rooms).

\*Contact individual wineries for list of states wine can be sent

	TASTING ROOM	WINE TOURS	GIFT SHOP	EVENTS	PICNIC AREA	FOOD AVAILABLE	BRING YOUR OWN FOOD	WINE MAILED*	HOURS
<b>AVANT VINEYARDS</b> 3480 E. Rd., Palisade • 970-216-9908 • <a href="http://avantvineyards.com">avantvineyards.com</a>	•				•	•	•	•	Memorial Weekend-Sept, Fri-Sun 11 am-4 pm; or by appt
<b>BOOKCLIFF VINEYARDS</b> 670 39 Rd., Palisade • 970-261-0071 • <a href="http://bookcliffvineyards.com">bookcliffvineyards.com</a>	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	Daily 10 am-5 pm
<b>CARBOY WINERY AT MT. GARFIELD ESTATES</b> 3572 G Rd., Palisade • 970-464-0941 • <a href="http://carboywinery.com">carboywinery.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Jan & Feb, Mon-Fri 12 pm-5 pm; Mar-Dec, daily 11 am-5 pm
<b>CARLSON VINEYARDS</b> 461 35 Rd., Palisade • 970-464-5554, 888-464-5554 • <a href="http://carlsonvineyards.com">carlsonvineyards.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	Daily 10 am-5:45 pm
<b>CARLSON VINEYARDS TASTING ROOM</b> 545 Main St., Grand Junction • 970-424-5827 • <a href="http://carlsonvineyards.com">carlsonvineyards.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	Wed-Sat 12 pm-8 pm Sun 10 am-5:45 pm
<b>CENTENNIAL CELLARS</b> 3801 F 1/4 Rd., Palisade • 970-464-5943 • <a href="http://centennialcellars.com">centennialcellars.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Sun 1 pm-5 pm Mon-Thurs 11 am-6 pm Fri-Sat 11 am-8 pm
<b>COLORADO CELLARS WINERY/ROCKY MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS</b> 3553 E. Rd., Palisade • 970-464-7921, 800-848-2812 • <a href="http://coloradocellars.com">coloradocellars.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Mon-Fri 9 am-5 pm; Sat-Sun 10 am-5 pm
<b>COLTERRIS AT THE OVERLOOK TASTING ROOM</b> 3548 E. 1/2 Rd., Palisade • 970-464-1150 • <a href="http://colterris.com">colterris.com</a>	•	•					•	•	June-Oct daily 10 am-5 pm
<b>COLTERRIS WINERY TASTING ROOM</b> 3907 N. River Rd., Palisade • 970-464-1150 • <a href="http://colterris.com">colterris.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Daily 10 am-5 pm



**Wineries**

	TASTING ROOM	WINE TOURS	GIFT SHOP	EVENTS	PICNIC AREA	FOOD AVAILABLE	BRING YOUR OWN FOOD	WINE MAILED*	HOURS
<b>DEBEQUE CANYON WINERY</b> 351 W. 8th St., Palisade • 970-464-0550 • <a href="http://debequecanyonwinery.com">debequecanyonwinery.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Apr 16–Oct 14, Sun–Thurs 11 am–6 pm & Fri–Sat 11 am–7 pm; Oct 15–Apr 15, Sun–Fri 12 pm–5 pm & Sat 10 am–5 pm
<b>GRANDE RIVER VINEYARDS</b> 787 Grande River Dr., Palisade • 970-464-5867, 800-264-7696 • <a href="http://granderivervineyards.com">granderivervineyards.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Daily 9 am–5 pm
<b>GRAYSTONE WINERY</b> 3352 F Rd., Clifton • 970-434-8610 • <a href="http://graystonewines.com">graystonewines.com</a>	•		•					•	Apr–Sept, Mon–Sat 10 am–5 pm & Sun 11 am–5 pm
<b>GUBBINI WINE SHOP</b> 305 Main St., Palisade • 970-270-7185 • <a href="http://gubbiniwinery.com">gubbiniwinery.com</a>	•		•					•	Daily 10 am–5 pm
<b>GUBBINI WINERY</b> 3697 F Rd., Palisade • 970-270-7185 • <a href="http://gubbiniwinery.com">gubbiniwinery.com</a>	•			•	•		•	•	Sat 11 am–5 pm
<b>HERMOSA VINEYARDS</b> 3269 3/4 C Rd., Palisade • 970-640-0940 • <a href="http://hermosavineyards.com">hermosavineyards.com</a>	•	•			•		•	•	Mon–Thurs 11 am–5pm, Fri 11 am–6 pm, Sat 10 am–6 pm, Sun 10 am–5 pm
<b>MAISON LA BELLE VIE WINERY</b> 3575 G Rd., Palisade • 970-464-2244 • <a href="http://maisonlabellevie.com">maisonlabellevie.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	Daily 11 am–5 pm
<b>MEADERY OF THE ROCKIES</b> 3701 G Rd., Palisade • 970-464-1300 • <a href="http://talonwinebrands.com">talonwinebrands.com</a>	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	Daily 10 am–5 pm
<b>MESA PARK VINEYARDS</b> 3321 C Rd., Palisade • 970-628-9113 • <a href="http://mesaparkvineyards.com">mesaparkvineyards.com</a>	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	Daily 11 am–5 pm
<b>ORDINARY FELLOW</b> 202 Peach Ave., Palisade • 970-464-2185 • <a href="http://theordinaryfellow.com">theordinaryfellow.com</a>	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	Sun–Wed 12 pm–6 pm, Thur–Sat 12 pm–8 pm
<b>THE PEACHFORK</b> 281 33 Rd., Palisade • 970-434-6273 • <a href="http://peachfork.com">peachfork.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Thur–Sat 12 pm–6 pm; or by appt.
<b>PLUM CREEK CELLARS</b> 3708 G Rd., Palisade • 970-464-7586, 866-788-7586 • <a href="http://plumcreekwinery.com">plumcreekwinery.com</a>	•		•		•	•	•		Daily 10 am–5 pm
<b>RED FOX CELLARS</b> 695 36 Rd., Palisade • 970-464-1099 • <a href="http://redfoxcellars.com">redfoxcellars.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Mon–Thur 11 am–5 pm, Fri & Sat 11 am–7 pm, Sun 11 am–7 pm
<b>RESTORATION VINEYARDS</b> 3594 E. 1/2 Rd., Palisade • 970-985-0832 • <a href="http://restorationvineyards.com">restorationvineyards.com</a>	•	•		•	•		•	•	Daily 11 am–5 pm
<b>SAUVAGE SPECTRUM</b> 676 38 1/4 Rd., Palisade • 970-464-2127 • <a href="http://sauvagespectrum.com">sauvagespectrum.com</a>	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	Sun–Fri 11 am–6 pm, Sat 11 am–7 pm
<b>SHIRAS WINERY</b> 449 Colorado Ave., Grand Junction • 970-242-2419 • <a href="http://shiraswinery.com">shiraswinery.com</a>	•	•	•	•		•			Mon–Sat 10 am–6 pm
<b>ST. KATHRYN CELLARS</b> 785 Elberta Ave., Palisade • 970-464-1300 • <a href="http://talonwinebrands.com">talonwinebrands.com</a>	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	Daily 10 am–5 pm; Memorial Day–Labor Day, Fri & Sat 10 am–6 pm
<b>TALON WINERY</b> 785 Elberta Ave., Palisade • 970-464-1300 • <a href="http://talonwinebrands.com">talonwinebrands.com</a>	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	Daily 10 am–5 pm
<b>TWO RIVERS WINERY</b> 2087 Broadway, Grand Junction • 970-255-1471, 866-312-9463 • <a href="http://tworiverswinery.com">tworiverswinery.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Mon–Sat 10 am–6 pm, Sunday 12 pm–5 pm
<b>VARAISON VINEYARDS &amp; WINERY</b> 405 W. First St., Palisade • 970-464-4928 • <a href="http://varaisonvineyards.com">varaisonvineyards.com</a>	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	Daily 10 am–6 pm
<b>VINES 79 WINE BARN</b> 3839 G Rd., Palisade • 970-589-0417 • <a href="http://vines79.com">vines79.com</a>	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	Fri–Mon 11 am–5 pm
<b>WHITEWATER HILL VINEYARDS</b> 220 32 Rd., Grand Junction • 970-434-6868 • <a href="http://whitewaterhill.com">whitewaterhill.com</a>	•		•		•	•	•	•	Daily 10 am–5:45 pm

# DINING

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## American

	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	LATE NIGHT	COLORADO FOOD OR DRINK
<b>626 ON ROOD</b> 626 Rood Ave. • 970-257-7663			•		•
<b>THE ALE HOUSE</b> 2531 N. 12th St. • 970-242-7253		•	•	•	•
<b>APPLEBEE'S GRILL + BAR</b> 711 Horizon Dr. • 970-256-0022		•	•	•	•
<b>BERNA B'S CLASSIC CUISINE AND CATERING</b> 2913 Patterson Rd. • 970-245-4144	•	•			•
<b>BIN 707 FOODBAR</b> 225 N. 5th St. • 970-243-4543			•		•
<b>BISTRO 743</b> 743 Horizon Dr. • 970-241-8888	•	•	•		
<b>BLUE MOON BAR AND GRILLE</b> 120 N. 7th St. • 970-242-4506		•	•	•	•
<b>BOSTON'S RESTAURANT &amp; SPORTS BAR</b> 2404 Patterson Rd. • 970-256-7654		•	•	•	•
<b>CAFÉ SOL</b> 420 Main St. • 970-986-3474	•	•			•
<b>CHILI'S GRILL &amp; BAR</b> 584 24 1/2 Rd. • 970-257-1800		•	•	•	•
<b>CLUBHOUSE 25</b> 2057 S. Broadway • 970-697-1116	•	•	•		
<b>DENNY'S</b> 710 Horizon Dr. • 970-243-5030	•	•	•	•	
<b>DEVIL'S KITCHEN</b> 840 Kennedy Ave. • 970-822-4848		•	•	•	•
<b>DREAM CAFÉ</b> 314 Main St. • 970-424-5353	•	•			•
<b>EDGEWATER BREWERY</b> 905 Struthers Ave. • 970-243-3659		•	•		•
<b>FAMOUS DAVE'S BAR-B-QUE</b> 2440 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-245-8227		•	•		•
<b>THE FEISTY PINT</b> 359 Colorado Ave. • 970-644-5555		•	•	•	•
<b>FIRST WATCH</b> 120 W. Park Dr. Suite 107 • 970-245-2527	•	•			
<b>THE GARDEN OF EAT'N</b> 200 W. Grand Ave. • 970-628-4802		•			•
<b>GOLDEN CORRAL</b> 1100 Independent Ave. • 970-241-7004	•	•	•		
<b>GRAND INTERNATIONAL BUFFET</b> 2504 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-683-3888		•	•		
<b>HANDLEBAR</b> 417 Monument Rd. #1 • 970-985-4245		•	•	•	•
<b>HAUS OF PURRL</b> 755 26 Rd. • 303-801-8967	•	•			•
<b>IHOP</b> 2420 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-248-9559	•	•	•	•	

	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	LATE NIGHT	COLORADO FOOD OR DRINK
<b>JIMMYZ HAMBURGER</b> 1840 N. 12th St. • 970-243-8551		•	•		
<b>JUICE STOP</b> 200 W. Grand Ave. • 970-243-5082	•	•	•		
<b>KANNAH CREEK BREWING CO</b> 1960 N. 12th St. • 970-263-0111		•	•		•
<b>MAIN STREET CAFE</b> 504 Main St. • 970-242-7225	•	•			•
<b>MARY'S HOMESTYLE COOKING</b> 230 E. Lynwood St. • 970-628-4361	•	•			
<b>NOODLES &amp; COMPANY</b> 2474 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-245-7652		•	•		
<b>OLD CHICAGO</b> 120 North Ave. • 970-244-8383		•	•	•	•
<b>OUTLAW CAFE</b> 2493 Hwy. 6 & 50 #4 • 970-263-0448	•	•			
<b>PUFFERBELLY RESTAURANT</b> 337 S. 1st St. • 970-242-1600	•	•			•
<b>RANDY'S SOUTHSIDE DINER</b> 2430 North Ave. • 970-241-3083 2704 S. Hwy. 50 • 970-255-0786	•	•			
<b>RED ROBIN</b> 2530 Rimrock Ave. • 970-242-4101		•	•	•	•
<b>RIB CITY</b> 2830 North Ave. • 970-245-1742		•	•		•
<b>ROCKSLIDE BREW PUB</b> 401 Main St. • 970-245-2111		•	•	•	•
<b>SPOONS BISTRO &amp; BAKERY</b> 3090 N. 12th St. • 970-255-7237	•	•	•		•
<b>SUNRISE RESTAURANT</b> 811 S. 7th St. • 970-424-5544	•	•			
<b>TEXAS ROADHOUSE</b> 2870 North Ave. • 970-243-5700		•	•	•	•
<b>TWO RIVERS TAVERN</b> 539 Colorado Ave. • 970-433-7465		•	•	•	
<b>VILLAGE INN</b> 1910 North Ave. • 970-243-5467 757 Horizon Dr. • 970-254-8067	•	•	•	•	

## Asian/Eastern

<b>BAMBOO CITY</b> 2472 Patterson Rd. • 970-242-0283		•	•		
<b>CHINA PANTRY</b> 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-257-0888		•	•		
<b>CHOPSTIX EXPRESS</b> 1037 North Ave. • 970-263-9388		•	•		
<b>DRAGON TREASURE</b> 2740 Hwy. 50 • 970-245-2007		•	•		
<b>EC'S ASIAN STATION</b> 200 W. Grand Ave. #8 • 970-241-7219		•	•		

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	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	LATE NIGHT	COLORADO FOOD OR DRINK
<b>EKAHI GRILL</b> 1230 N. 12th St. Unit 2 • 970-628-1336		•	•		
<b>GENGHIS GRILL</b> 2474 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-241-5020		•	•		
<b>GINGER ORIENTAL RESTAURANT</b> 2381 Patterson Rd. • 970-245-7731		•	•		
<b>KOI RAMEN &amp; SUSHI</b> 2880 North Ave. • 970-314-2935		•	•	•	
<b>KUNIKO'S TERIYAKI GRILL</b> 2695 Patterson Rd. • 970-241-9245		•	•		
<b>NO COAST SUSHI</b> 1119 N. 1st St. • 970-255-1097		•	•		•
<b>PHO 88</b> 2463 Patterson Rd. • 970-549-1375		•	•		
<b>THE RED MAPLE</b> 2839 North Ave. • 970-644-5551		•	•		
<b>SANG GARDEN</b> 687 Horizon Dr. • 970-242-2396		•	•		
<b>SUEHIRO</b> 541 Main St. • 970-245-9548		•	•		•
<b>TEPANYAKI JAPANESE STEAKHOUSE &amp; SUSHI BAR</b> 752 1/2 Horizon Dr. • 970-242-7772			•		
<b>THAI CHILI &amp; PHO</b> 2536 Rimrock Ave. • 970-242-3299		•	•		•
<b>THAI NUMBER 9</b> 539 N. 1st St. • 970-549-4717		•	•		
<b>THAI SMILE</b> 2692 Hwy. 50 Suite E • 970-644-5989		•	•		
<b>TROPIX HAWAIIAN BBQ</b> 2740 Hwy. 50 • 970-242-2068		•	•		
<b>ZEN GARDEN</b> 2886 North Ave. • 970-254-8898		•	•		•

## Bar/After Dark

<b>626 ON ROOD</b> 626 Rood Ave. • 970-257-7663			•		•
<b>THE ALE HOUSE</b> 2531 N. 12th St. • 970-242-7253		•	•	•	•
<b>APPLEBEE'S GRILL + BAR</b> 711 Horizon Dr. • 970-256-0022		•	•	•	•
<b>BLUE MOON BAR AND GRILLE</b> 120 N. 7th St. • 970-242-4506		•	•	•	•
<b>THE BRASS RAIL TAVERN</b> 476 28 Rd. • 970-241-8686		•	•	•	
<b>CHARLIE DWELLINGTON'S</b> 103 N. 1st St. • 970-241-4010		•	•	•	•
<b>CHILI'S GRILL &amp; BAR</b> 584 24 1/2 Rd. • 970-257-1800		•	•	•	•

	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	LATE NIGHT	COLORADO FOOD OR DRINK
<b>CIARA'S CANTINA</b> 701 Main St. • 970-549-1326		•	•	•	•
<b>CRUISERS BAR</b> 715 Horizon Dr. • 970-314-2554 2692 Hwy. 50 • 970-549-1655		•	•	•	•
<b>EDGEWATER BREWERY</b> 905 Struthers Ave. • 970-243-3659		•	•		•
<b>FAMOUS DAVE'S BAR-B-QUE</b> 2440 Hwy. 6 & 50 #J • 970-245-8227		•	•		•
<b>THE GOAT AND CLOVER TAVERN</b> 336 Main St. Suite 101 • 970-985-4628		•	•	•	•
<b>HANDLEBAR</b> 417 Monument Rd. #1 • 970-985-4245		•	•	•	•
<b>KANNAH CREEK BREWING CO</b> 1960 N. 12th St. • 970-263-0111		•	•		•
<b>MONUMENTAL BEER WORKS</b> 2575 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-462-7411					•
<b>MOODY'S LOUNGE</b> 546 Main St. #300 • 970-314-7984			•	•	
<b>OLD CHICAGO</b> 120 North Ave. • 970-244-8383		•	•	•	•
<b>THE POINT</b> 1455 N. 12th St. • 970-255-7012		•	•		•
<b>QUINCY BAR</b> 609 Main St. • 970-242-9633			•	•	•
<b>RAMBLEBINE BREWING COMPANY</b> 457 Colorado Ave. • 970-644-5273		•	•		•
<b>RED ROBIN</b> 2530 Rimrock Ave. • 970-242-4101		•	•	•	•
<b>ROCKSLIDE BREW PUB</b> 401 Main St. • 970-245-2111		•	•	•	•
<b>SCALLYWAGS BAR &amp; GRILL</b> 509 28 1/2 Rd. • 970-644-5600		•	•	•	•
<b>SKORZ</b> 122 S. 5th St. • 970-549-1394			•	•	•
<b>TRAIL LIFE BREWING</b> 436 Main St.		•	•		•
<b>TWO RIVERS TAVERN</b> 539 Colorado Ave. • 970-433-7465		•	•	•	
<b>WRIGLEY FIELD</b> 1810 North Ave. • 970-245-9010		•	•	•	•
<b>X-GOLF GRAND JUNCTION</b> 2482 Patterson Rd. Unit 2 • 970-644-5251				•	

## Coffee, Tea & Sweets

<b>THE ARTFUL CUP</b> 3090 N. 12th St. • 970-623-9665	•				
<b>BAKER'S BOUTIQUE</b> 726 24 Rd. • 970-241-0033	•	•			

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	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	LATE NIGHT	COLORADO FOOD OR DRINK
<b>BE SWEET CAFE &amp; BAKE SHOP</b> 150 W. Main St. Suite C • 970-628-4902	•	•			
<b>BETTY'S GOURMET COFFEE AND SUCH</b> 840 Kennedy Ave. • 970-822-4850	•	•			•
<b>BOARD FOX GAMES &amp; COFFEE</b> 623 Main St. • 970-208-4071		•			
<b>THE COFFEE TRADER</b> 2566 Patterson Rd. Suite A • 970-243-6590	•	•			
<b>COLORADO LEGACY COFFEE COMPANY</b> 1048 Independent Ave. #A105 • 970-241-6558	•	•			•
<b>COPEKA COFFEE</b> 1012 N. 5th St. • 970-628-0878	•	•			
<b>CRUMBL COOKIES</b> 2546 Rimrock Ave. #400 • 970-368-5033	•	•	•	•	
<b>DAYLIGHT DONUTS</b> 1410 North Ave. • 970-628-4545 230 Lynwood St. • 970-549-4323	•	•			
<b>ENSTROM CANDIES</b> 200 S. 7th St. • 970-242-1655 120 W. Park Dr. • 970-241-7819	•	•	•		
<b>FOUR WINDS COFFEE AND TEA</b> 1235 Bookcliff Ave. • 970-424-5336	•	•	•		
<b>GRAFF DAIRY</b> 581 29 Rd. • 970-549-4893		•	•	•	•
<b>JAVA JUNCTION</b> 602 Main St. • 970-241-5150	•	•			
<b>JAZZMAN'S CAFE AT COLORADO MESA</b> 1415 Houston Ave. • 970-248-1632	•				
<b>JITTERZ COFFEE HUT</b> 644 North Ave.	•	•			
<b>KILN COFFEE BAR</b> 326 Main St. • 970-712-4494	•	•			
<b>MAIN STREET BAGELS</b> 559 Main St. • 970-241-2740	•	•			•
<b>MOUNTAIN AIR ROASTERS</b> 126 N. 7th St. • 970-433-4390 2482 Patterson Rd.	•	•	•		
<b>N'ICE CREAM SHOP</b> 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50 #166	•	•	•		
<b>NOTHING BUNDT CAKES</b> 2536 Rimrock Ave. #300 • 970-773-9400	•	•			
<b>THE NOVEL CUP</b> 443 N. 6th St. • 970-275-5653	•	•			
<b>OCTOPUS COFFEE</b> 759 Horizon Dr. • 970-644-2829	•	•			
<b>PERDITA'S COFFEE</b> 2938 North Ave. Suite D • 970-361-2509	•	•			
<b>STARBUCKS</b> 2504 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-241-0176 1350 North Ave. • 970-243-3361 624 Rae Lynn St. • 970-241-1093	•	•	•		

	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	LATE NIGHT	COLORADO FOOD OR DRINK
<b>STARBUCKS IN CMU</b> 1455 N. 12th St. • 970-248-1607	•	•			
<b>STARBUCKS IN CITY MARKET</b> 630 24 Rd. • 970-244-8100 2770 Hwy. 50 S. • 970-245-1411 2600 N. 12th St. • 970-628-7555	•	•	•		
<b>STARBUCKS IN SAFEWAY</b> 681 Horizon Dr. • 970-254-0227 2512 Broadway • 970-257-0072 2901 F Rd. • 970-248-9869	•	•	•		
<b>SUGAR AND ICE</b> 950 North Ave. • 970-424-5041	•	•			
<b>SWEET KIWI BAKERY</b> 2700 S. Hwy. 50 • 970-589-9232	•	•			
<b>TRAILHEAD COFFEE BAR</b> 413 Monument Rd. • 970-314-3135	•	•			
<b>WAVE DRINKS</b> 1122 N. 12th St 2285 River Rd.	•	•	•		

## Delicatessen

<b>7TH STREET DELI</b> 2232 N. 7th St. • 970-243-8827	•	•			•
<b>THE CUTTING BOARD DELI</b> 759 Horizon Dr. #A • 970-433-7544		•			
<b>EINSTEIN BROS. BAGELS</b> 2546 Rimrock Ave. #100 • 970-245-0266 1100 North Ave. • 970-248-1084	•	•			
<b>GELATO JUNCTION</b> 449 Main St. • 970-245-4759		•	•	•	
<b>GREAT HARVEST BREAD CO.</b> 2464 Hwy. 6 & 50 #130 • 970-241-0755	•	•	•		
<b>THE HOG AND THE HEN</b> 510 Main St. • 970-644-5110		•	•		•
<b>THE HONEY BAKED HAM COMPANY</b> 2464 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-242-5522		•			
<b>KULINA LANI ORGANIC SOURDOUGH BAKERY</b> 644 North Ave. #4 • 970-539-5444	•	•			•
<b>MAIN STREET BAGELS</b> 559 Main St. • 970-241-2740	•	•			•
<b>MICALISTER'S DELI</b> 480 W. Park Dr. Suite 106 • 970-245-3354		•	•		
<b>MY FAVORITE MUFFIN</b> 683 Horizon Dr. #109 • 970-257-1570	•	•			
<b>U TOP IT FROZEN YOGURT &amp; DELI</b> 230 Lynwood St. Suite I • 970-424-5566		•	•		
<b>WHICH WICH SUPERIOR SANDWICHES</b> 2691 Patterson Rd. • 970-424-5480 2430 Patterson Rd. Unit C • 970-639-8232		•	•		
<b>ZOUP!</b> 644 North Ave. • 970-361-3340		•	•		

# DINING

## Entertainment

	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	LATE NIGHT	COLORADO FOOD OR DRINK
<b>BANANAS FUN PARK</b> 2469 Riverside Pkwy. • 970-241-7529		•	•		
<b>THE DUGOUT</b> 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50 #232 • 970-270-7565		•	•		
<b>FREEWAY BOWL</b> 1900 Main St. • 970-245-3035		•	•	•	
<b>ORCHARD MESA LANES</b> 295 27 Rd. • 970-242-9297		•	•	•	
<b>PICTURE SHOW AT GRAND JUNCTION</b> 590 24 1/2 Rd. • 970-243-0962		•	•	•	
<b>REGAL CANYON VIEW</b> 648 Market St. • 844-462-7342		•	•	•	
<b>X-GOLF GRAND JUNCTION</b> 2482 Patterson Rd. Unit 2 • 970-644-5251		•	•	•	

## Fast Food / Casual

<b>A&amp;W RESTAURANT</b> 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-241-4643 2222 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-242-2090		•	•		
<b>ARBY'S</b> 2468 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-245-0549 1155 North Ave. • 970-245-2907		•	•		
<b>BURGER KING</b> 2752 S. Hwy. 50 • 970-245-2741 1730 North Ave. • 970-242-1282	•	•	•		
<b>CARL'S JR.</b> 2842 North Ave. • 970-245-9555 748 22 Rd. • 970-241-1563	•	•	•		
<b>CHARLEYS PHILLY STEAKS</b> 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50 #142 • 970-241-2007		•	•		
<b>CHICK-FIL-A</b> 1455 N. 12th St. • 970-248-1742 522 Bogart Ln. • 970-241-0352	•	•	•		
<b>COLD STONE CREAMERY</b> 2474 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-257-0100					
<b>CRUMBL COOKIES</b> 2546 Rimrock Ave #400 • 970-368-5033	•	•	•	•	
<b>DAIRY QUEEN</b> 709 North Ave. • 970-245-5782 272 Linden Ave. • 970-241-6630 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-243-7044		•	•		
<b>DEL TACO</b> 2513 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-242-1293 2878 North Ave. • 970-812-5700	•	•	•		
<b>FREDDY'S FROZEN CUSTARD &amp; STEAKBURGERS</b> 2489 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-628-4005 737 Horizon Dr. • 970-433-7112		•	•		
<b>HOME STYLE BAKERY</b> 924 N. 7th St. • 970-243-1233	•	•			•
<b>JIMMY JOHN'S</b> 2502 Hwy. 6 & 50 Unit A 101 • 970-243-1752 1230 N. 12th St. • 970-549-4001		•	•		

	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	LATE NIGHT	COLORADO FOOD OR DRINK
<b>KFC</b> 1111 North Ave. • 970-243-6222		•	•		
<b>MCDONALD'S</b> 1212 North Ave. • 970-242-1105 2428 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-245-3900	•	•	•		
<b>PITA PLACE</b> 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-241-4643	•	•	•		
<b>SONIC DRIVE-IN</b> 2833 North Ave. • 970-245-4302 2523 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-241-9929	•	•	•		
<b>SUBWAY</b> 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-243-2228 2885 North Ave. • 970-242-5524 722 Horizon Dr. • 970-241-6336 1840 N. 12th St. • 970-241-2442 115 W. Grand Ave. • 970-241-1067 810 North Ave. • 970-241-3677 2692 Hwy. 50 • 970-242-3892 2412 Patterson Rd. • 970-241-2667	•	•	•		
<b>TACO BELL</b> 2897 North Ave. • 970-241-2091 2428 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-241-5118 736 Horizon Dr. • 970-245-5956 850 North Ave. • 970-243-1293	•	•	•	•	
<b>TACO JOHN'S</b> 1430 North Ave. • 970-314-9620	•	•	•		
<b>WENDY'S</b> 2550 North Ave. • 970-242-1009 750 1/2 Horizon Dr. • 970-241-2217 2430 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-241-0867	•	•	•	•	
<b>WETZEL'S PRETZELS</b> 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-243-3761		•	•		
<b>WIENERSCHNITZEL</b> 2550 North Ave. • 970-242-3133 333 N. 1st St. • 970-462-7908 745 Horizon Dr. • 970-325-6436 401 30 Rd. • 970-200-8954	•	•	•		

## International

<b>CITROLAS</b> 759 Horizon Dr. • 970-639-9789			•		•
<b>ENZO'S PIZZERIA &amp; ITALIAN CAFE</b> 707 Horizon Dr. • 970-255-8500			•		•
<b>THE GOAT AND CLOVER TAVERN</b> 336 Main St. Suite 101 • 970-985-4628		•	•	•	•
<b>GURU'S KITCHEN</b> 356 Main St. • 970-549-4870		•	•		•
<b>IL BISTRO ITALIANO</b> 400 Main St. • 970-243-8622		•	•		•
<b>LE ROUGE</b> 317 Main St. • 970-257-1777			•		•
<b>OLIVE GARDEN ITALIAN RESTAURANT</b> 2416 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-243-7355		•	•	•	

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	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	LATE NIGHT	COLORADO FOOD OR DRINK
<b>RISTORANTE PANTUSO</b> 755 Horizon Dr. • 970-255-0000			•		•
<b>NAMASTE NEPAL RESTAURANT</b> 2692 Hwy. 50 Suite M • 970-628-1062		•	•		

## Mexican

<b>AZTECAS FAMILY MEXICAN RESTAURANT</b> 603 S. Hwy. 50 • 970-241-4343 705 Horizon Dr. • 970-424-0259		•	•		
<b>CAFE RIO MEXICAN GRILL</b> 2412 Patterson Rd. • 970-208-1800		•	•		
<b>CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL</b> 2504 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-257-1966		•	•		
<b>CIARA'S CANTINA</b> 701 Main St. • 970-549-1326		•	•	•	•
<b>COSTA VIDA</b> 2430 Patterson Rd. • 970-639-9562		•	•		
<b>EL ASADERO</b> 2424 Hwy. 6 & 50		•	•		
<b>EL MESCAL</b> 2210 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-549-1892		•	•	•	
<b>EL TAPATIO</b> 1145 North Ave. • 970-245-6479		•	•	•	•
<b>FIESTA GUADALAJARA</b> 710 North Ave. • 970-255-6609		•	•	•	•
<b>LAS MARIAS MEXICAN RESTAURANT</b> 118 S. 7th St. • 970-241-2398	•	•	•		•
<b>LOS ALAZANES MEXICAN FOOD</b> 2301 North Ave. • 970-242-0227	•	•	•		
<b>LOS JILBERTOS</b> 2812 North Ave. • 970-243-6972	•	•	•	•	
<b>MI MEXICO</b> 624 Rae Lynn St. • 970-241-3354		•	•	•	
<b>POLLO AZADO</b> 304 North Ave. • 970-256-9400		•	•		
<b>QDOBA MEXICAN GRILL</b> 2536 Rimrock Ave. • 970-243-0877 2510 N. 12th St. Unit A • 970-628-4903		•	•		
<b>TACOPARTY</b> 126 S. 5th St. • 970-314-9736		•	•		•
<b>TAQUERIA GUADALAJARA</b> 683 Horizon Dr. #112 • 970-242-9600 719 Pitkin Ave. • 970-256-1791		•	•		
<b>TEQUILA'S</b> 2560 North Ave. • 970-257-9266 2454 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-241-3100		•	•	•	

## Pizza

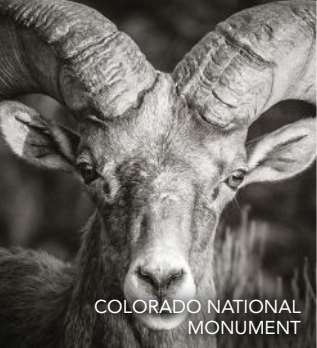
	BREAKFAST	LUNCH	DINNER	LATE NIGHT	COLORADO FOOD OR DRINK
<b>BRAVO PIZZA</b> 936 North Ave. Suite 100 • 970-644-5915		•	•		
<b>DIORIO'S PIZZA</b> 1125 North Ave. • 970-243-1700		•	•		•
<b>DOMINO'S PIZZA</b> 2249 Broadway • 970-243-3639 2674 Hwy. 50 • 970-241-1513 904 North Ave. • 970-245-4545		•	•	•	
<b>JUNCT'N SQUARE PIZZA</b> 119 N. 7th St. • 970-254-8844		•	•		•
<b>LITTLE CAESARS</b> 1840 N. 12th St. • 970-263-4288		•	•		
<b>PABLO'S PIZZA</b> 319 Main St. • 970-255-8879		•	•		•
<b>PAPA JOHN'S PIZZA</b> 1310 North Ave. • 970-241-7272		•	•	•	
<b>PAPA MURPHY'S PIZZA</b> 2546 Rimrock Ave. Suite 200B • 970-257-7272		•	•		
<b>PIZZA HUT</b> 417 Monument Rd. • 970-245-1777 1440 North Ave. • 970-243-4914		•	•	•	
<b>PIZZAMORE</b> 683 Horizon Dr. #104 • 970-243-4997		•	•		•
<b>SMOKIN' OAK WOOD-FIRED PIZZA</b> 2478 Hwy. 6 & 50 #B • 970-243-8255		•	•		

## Sports Bar

<b>BOSTON'S RESTAURANT &amp; SPORTS BAR</b> 2404 Patterson Rd. • 970-256-7654		•	•	•	•
<b>BUFFALO WILD WINGS</b> 2412 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-242-3151		•	•	•	•
<b>FLY'N ROOSTERS</b> 200 W. Grand Ave. #2 • 970-243-6727		•	•		•
<b>OLD CHICAGO</b> 120 North Ave. • 970-244-8383		•	•	•	•
<b>VOLLEY'S</b> 1130 N. 3rd St. • 970-255-6666		•	•	•	

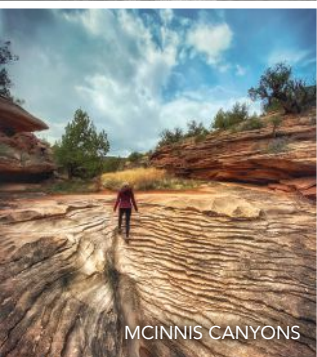
## Steak & Seafood

<b>OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE</b> 2432 Hwy. 6 & 50 • 970-257-7550		•	•	•	•
<b>RED LOBSTER</b> 575 24 1/2 Rd. • 970-242-2050		•	•	•	•
<b>WAREHOUSE 2565</b> 2565 American Way • 970-628-4321		•	•	•	•
<b>THE WINERY RESTAURANT</b> 642 Main St. • 970-242-4100			•		•



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## REDISCOVERY & REAWAKENING

Returning to something you thought you recognized, only to realize that it's irresistibly new again. As Heraclitus mused, "No man ever steps in the same river twice, for it's not the same river and he's not the same man."

The Grand Junction area has always felt like home to me. I studied at CMU and began my adult life in Grand Junction. Over the last 15 years I've departed, explored, and returned many times; beckoned by that elusive gravitational pull of Grand

Junction. She is a mysterious lover, one that natives and visitors alike will attest to.

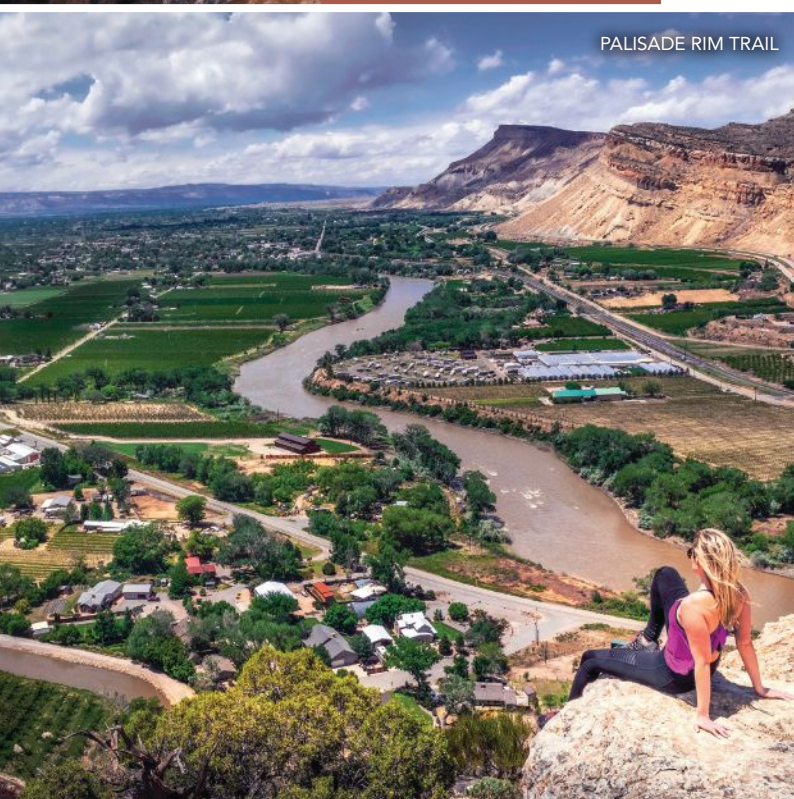
If you grew up here, you've likely heard of this enigmatic force referred to as more of a curse than a blessing. "Take some dirt with you when you leave, or you'll be back in no time." A common refrain that ostensibly speaks to our deeper sense that there's something unique, if not downright special here – a secret so utterly enchanting that you might find yourself powerless against its charm.

Living and working elsewhere has helped me appreciate just how unrestrained our access to a pristine natural experience truly is in Grand Junction. The friction between daily life and a profound connection to the sublime beauty of the outdoors is almost nonexistent here.

I choose to experience this churning vortex of Grand Junction's energy as a siren's call, alluring me back into the wild, the uncharted and the unexplored. The dynamism of the environment in this part of the country will always present new challenges and wonders; I welcome that unknown frontier with a quickening of spirit and a heightened sense of adventure.

Those willing to venture out and explore Grand Junction will inevitably find something new and vital in themselves, and in our shared connection to something much bigger. A stirring in their soul that is exquisitely reflected in the overwhelming beauty of this ever-changing landscape.

So give in, surrender and dive deeply into the rugged and unspoiled intrigue of this Western Wonderland.



PALISADE RIM TRAIL

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|---|---|
| <b>1</b> RIVER CITY SPORTPLEX             | <b>5</b> GRAND VALLEY TRANSIT SYSTEM      |
| <b>2</b> GRAND JUNCTION CONVENTION CENTER | <b>6</b> LAS COLONIAS PARK & AMPHITHEATER |
| <b>3</b> ONE RIVERFRONT TRAIL             | <b>7</b> STOCKER STADIUM & SUPLIZIO FIELD |
| <b>4</b> AVALON THEATRE                   | <b>8</b> LUNCH LOOPS                      |



# JUNCTION AREA



# GETTING TO GRAND JUNCTION

## Flights to GJ ✈️

The following destinations offer nonstop service to and from Grand Junction Regional Airport.

Chicago, IL (ORD; seasonal)	Las Vegas, NV (LAS)
Denver, CO (DEN)	Los Angeles, CA (LAX)
Dallas/Fort Worth, TX (DFW)	Phoenix, AZ (PHX & AZA)
	Salt Lake City, UT (SLC)

*\*Flights subject to change.*

## SCENIC DRIVES 🚗

Add one of these stunning routes to your itinerary.

### Unaweep/Tabeguache Scenic and Historic Byway

Experience towering granite walls, lush green fields, slick rock canyons and high-desert landscape along 133 miles.

### Rim Rock Drive

The 23-mile paved road through Colorado National Monument boasts spectacular viewpoints of the landmark's otherworldly canyonlands.

### Grand Mesa National Scenic Byway

This 150-mile round-trip drive climbs to above 10,000 feet on the world's largest flat-top mountain.

### Dinosaur Diamond Scenic Byway

See some of the world's most significant dinosaur fossil quarries on this 486-mile byway that includes Grand Junction and Fruita.

## UBER, LYFT & TAXIS

Need a ride? No problem. Fire up your Uber and Lyft apps, two rideshare companies that operate in the area, or call Sunshine Rides at 970-777-7777.

## BUSTANG BUS

The Bustang offers service from downtown Denver to Grand Junction (West Line), while the Bustang Outrider has a route that travels from Durango to Grand Junction.

## CALIFORNIA ZEPHYR TRAIN

The California Zephyr travels from Chicago to San Francisco with six stops in Colorado, including Denver and Grand Junction. Hop on the train in Denver for a scenic journey through the Rocky Mountains to Grand Junction.

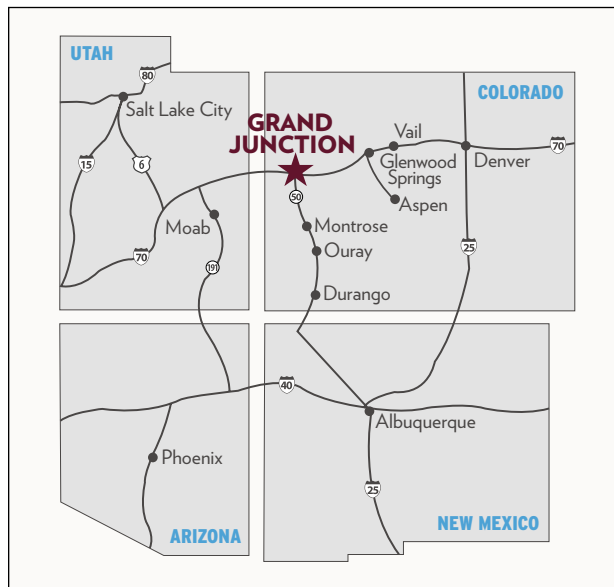
## GRAND VALLEY TRANSIT

The Grand Valley Transit system offers affordable bus route transportation throughout Grand Junction, Fruita and Palisade areas.

## DRIVING TO GRAND JUNCTION 🚗

CITY	TIME	DISTANCE
Albuquerque, NM	6 hrs 30 min	384 miles
Aspen, CO	2 hrs	132 miles
Denver, CO	4 hrs	250 miles
Glenwood Springs, CO	1 hr 15 min	90 miles
Moab, UT	1 hr 45 min	113 miles
Ouray, CO	1 hr 45 min	97 miles
Phoenix, AZ	8 hrs 30 min	576 miles
Salt Lake City, UT	4 hrs 15 min	275 miles
Vail, CO	2 hrs	145 miles

*\* Times and miles are approximate*



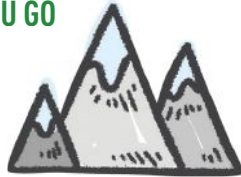
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**Did You Know?** Colorado National Monument's 32 square miles encompass 11 canyons and more than 40 miles of hiking trails.

# LEAVE NO TRACE – CARE FOR COLORADO PRINCIPLES

## 01 KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Our state and federal agencies manage 42 percent of Colorado's majestic landscape, and our cities and counties maintain even more. Learn about and respect the spaces we all share.
- Stay back from the pack. Find your way to less-visited and off-peak destinations to minimize down time and maximize your connection with special places.
- Bring along reusable water bottles or hot drink tumblers to limit waste and stay hydrated in our dry climate.



## 02 STICK TO TRAILS

- With 39,000 marked trails and 13,000 designated campsites, there's no need to venture beyond. By sticking to these areas and camping at least 200 feet from lakes, rivers and streams, you're helping natural areas stay natural.
- Even though shortcuts can be tempting, please don't take them. A few extra strides on the path will protect plants and the homes of the true locals.



## 03 LEAVE IT AS YOU FIND IT

- Leave plants, rocks and historical items as you find them so others experience the joy of discovery.
- Any of our 750 different species of wildflowers will live forever in a photo. Snap away, but only with a camera.
- Colorado is beautiful all on its own. Building structures or campsites on public land isn't cool. Keep it pristine for everyone to enjoy.
- Treat all living things with respect. Carving or hacking plants and trees may kill or disfigure them.



## 04 TRASH THE TRASH

- Pack it in, pack it out. Or pick it up to leave a place better than you found it. Put litter, even crumbs, peels and cores in your nearest waste/recycling bin.
- Wash yourself, your dog or whatever else needs cleaning at least 200 feet from waterways, and use biodegradable soap. A bubble bath is no treat for fish.
- If you have to poo, walk at least 70 steps from trails, water and people. Dig a cat hole 6 inches deep, do your thing in the hole, cover it and pack out your TP. Or, use a wag bag (a disposable bag found in most outdoor stores) so you can pack out your waste.



## 05 BE CAREFUL WITH FIRE

- Colorado's low humidity has perks, but can create dry, dangerous conditions. Keep campfires small and manageable to avoid sparking wildfires.
- When putting out a fire, water it until you can handle the embers. Never let a fire burn unattended.
- Use care when smoking in Colorado's dry climate. Always put cigarettes out completely, and don't leave your butts behind.
- Always check for local fire restrictions.



## 06 KEEP WILDLIFE WILD

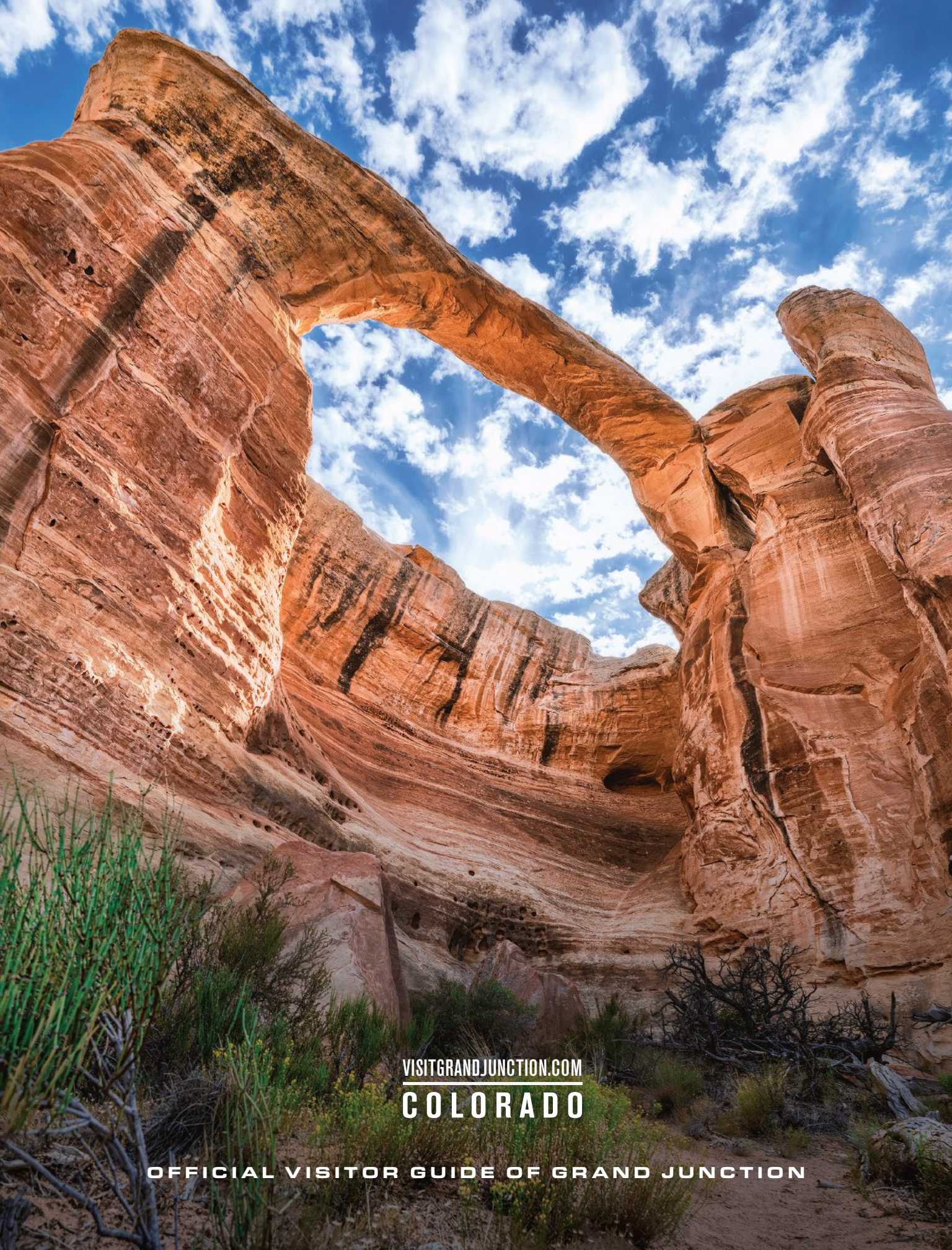
- Colorado is home to tens of thousands of furry, scaly and feathered creatures. To keep them – and you – safe, don't approach them.
- It is not adorable to feed wild animals. You could alter natural behaviors, exposing them to predators or even euthanasia.
- Keep your furry buddies leashed when enjoying dog-friendly trails, and pack out their waste. All the way to a trashcan.



## 07 SHARE OUR TRAILS & PARKS

- Chances are you're not out in nature to people watch, so try out the lesser-known paths and sites.
- Silence your cell phone before stepping into nature, and speak softly without using the speaker function.
- Be considerate when passing others on the trails and yield to the uphill hiker and biker – they need the momentum.
- Listen to nature. Keep your voice and music soft so all can enjoy the peace of Colorado.





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