

## [3 Days, 300 Lakes & 3 Scenic Trails on the Grand Mesa](#)

# COLO-ROAD TRIPS

ESTABLISHED IN 2017

[See all Colo-Road Trips](#)

[Skip to Main Content](#)

3  
days

Northwest Colorado's Grand Mesa is one of the largest flat-top mountains in the world, and its landscape sets it apart from much of the rest of Colorado — that so many lakes can be found so close together is a bit of an anomaly in this high-altitude state. Alexander Lake Lodge in Cedaredge is the perfect homebase for activities and exploration of the area.

Sustainability Activity  
Travel Like a Local

There are special places and unique vistas around nearly every Colorado corner. You can help ensure these places exist for generations to come by staying on roads and trails, keeping speeds in check, leaving campsites and picnic spots just as you found them, and following instructional signs while you're out and about in our state.

Day  
1

Activity  
Grand Mesa - Scenic and Historic Byway  
The byway climbs through Plateau Creek to cool evergreen forests.  
[Read More](#)  
[Visit Website](#)

## Lunch

### Mesa Lakes Lodge

Mesa Lakes Lodge has cabin rentals and a full service restaurant. It is located on the Grand Mesa, only an hour from Grand Junction or Montrose.

[Read More](#)

[Visit Website](#)

## Activity

### Fishing in Jumbo, Mesa Lake and Waterdog Reservoirs

At 800 square miles, Colorado's Grand Mesa is one of the largest flat-top mountains in the world, and its landscape sets it apart from much of the rest of Colorado — that so many lakes can be found so close together is a bit of an anomaly in this high-altitude.

[Visit Website](#)

## Lodging

### Dine, Dance & Sleep at Alexander Lake Lodge

The perfect place to settle for the night, this lodge in Cedaredge is your one-stop shop for the evening's activities.

[Visit Website](#)

## Day

2

### Insider's Tip

#### Breakfast at the Lodge

Stick around the lodge for your morning meal before heading out for adventure.

#### Activity

##### Hike Crag Crest National Recreation Trail

The Crag Crest National Recreation Trail is a 10.3 mile circular trail consisting of a crest portion and a loop portion. It is recommended that you get an early start to avoid afternoon thunderstorms.

[Visit Website](#)

#### Lunch

##### Grand Mesa Lodge

Be at the center of it all on the Grand Mesa Colorado. Enjoy the breathtaking scenery any time of the year. 14 Cabins located on Island Lake...

[Read More](#)

[Visit Website](#)

#### Activity

##### Hike Land O' Lakes Trail

Because of the scenic view it offers, the Land Of Lakes Trail #713 is one of the most used trails on the Grand Mesa. It is a very short trail which is paved for the entire distance, making for a quick and easy hike.



[Map the Trail](#)

[Visit Website](#)

#### Dinner

##### Lost Mesa Grill

A small-town restaurant with big-time flavor serving lunch, dinner and weekend breakfast. Dishes include everything from upscale tater tots, enticing...

[Read More](#)

[Visit Website](#)

#### Activity

##### Stoney Mesa Winery

At Stoney Mesa Winery, wine is the product of passion and love for farming. One of Colorado's oldest wineries, Stoney Mesa Winery was...

[Read More](#)

[Visit Website](#)

#### Lodging

##### Alexander Lake Lodge

With a history dating back to the mid 1890s, Alexander Lake Lodge has become of a landmark in its own right! Cabins are available for rent...

[Read More](#)

[Visit Website](#)

Day

3

#### Breakfast

##### Sugar Mama's Bakeshop and Cafe

Enjoy Cedaredge's full-service coffee bar and bakery serving made-from-scratch pastries and breads.

[Read More](#)

[Visit Website](#)

#### Activity

##### Guided SUP Tour at Alexander Lake Lodge

Have breakfast in your cabin before heading out on a stand-up paddleboard tour on the lodge's peaceful lake.

[Visit Website](#)

#### Lunch

##### Connie's Family Restaurant

Missing home? Connie's has got you covered. Stop by for some homestyle country fried chicken or a gooey cinnamon role for the road.

[Read More](#)

[Visit Website](#)

## Activity

### Mountain Bike the Mesa Top Trail

Hit the singletrack on this popular new trail, with a relatively flat elevation.



[Map the Trail](#)  
[Visit Website](#)

## Dinner

### Lost Mesa Grill

A small-town restaurant with big-time flavor serving lunch, dinner and weekend breakfast. Dishes include everything from upscale tater tots, enticing...

[Read More](#)

[Visit Website](#)

### Insider's Tip

#### Back to the Lodge

Settle in for dessert and a cozy night around a campfire.

## Lodging

### Alexander Lake Lodge

With a history dating back to the mid 1890s, Alexander Lake Lodge has become of a landmark in its own right! Cabins are available for rent...

[Read More](#)

[Visit Website](#)