

Fall Colors, Hot Springs & Quiet Mountain Towns

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Fall is the perfect time to visit the San Juan Mountains and quiet Colorado mountain towns of Ouray and Ridgway. Situated at the base of the northern San Juans and just 11 miles apart, Ridgway and Ouray are your long-weekend escape.

Sustainability Activity
How to Give Back to These Special Places

Donate or volunteer with the [Ouray Trail Group](#), our local nonprofit dedicated to the preservation and safe public use of Ouray County's trails.

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Activity
Take a Scenic Drive

Get an early start and drive up to the Cimarron Mountains just east of Ridgway. The drive up to Owl Creek Pass is 18 miles on a 2WD gravel road. Enjoy the views of the aspens on your way up. Hiking trails can easily be accessed off this road.



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Lunch

Eatery 66

Please join us for some old time favorites, delicious seasonal specials, craft beers and kombucha on tap, and delicious cocktails and drinks. We can...

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Activity

Rent Bikes at Ridgway Adventure Sports

Take a leisurely bike ride on the Uncompahgre Riverway, a paved trail to the Ridgway Reservoir.



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Dinner

Thai Paradise

Authentic Thai cuisine for lunch and dinner. Great for families, outdoor seating, walk-ins welcome.

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Activity

Chipeta Lodge Resort + Spa

Relaxation meets adventure at Chipeta Lodge. Explore the region's offerings, like Jeeping, hiking, mine tours, shopping, snowshoeing and skiing...

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Insider's Tip

Stay the Night

After your soak, book a classically designed adobe suite at Chipeta Solar Springs Resort for your overnight stay.

Day

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Breakfast

Kate's Place

Cuisine with heart and soul, freshly prepared using the highest quality ingredients (local when feasible).

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Activity

Immerse Yourself in Fall Colors

Take another scenic drive up the 2WD section of Camp Bird Road, CR 361 and hike the Weehawken Trail.



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Lunch

Outlaw Restaurant

The Outlaw Restaurant still has the same sign hung in 1969. Those who return come back with happy memories of the past, while newcomers take away...

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Activity

Ouray Hot Springs Swimming Pool

Nearly one million gallons of clear hot springs water, without the sulfur smell common in many hot springs. There are 3 pools ranging from 80 to...

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Dinner

Brickhouse 737

BrickHouse737 is a gathering place that focuses on community, farm fresh ingredients, hospitality & travel inspired dishes.

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Activity

Go for an Evening Stroll

In downtown Ouray, follow the historic walking tour and discover a wide variety of local shops.

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Lodging

Twin Peaks Lodge & Hot Springs

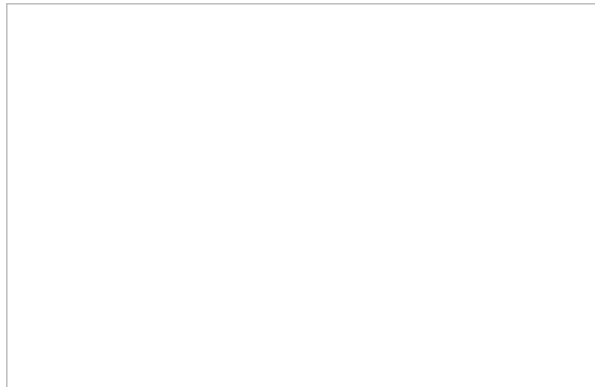
Enjoy comfort, luxury and many amenities! Indoor and outdoor hot springs, free full breakfast, air-conditioned rooms and jeep rentals available...

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Day

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Breakfast

Ouray Cafe & Steakhouse

Ouray Cafe and Steakhouse serves all the great meals you would expect. Prime rib, omlets and the Super Nacho Platter are some of the really yummy...

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Activity

Ironton Ghost Town

Explore the ghost town of Ironton surrounded by aspen groves and the San Juan Mountains.

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Lunch

Artisan Bakery

Come enjoy breakfast, lunch, or just a pastry and coffee, in a cozy little restaurant on main street, Ouray CO. Located at the south side of town,...

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Mountain Trip

Peak Mountain Guides is now part of the Mountain Trip family, an AMGA accredited company. Contact us for information on international expeditions,...

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Dinner

Provisions at the Barbershop

A European-style cafe specializing in simple, delicious food made with fresh ingredients sourced from local farmers when possible and distributors...

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Orvis Hot Springs

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Lodging

Basecamp 550

Basecamp 550 is a Glampground for the modern gypsy, weekend jetsetter or outdoor adventure seeker looking for a comfortable and convenient place...

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