



Ridgway: Explore, Restore & Recreate Away From the Crowds

3 days

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Get your fill of adventure, relaxation and seclusion in this historic mountain town, surrounded by the San Juan and Cimarron mountains.

## Sustainability Activity

### Support The Sherbino:

Volunteers can help support The Sherbino, a historic theater in Ridgway that puts on nearly 200 events each year. Find ways to [get involved or donate](#).

## Insider's Tip

### Trash Your Trash:

Be sure to use the animal-resistant garbage and recycling cans around town to throw away your trash, so bears and other wildlife are not attracted to the downtown area. Making trash accessible to wildlife leads to dangerous encounters, and may end with the wildlife being killed to ensure public safety.

Day 1

## ACTIVITY

## Ridgway Creative District

Home to the filming of John Wayne's "True Grit," the GRAMMY Awards, and one of Colorado's first Certified Creative Districts and part of the Colorado Creative Corridor, Ridgway's glorious...

## LUNCH

## Taco Del Gnar Ridgway

An "elevated fast food restaurant" with the mantra that a tortilla is solely a vessel to sail fresh thought-provoking cuisine with amazing flavors to your mouth.

## ACTIVITY

### **RIGS Fly Shop & Guide Service**

RIGS Fly Shop & Guide Service features the regions finest [Fly Shop](#) , [Fish...](#)

#### **Insider's Tip**

##### **The Reel Deal:**



The [Colorado Parks & Wildlife fishing app](#) can help you discover 1,300 fishing locations, check conditions and regulations and more. Search CPW Fishing in the Apple App Store and on Google Play.

## DINNER

### **Colorado Boy Pub & Brewery**

A wee humble pub in a wonderful 1915 brick building in the old section of downtown Ridgway. The brewery is in full view from the antique oak bar, so that you can watch the brewing process while...

## ACTIVITY

### **The Sherbino**

The Sherbino is owned and operated by the Ridgway Chautauqua Society. Our venue has connected minds, hearts, and community for over a century. Today the Sherb is a highly-energized anchor in...

## LODGING

### **Ridgway-Ouray Lodge & Suites**

Quite possibly the best two-diamond property in Colorado. The four seasons offer a variety of activities for our guests. The lodge is well situated at the intersection of highways 550 "the San...

Day 2

## **BREAKFAST**

### **Crumb Bakery and Cafe**

Bakery, cafe and market in Ridgway. Frittatas, bagels, potato pancakes, scones, artisan breads and much more.

## **ACTIVITY**

### **Bike or Hike Along the Historic Railroad Bed**

Cooler temperatures mean enjoying trails. From downtown Ridgway, hike or bike along the historic railroad bed of the former Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad corridor. This well-maintained concrete trail is 5.1 miles one way, so it will be a 10.2-mile round trip (about 3.5 hours by foot or 70 minutes by bike). You will cross over a picturesque, restored railroad trestle (bridge), follow the scenic Uncompahgre River through typical high-desert landscapes, and travel through Dennis Weaver Memorial Park, 60 acres of permanent wildlife preserve with a picnic area and sculptures.

## **LUNCH**

### **Thai Paradise**

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

## **ACTIVITY**

### **Chipeta Solar Springs Resort**

Chipeta Solar Springs Resort and Spa - Where relaxation meets adventure. Enjoy the solitude and beautiful San Juan Gateway views from your classically designed adobe suite. Then venture out and...

#### **Insider's Tip**

**Spa Stay:** Book a room so after enjoying Chipeta's full-service spa and soaking in the thermal pools, you can return after dinner for an overnight stay at this resort retreat.

## **DINNER**

### **Four Corners Cafe**

Four Corners Cafe and Sky Bar at Chipeta Solar Springs Resort is the perfect place to dine al fresco with incredible views from the Sky Bar on our upper deck.

## **ACTIVITY**

## **Cafe Ridgway a la Mode**

Ice cream in the mountains! Sundaes, shakes, floats, cones, hot chocolate, fine teas, Italian sodas, brownies, homemade pretzels, and much more!

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Day 3

### **BREAKFAST**

## **Kate's Place**

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

### **ACTIVITY**

## **Ridgway Railroad Museum**

Ridgway, Colorado, long known as the birthplace of the Rio Grande Southern Railroad, is the home of a museum dedicated to the preservation of the history of railroading in Ouray County and...

### **LUNCH**

## **True Grit Cafe**

We take a lot of pride in our homemade fare including the best dang chicken fried steak this side of the Rocky Mountains.

### **ACTIVITY**

## **Take a Hike With Stellar Views**

For hikers, drive up to Loghill to enjoy the wonderful valley, mountain and wildlife viewing on the Escarpment Trail (2.5 miles). This is a very easy hike suitable for small children but well worth it for all ages due to the photo opportunities. You will feel like an explorer as you wind your way through pine, scrub oak and cactus, while discovering local wildlife. A small parking area is found at the trailhead; a larger parking area is available at the Log Hill Firehouse, which you'll pass on your way into the development.

### **DINNER**

## **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't wait to share our passion for "farm to trailer..."

### **ACTIVITY**

## **Orvis Hot Springs**

Orvis Hot Springs is a clothing-optional natural hot springs resort. Our natural lithium water, never heated nor treated in any way, enhances relaxation and rejuvenation. Ten indoor and outdoor...

### **LODGING**

## **Ridgway Lofts**

The Ridgway Lofts are located in historic downtown Ridgway in the beautiful Silver San Juan Building. All suites offer luxurious mountain contemporary lodging for the Ouray, Telluride and Ridgway...  
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