



UNICORN TOURS

Peaks & Rails of Colorado

With

4 National Parks

Colorado's Rocky Mountain & Mesa Verde NP

Utah's Arches – Canyonlands NP

2 Scenic Railroads

Durango-Silverton & Royal Gorge Railroads

NON-STOP AIRFARE INCLUDED

September 10-19, 2019

10 Days/9 Nights

By offering Colorado, Unicorn Tours is adding another fantastic western experience to our list of outstanding National Park tours. This 10-day tour of the “Centennial State” is in keeping with our growing reputation for offering tours to the west that are a notch above other touring companies.

Day 1 – Tuesday, September 10

Our late morning NON-STOP flight from Boston Logan arrives in Denver by early afternoon in time for a tour of the “Mile High City” with a Local Guide to see all the wonderful sights of the capital city. A Welcome Dinner is planned in one of the area's popular restaurants. **Welcome Dinner, Overnight Drury Inn, Westminster, CO**

Day 2 – Wednesday, September 11

Today we'll immerse ourselves in the breathtaking natural beauty of Rocky Mountain National Park with sweeping vistas from the park's highest summit at 12,183 feet. . We'll drive the Trail Ridge Road, a designated national scenic byway and the highest continuous paved highway in America, for a head-turning journey through a beautiful alpine wonderland. Keep a sharp eye out for the majestic elk that forage in grassy meadows, as well as moose, eagles, and other wildlife that call the park home. We've selected the perfect spot with an awesome view for our picnic lunch. **B, Box Lunch, Overnight Doubletree Hilton Hotel, Vail, CO**

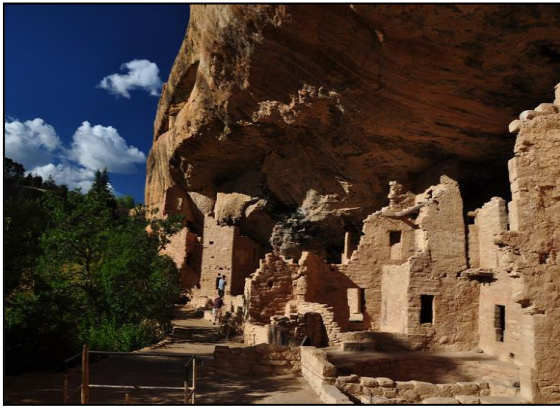
Day 3 – Thursday, September 12

As we continue our “windshield driving tour” through the majestic Rockies, we'll make our way to the Colorado National Monument where the Rockies meet the Grand Mesa and preserves one of the grand landscapes of the American West. Towering monoliths exist within a vast plateau and canyon panorama. You'll experience sheer-walled, red rock canyons along the twists and turns of 23-mile Rim Rock Drive. What a beautiful setting for our special Sunset Dinner tonight. **B, D, 2-Nights Holiday Inn Express & Suites, Grand Junction, CO**

Day 4 – Friday, September 13

Following breakfast, we'll make our way to neighboring Utah for a full day exploring two of the states 5 National Parks. We'll begin with the unique beauty of Arches National Park to see the world's largest concentration of giant natural sandstone arches. Then it's on to nearby Canyonlands National Park with its vast landscape of gorges carved by the mighty Colorado River. The highlight of the day will be visiting Island in the Sky mesa resting on sheer sandstone cliffs rising 1000 feet for the best panoramic view of this majestic terrain. **B**





Day 5 – Saturday, September 14

An incredible day awaits in Mesa Verde National Park, home of the ancient Ancestral Puebloan Civilization. We'll learn how this settlement evolved between 600-1300 CE, thrived for those 700 years then disappeared without a trace! The perfectly preserved dwellings built into the side of a cliff tell the story of the daily life of these early people. There are some 600 homes carved along the cliffs with Cliff Place, the largest dwelling in the park.

We'll arrive in Durango in time for dinner (on own) in one of Colorado's most visited communities for its western ambiance enhanced by the surrounding mountains. Downtown Durango is designated a Nationally Registered Historic District with many restaurants offering local delicacies. **B, 2-Nights La Quinta Inn & Suites, Durango, CO**

Day 6 – Sunday, September 15

Get ready for the experience of a lifetime as we board one of the world's most scenic train ride. Relive the sights and sounds of yesteryear for a spectacular journey on board the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad. The historic train has been in continuous operation between Durango and Silverton since 1882 when it was constructed to haul silver & gold ore from Southwest Colorado's San Juan Mountains, but passengers soon realized it was the view that was truly precious. The vintage coal-fired steam-powered locomotive carries passengers over a 45-mile route through remote canyons not accessible by car. The 4-hour trip begins in Durango to the former silver mining town of Silverton now a National Historic Landmark. Hidden high in the San Juan Mountains, the town blends spectacular scenery with Victorian charm.



You'll have time for lunch and browse the shops before a tour of a gold mine where our guide will take us deep underground to learn about the work day of the miners and how they extracted the precious metals. Following the tour we'll try our hand at panning for gold ourselves! **B**

Day 7 – Monday, September 16

The beautiful drive today will take us over spectacular 10,856' Wolf Creek Pass where we cross the Continental Divide on our journey to Colorado Springs. It would take pioneers 2-3 weeks to cross this rugged country. Colorado Springs is the state's 2nd largest city and we'll visit the historic district for a relaxing dinner (on own). **B, 2- Nights Holiday Inn Express, Colorado Springs, CO**



Day 8 – Tuesday, September 17

We'll start our busy day with a visit to the United States Air Force Academy and Cadet Chapel, the most recognizable building at the Academy and the most visited man-made tourist attraction in Colorado. This aluminum, glass and steel structure features 17 spires that shoot 150 feet into the sky. It is considered among the most beautiful examples of modern American academic architecture.

Get ready this afternoon for another memorable train ride aboard the Royal Gorge Railroad that follows the tumbling Arkansas River deep within the soaring 1000-foot granite cliffs of Colorado's grandest canyon. Our reserved Vista Dome seat offers the best viewing for this awesome 3-hour journey. Sit back, relax and enjoy a delicious Box Lunch as spectacular scenery rolls by.

A real cowboy experience is planned for this evening at a popular western BBQ Dinner with live musical entertainment.

B, Box Lunch, Western BBQ Dinner Show



Day 9 – Wednesday, September 18

Following breakfast, we'll visit The World Figure Skating Museum & Hall of Fame located on the grounds of the famous Broadmoor Resort. Re-live skating's magical moments through films and photographs, and enjoy an incomparable collection of skating costumes of your favorite male & female Olympic Gold Medal recipients.

Next we'll head to nearby Garden of the Gods with massive rocks of red, pink and white jutting out of the ground, set against the backdrop of majestic Pikes Peak. This National Natural Landmark attracts over 400,000 visitors each year.

Note: Due to the Cog RR closed for renovations, we will not be able to travel to the summit of Pikes Peak (buses not allowed on Pikes Peak Highway).

We'll arrive back in Denver in time to visit the Central Market for dinner (on own). **B, Overnight SpringHill Suites, Denver Airport**

Day 10 – Thursday, September 19

Following breakfast, we'll depart for our flight home with wonderful memories of our journey through majestic Colorado. **B**



United Airlines NON STOP Flight Information:

Tuesday, September 10, 2019

11:46am - Depart Boston Logan

2:20pm – Arrive Denver Airport

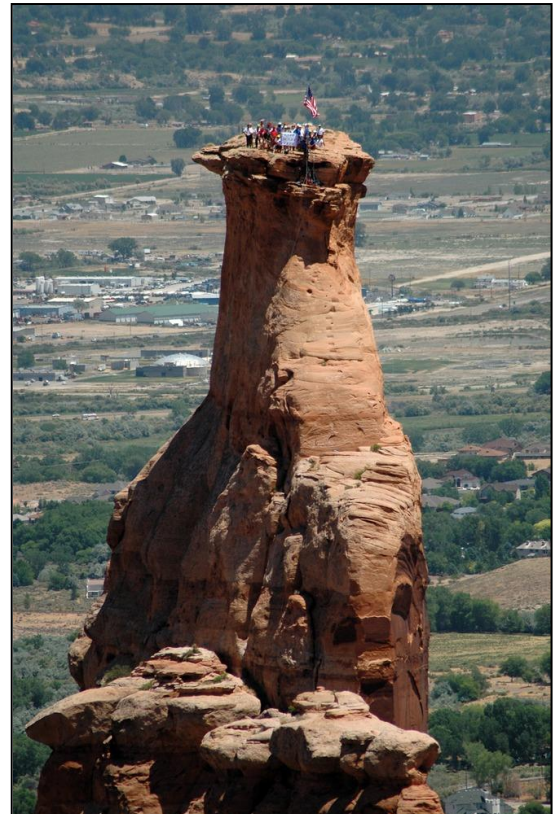
Return Thursday, September 19, 2019

11:06am – Depart Denver Airport

4:50pm – Arrive Boston Logan

Included in Unicorn Tours Package:

- Roundtrip Airfare
- Roundtrip Transportation to & from Logan Airport from Unicorn Tours three pick-up locations
- Fully Escorted from Boston by Professional Tour Director Mary Lou Zirnheld
- All Taxes and Baggage Handling
- 9 Nights Deluxe Accommodations:
 - 1-Night Drury Inn – Westminster, CO
 - 1-Night Doubletree Hotel – Vail, CO
 - 2-Nights Holiday Inn Express & Suites – Grand Junction, CO
 - 2-Nights La Quinta Inn & Suites – Durango, CO
 - 2-Nights Holiday Inn Express – Colorado Springs, CO
 - 1-Night SpringHill Inn & Suites – Denver Airport
- 14 Meals: 9 Breakfasts – 2 Box Lunches – 3 Dinners (Includes Western BBQ Dinner Show)
- Denver City Tour with Local Guide



- **Admissions:**
 4 National Parks: Rocky Mountain & Mesa Verde (Colorado) - Arches & Canyonlands (Utah)
 Colorado National Monument
 Durango – Silverton Railroad (4 hours)
 Royal Gorge Railroad (3 hours) – Reserved Vista Dome Car
 Old Hundred Gold Mine Guided Tour & Gold Panning
 United States Air Force Academy Cadet Chapel
 World Figure Skating Museum & Hall of Fame at Broadmoor Resort
 Garden of the Gods National Natural Landmark
- Evening at leisure in Vail, Durango, Colorado Springs & Denver

NOT Included in your tour package: Gratuities for Airport Transfer Drivers, Colorado Driver, Tour Director, Local Guides and Hotel Housekeeping

**\$200 Deposit due with booking (refundable up until May 15, 2019)
 Final Non-Refundable Payment Due August 10, 2019**

Cost per person: \$2999 Double - \$ 2799 Triple - \$2699 Quad - \$3799 Single

Trip Cancellation Insurance is available and recommended to protect your travel investment
 Call office for information 978-256-6559

NOTE: At time of booking please provide name exactly as it appears on photo ID you will use at the airport (ticket must match photo ID) and **Date of Birth.**

Make checks payable: Unicorn Tours, Inc
 Your canceled check is your confirmation

	<u>Departure</u>	<u>Return</u>
Chelmsford	7:00 am	7:30 pm
No. Andover Mall	7:15 am	6:45 pm
Haverhill	7:30 am	7:00 pm

A minimum of 20 passengers required for trip to be guaranteed

