

GREAT TRAINS OF COLORADO

Colorado & New Mexico Rail Adventure 9 Days, July 23-31, 2027

Colorado offers two treasures that travelers have cherished for generations: some of the most spectacular scenery in North America and a collection of legendary train rides born from the state's rich mining and logging history. Now imagine experiencing these breathtaking routes through the Old West while enjoying fine hotels and dining with the ease of small-group touring. Then add one more irresistible highlight—a visit to the enchanting city of Santa Fe, New Mexico. This holiday is designed not just to be memorable, *but unforgettable.*

Your journey begins in Denver, with a welcoming downtown hotel so you can settle in comfortably and start your adventure without the stress of tight connections or last-minute worries. From there, the magic begins. As we head west, you'll experience a curated series of incredibly scenic train rides, each more captivating than the last. Along the way, enjoy fine hotel stays, generous free time, and remarkable destinations such as historic Leadville, the stunning beauty of Grand Mesa, and the Old West town of Durango, where the frontier spirit still echoes.

Then come the crown jewels of the trip: the famed Durango & Silverton and the Cumbres & Toltec Railroads—both consistently ranked among the best train journeys in the world. These rides aren't just scenic; they're breathtaking, immersive, and truly once-in-a-lifetime experiences.

When you combine this outstanding itinerary with thoughtful inclusions, an unhurried pace, and the magic of Santa Fe, you have a holiday that stands in a class of its own. Opportunities like this don't last long—*this program will sell out quickly.*

All aboard!

Enjoy some of the greatest views in the West along with legendary train rides including the famed Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad with fine hotels and small group touring. And with two nights in stunning Santa Fe, NM.

HIGHLIGHTS

Small-group travel at its finest — fully escorted by a professional tour manager and limited to 14 travelers for a more personal experience.

Begin your trip in Denver and end it in Albuquerque, cities with good airline and train service.

Carefully chosen hotels, all with breakfast included daily. Many of our stays are two-nights long.

Four great train rides including the **Georgetown Loop Railroad**, the **Leadville, Colorado & Southern Railroad**, the **Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad** and the **Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad**. *Three of these are behind steam.*

Wonderful dining with lunch or dinner many days including a western chuckwagon dinner one evening and a farewell dinner in Santa Fe

Epic sightseeing with visits to **Leadville, Colorado**, a **winery tasting** near Grand Junction, a tour to **Grand Mesa**, the largest flat-topped mountain in the world.

Two nights in enchanting Santa Fe, New Mexico, with sightseeing and plenty of free time.

All admission fees included — parks, attractions, and special experiences are covered for true peace of mind.



UNCOMMON JOURNEYS

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ITINERARY

Day 1 Arrive in Denver, Colorado

Arrive in the "Mile High City" and transfer to your centrally located hotel. Enjoy a relaxed evening to settle in or stroll through downtown Denver's lively restaurant and shopping districts. *Hyatt Place, or similar.*

Day 2 Silverthorne, Colorado B D

Depart Denver this morning for a scenic drive into the Rockies. Experience a classic narrow-gauge journey aboard the Georgetown Loop Railroad, a marvel of 19th-century engineering winding through steep mountain canyons. Continue to Silverthorne for a two night stay, surrounded by alpine beauty. *Cambria Hotel at Copper Mountain, or similar.*

Day 3 Leadville, Colorado B

This morning's short journey takes us to historic Leadville. Board the Leadville, Colorado & Southern Railroad for sweeping views of the Arkansas River Valley and the towering peaks of the San Isabel National Forest. Return to Silverthorne for another comfortable night in the Rockies.

Day 4 Grand Junction, Colorado B L

Travel across Colorado's high country, explore the Grand Mesa, the world's largest flat-top mountain, for incredible views and photo opportunities. Later, visit a local winery in the Grand Junction area before checking into your hotel for the night. *Doubletree by Hilton, or similar.*

Day 5 Durango, Colorado B L

Enjoy a scenic journey south through rugged canyons and high desert landscapes as we make our way to Durango, one of Colorado's most charming mountain

towns. Check in for a two-night stay and enjoy an evening at leisure in Durango's historic downtown. *Strater Hotel, or similar.*

Day 6 Durango, Colorado B D

Step back in time on one of America's most famous train rides — the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad. Travel along the Animas River through deep gorges and pristine wilderness, surrounded by majestic peaks. Return to Durango for another night of western hospitality.

Day 7 Santa Fe, New Mexico B

Depart Durango for Chama, New Mexico, where we enjoy a midday excursion aboard the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad, a true engineering masterpiece that winds between Colorado and New Mexico. Later, continue by motorcoach to Santa Fe, arriving in the early evening for a two-night stay. *Inn of the Governors, or similar.*

Day 8 Santa Fe, New Mexico B D

Explore the charm of Santa Fe, a city rich in art, culture, and history. Visit the Plaza, Loretto Chapel, and San Miguel Mission, or browse galleries and boutiques at leisure. This evening, enjoy a farewell dinner celebrating our journey through the Southwest.

Day 9 Homeward Bound B

Transfer to Albuquerque AMTRAK or airport for homeward flights, taking with you lasting memories of mountain railways, stunning vistas, and the unique spirit of the Southwest.

FARES

Double occupancy	\$4,995 PP
Single occupancy	\$5,995

SCENIC TRAIN RIDES

GEORGETOWN LOOP RAILROAD

Built in 1888 for mining, this scenic narrow gauge railroad features breathtaking views, steep canyons, and Clear Creek.

LEADVILLE, COLORADO & SOUTHERN RAILROAD

This lovely ride features views of the rushing Arkansas River, high mountain peaks and San Isabel National Forest.

DURANGO & SILVERTON NARROW GAUGE RAILROAD

This is a favorite of many travelers with amazing views of the Animas River and majestic San Juan Mountains, this amazing trip has been voted the #1 Scenic train ride in America two years in a row for good reason.

CUMBRES & TOLTEC SCENIC RAILROAD

Another fabled train trip behind steam on America's longest and highest narrow gauge railroad with astonishing vistas, our gateway to Santa Fe.

BOOKING REQUIREMENTS

A 35% deposit of the Total Fare is required to confirm reservations aboard any tour or program. After 5 days, confirmed reservations without deposit will be automatically cancelled by our reservation system. Final Payment is due 120 days prior to the departure date. Payment by American Express, VISA, MasterCard, Discover Card, or check is accepted. Cancellation penalties do apply and for this reason trip cancellation insurance is recommended. Trip insurance is available at a modest cost and additional information may be obtained from your travel professional or the insurance carrier of your choice. We strongly suggest that you purchase travel insurance to cover 100% of your tour cost as there are no exceptions to the cancellation penalties. CST20447949-40. For details about cancellation as well as terms & conditions, please visit <https://uncommonjourneys.com/terms-conditions/>

