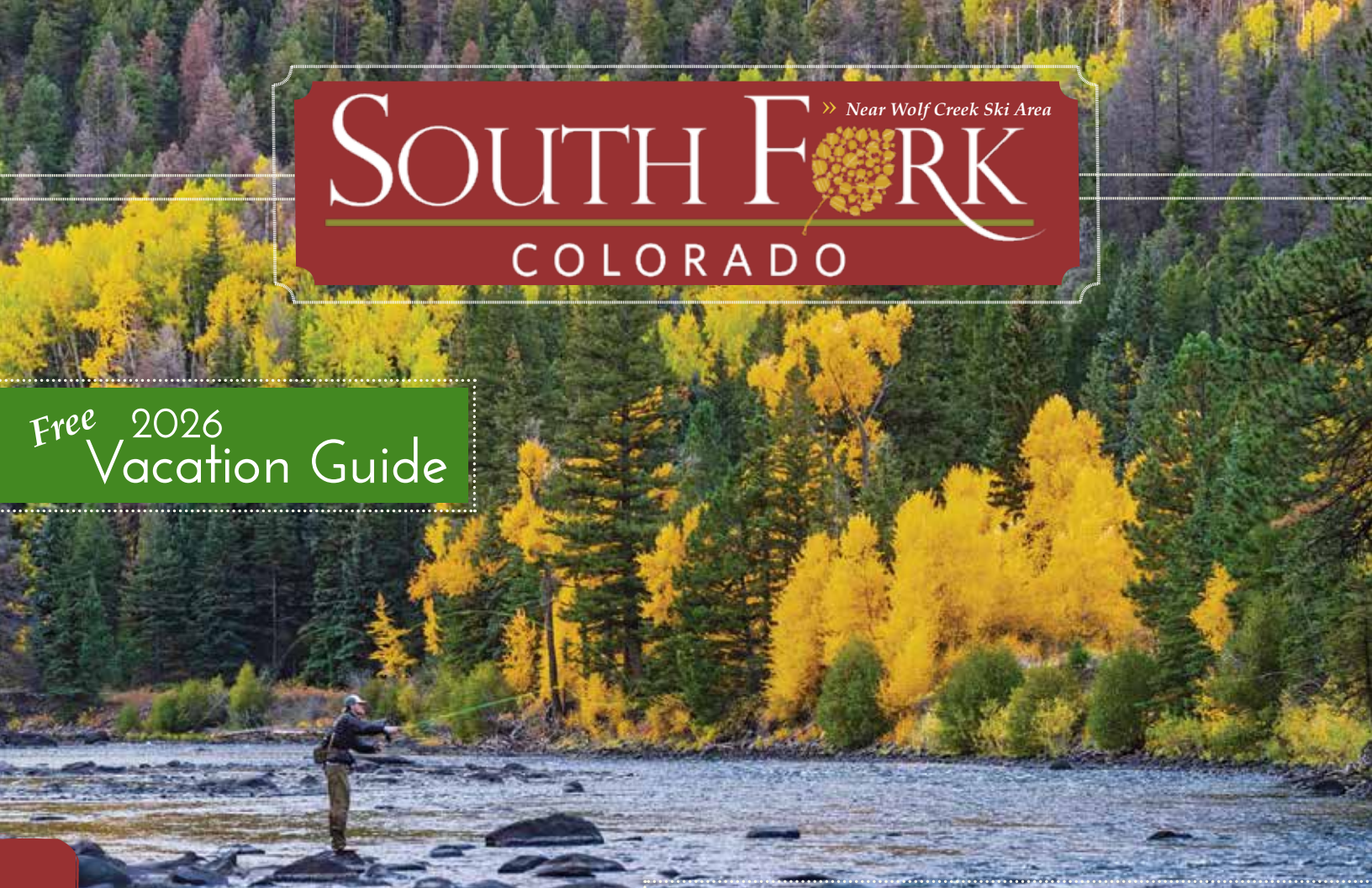




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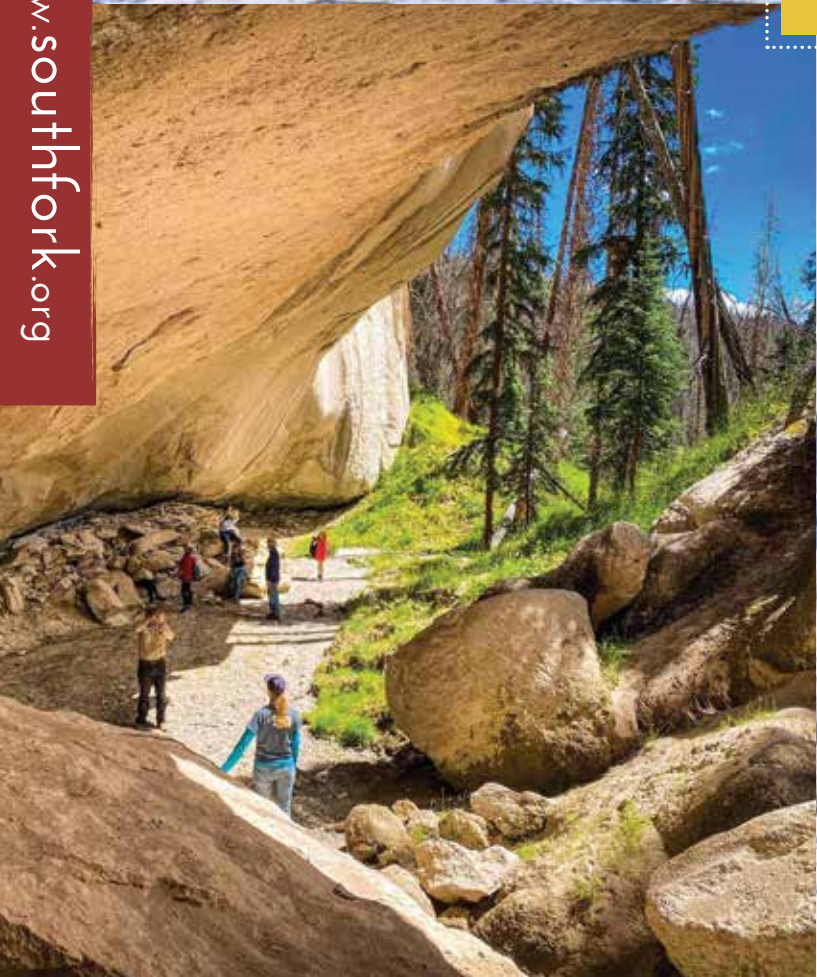
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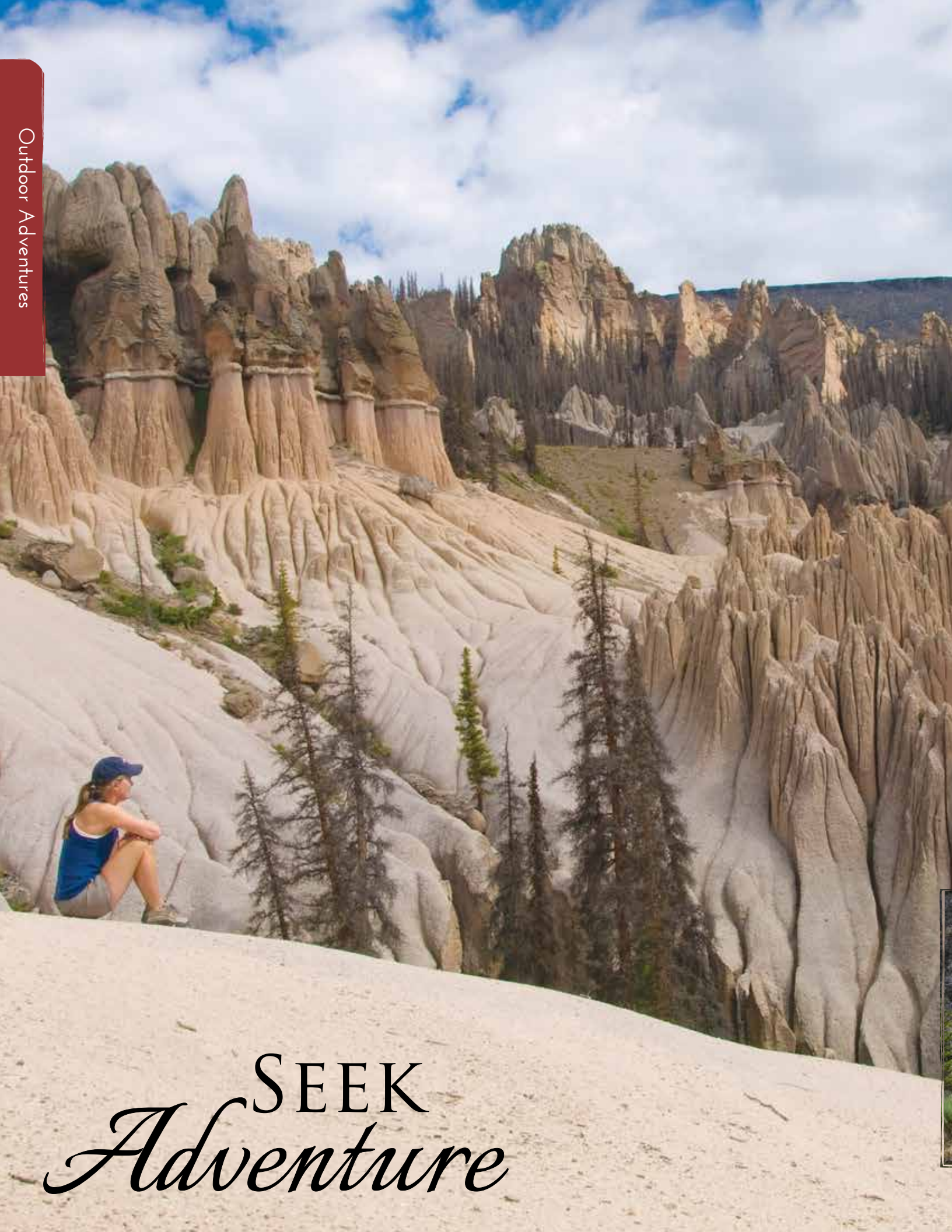
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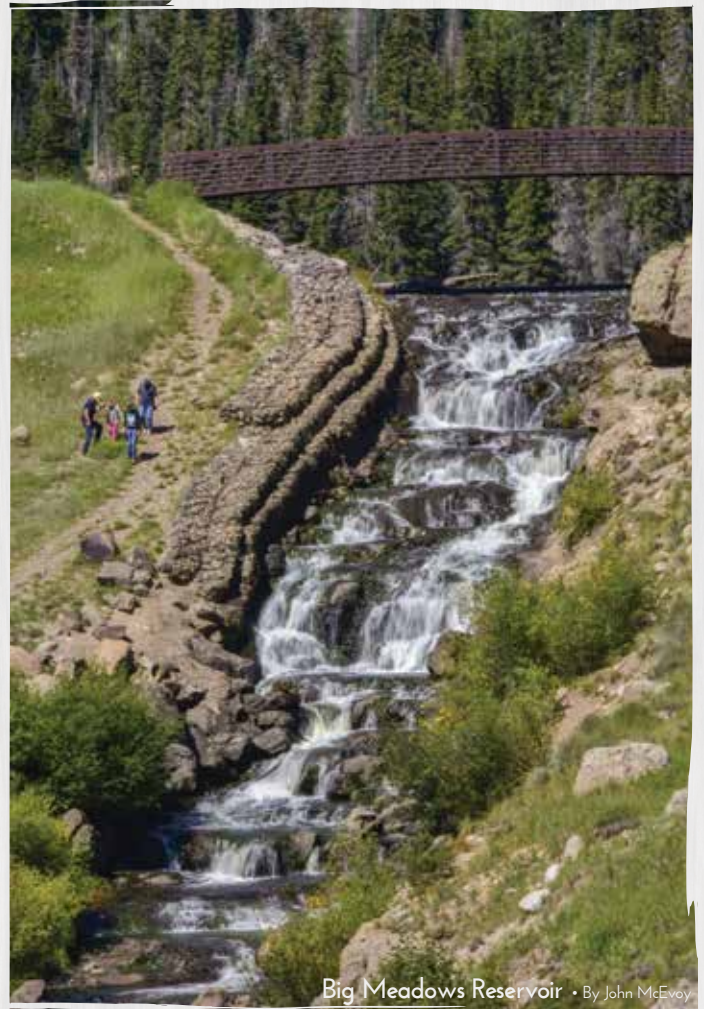
Take Hwy 160 southwest of town 12 miles and turn right on FSR 410 to Big Meadows Reservoir, a 600-acre lake with a spillway waterfall, boat ramp, fishing pier and amenities. This area is a delight to campers, fisherman, hikers, and boaters alike, and is a state wildlife area, where deer, bear and moose are easy to spot.

Depending on road conditions, you may choose to continue past Big Meadows for 3 miles to Shaw Lake. If you still have a few hours of daylight, drive an additional 11 miles to the parking area for a short walk into Hunter's Lake. A nice 1-mile hiking trail circles the lake and gives fishermen access to the trout swimming in its waters.

Beaver Creek Reservoir & Poage Lake

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Go south of town on Hwy 160 and turn left on Beaver Creek Road. Follow this road for 7 miles to the Beaver Creek Reservoir. Fish, boat or just admire the scenery. Great creek fishing stretches below the dam for several miles. Continue on this road another 13 miles to Poage Lake. A short 1/4-mile hike gets you to the banks of the picturesque lake. Back-track to the turnoff, and the route also continues on to Summitville and loops back through Del Norte, for a full day's trip.



Big Meadows Reservoir • By John McEvoy



Photo Courtesy Mountain Skillz / Matt Entz

ATV & Jeeping

Looking for adventure, but less work than hiking or biking? Try any of the trails designated for motorized traffic. Trails take you to mountain peaks and amazing vistas of the San Luis Valley, to creek bottoms and dense forest growth. No matter your skill level, beginners to advanced riders will find limitless possibilities. Best time to travel the trails is June - November, depending on snow conditions. See pages 32 & 33 for map of nearby trails. Obtain large map, trail descriptions, and rules/regs from the South Fork Visitor Center.

Camping

The area offers tons of camping opportunities. Whether you stay in a camper trailer, tent, or rough-it under the stars, you are sure to find the perfect location. Almost 2

million acres of national forest surrounds South Fork, and approximately 17 campgrounds have been developed along highways 149 and 160. Most accommodate both camper trailers and tents. Developed campgrounds offer limited amenities and visitors are allowed to stay up to 14 days. Learn more at www.recreation.gov

Mountain Biking

The Rio Grande National Forest is filled with riding opportunities for beginner and advanced riders. Several trails are within a couple miles drive from town, and some are specifically listed as multi-use for bikes...not to mention the hundreds of miles of forest service access roads open to cyclists of all abilities. Many trails are multi use - so be prepared for hikers, horses, and ATV's along the way.



Camping Lounge • By Ryan Scavo



Mountain Biking • By Ryan Graber



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Golfing

South Fork's Exquisite Golf Course

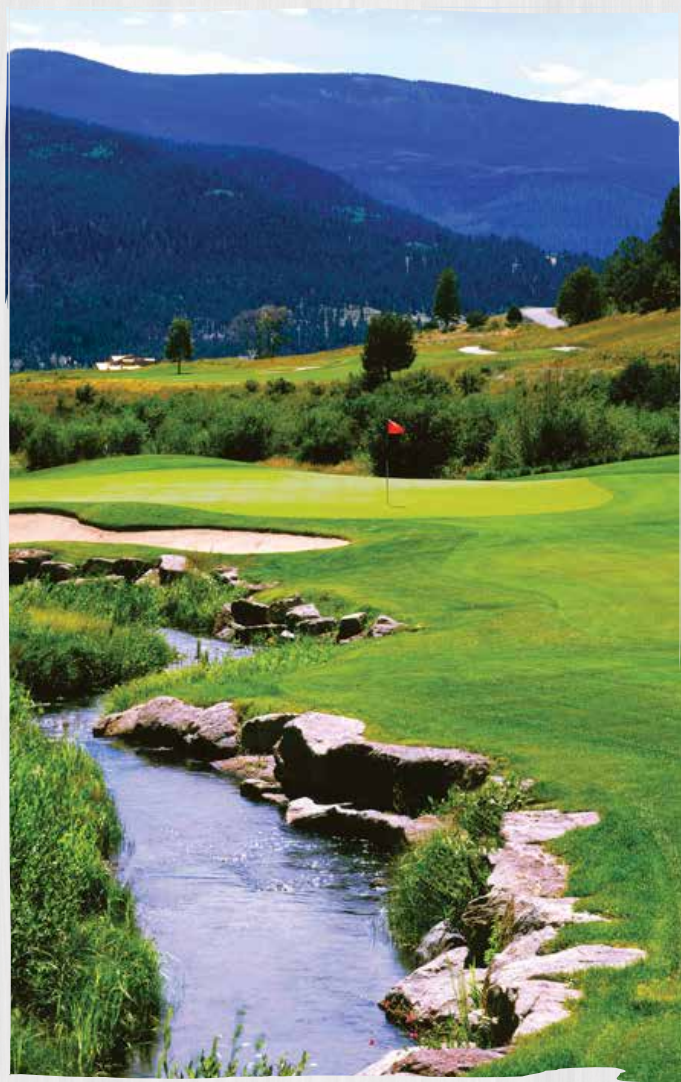
The Rio Grande Club & Resort is an award-winning, 18-hole golf course that borders the Rio Grande National Forest and plays alongside and over the Rio Grande River. The longest par five is a challenging 600 yards, and the course has large stands of cottonwood trees, rugged rock formations and dramatic elevation changes. Six holes on the front nine play along the Rio Grande, offering a unique shot over the river on the number six hole. The back nine alpine holes play at an elevation of over 8,200 feet, through cliffs, fields of wildflowers, native pine and aspen trees, and Alder Creek. Incredible views welcome players to #18, along with a dramatic elevation drop onto a generous fairway. Just a chip and a putt away, and you're headed to the Big River Grill, where the loser buys the first round!

The golf course and restaurants are open to the public. Many tournaments are also open to the public. For info on membership, dining hours & reservations, wedding & event bookings: riograndeclubandresort.com

Explore two more courses in the San Luis Valley, perfect for your next golf vacation.

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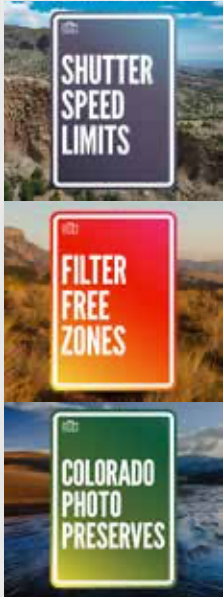
Monte Vista Golf Course: Nicely cared for 9-hole municipal course with cart rentals and clubhouse.



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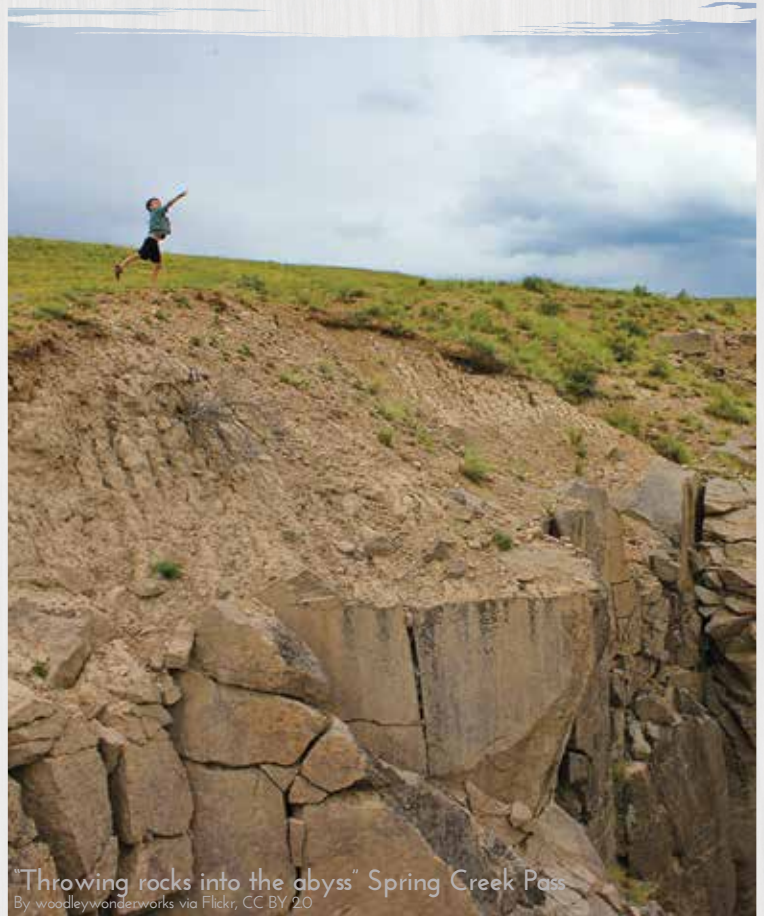


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Wildlife • Surrounded by national forest, spotting wildlife is easy. From bugs to bighorn sheep, you'll see more animals than you can count. Most are active in the early morning and evening, but attentive hikers and drivers may see them anytime. Common sightings include deer, elk, rabbits, and squirrels—so keep your camera ready! Always keep a safe distance. Possible encounters: Big Horn

Wildflowers • Scenic drives reveal a stunning variety of wildflowers along roadsides, meadows, and aspen groves. Colors range from pale yellow to vivid reds and purples. Note, our San Juan Mountains are known for their diverse aster/sunflower species. Please leave flowers for all to enjoy—snap a picture instead!

Hunting *in South Fork is classified as BIG*

Elk • Deer • Moose • Black Bear • Big Horn Sheep
Antelope • Mountain Lion • Turkey • Coyotes
Small Game • Waterfowl

In the early fall, the public lands around South Fork are popular with bow, black powder and rifle hunters. Whether it be a 'guys trip' to the mountains, a father-daughter educational expedition, or a chance to explore the National Forest on horseback, hunting in the area is always an adventure! Local guides and supply stores offer tips about licensing, hot-spots, camping spots and more. Lodging provides a soft place to land after a full day in the back country!

Hunting not only provides people with a unique recreational experience, but also works as an important wildlife management tool. Big Game licenses are distributed each year on a lottery system, with the number of tags determined by current wildlife management informa-

Birds • Don't forget to bring your binoculars! Our 260+ species of birds range from shy, modest little brown birds to dramatic, colorful eagles, hawks and hummingbirds. Wild turkeys walk through our snowy yards and roost in nearby pines. A few dippers perform in the Rio Grande and its South Fork, within town limits. The night-songs of owls bewilder with haunting tunes from the forest. Birds-galore show off their colors: bluebirds, hummingbirds, eagles, and jays from shiny black to gray and metallic blue. Soaring predators and flitting prey provide drama, and feeders in town offer a likely sighting from the seat of your car!



Learn More

Mushrooms • Mushroom hunting is always a lesson in patience. The mountains create a variety of mushroom habitats. Common but sporadic July rain showers create just the right amount



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of humidity and moisture required for a good mushroom crop! Our high altitude is perfect for two popular mushrooms, the Chanterelles and Boletus. Get insider tips and directions to good hunting spots from the Visitor Center.



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tion. Over-the-counter licenses are also available for many species, but most have a limited season and/or bag limits. For more info on our three hunting units (76, 79 and 80) and more than 100 huntable species, visit cpw.state.co.us

A scenic photograph of a person fly fishing in a river. The person is standing in the water, wearing a light blue shirt, dark vest, and waders. They are holding a fishing rod, and the line is cast into the water. A large, ancient-looking tree with thick, gnarled branches and dense foliage of yellow and green leaves dominates the left side of the frame. The background shows a rocky riverbank and more trees under a clear blue sky. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and scenic, capturing the essence of outdoor recreation in nature.

Fishing
THE GOLD MEDAL WATERS



Floating the Gold Medal Waters • By Ryan Scavo

Floating the Rio

No river is more enjoyable to float and fly fish in summer than the Rio Grande. It begins in the alpine mountains above Creede, flowing through South Fork to the valley floor at Del Norte. This stretch holds one of the Southwest's most pristine, underdeveloped rivers. Rainbows and browns abound, with many tributaries joining along the way. The South Fork/Creede area is perfect for a first-time float trip. Fishing guru A.D. Dalton outlines our favorite float:

Floating our Gold Medal Waters

A great starting point for floating through South Fork is Lower Coller, a boat put-in just past Masonic Park and a state-designated Wildlife Area—perfect for spotting elk or deer sipping from the Rio.

This adventure takes you through all the good stuff! After putting in at Lower Coller (public access) you will immediately find yourself floating onto private land belonging to the Mason's – view their “Masonic lodges” all along the Rio for about a mile. Strangely, this is the only spot on the river where it is legal to keep a rainbow trout - you conspiracy buffs can do the research to figure out why! This is also one of the last floatable sections when the water gets low in the fall. The float meanders through a few quaint neighborhoods of fishing cabins but mostly enjoys the quiet solitude of cottonwoods, aspens, spruce and pine trees dominating the mountain side.

The hamlet of South Fork six miles down from the put-in



Fly Fishing • By Ryan Scavo

is a oasis on the east side of the Continental Divide. As you float under the Hwy 149 bridge, you are officially in Gold Medal Waters. (See current fishing regulations for Gold Medal Waters). Floating through downtown takes you past the beautiful Rio Grande Club and Golf Course, with some of the area's most luxurious stay-and-play amenities. It's in these waters that the BIG trout hang out – enjoying deep rock pools and slow-moving water. Big dries or drifting with nymphs -- either way its great fishing every time. The float ends at Franke Excavation/ CR 19 with a small take-out located on the north side.

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The Great Sand Dunes



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A Sea of Sand

Across the San Luis Valley and against the backdrop of rugged peaks, the Great Sand Dunes provide a stunning sight to behold. Over 30 square miles of dunes appear as a “sea of sand” against the nearly vertical face of the 14,000-foot Sangre de Cristo Mountains. These unique dunes, created by the continuous work of water and wind moving sand, provide a recreation area unlike any other. Medano Creek flows seasonally at the base of the dunes, providing a place where visitors enjoy sand, water and sun in a spectacular mountain setting. Climb the “High Dune,” nearly 700 feet above the valley floor, and sand board or “sled” back down! Before leaving the park, be sure to visit Zapata Falls. A half-mile hike leads uphill to an intriguing waterfall. If you wish to spend a little more time in the area, we recommend a stop by the Colorado Gator Farm, where you may view and feed over 400 gators as well as dozens of pythons, turtles, rattlers, iguanas, dragons, geckos, parrots, tortoises, and more. Learn more at www.nps.gov/grsa - Approximately 80 miles from South Fork.



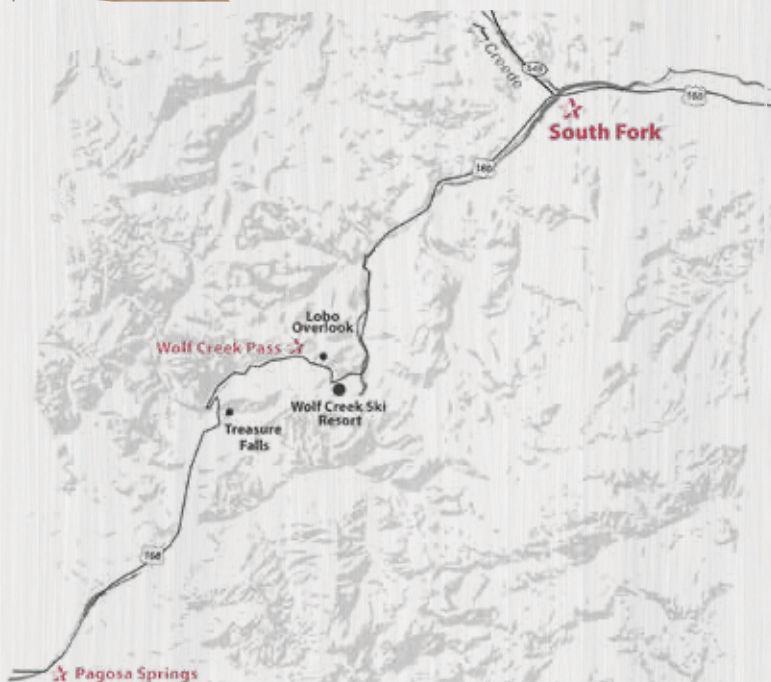
Wolf Creek Pass to Pagosa Springs

This day trip will take you on a dramatic adventure to the top of the world, on a hunt for lost treasure, and at last to an epic natural hot springs to soak it all in...

Head out of town on Hwy 160, tuning your Spotify to CW McCall’s humorous song “Wolf Creek Pass,” in which an out of control truck driver attempts to navigate the steep and winding road. Just past the ski area, you reach the summit and the top of the Continental Divide. For a view from the top-of-the-top, take a side tour to the Lobo Overlook. A steep 5 miles gets you high atop Thunder Mountain and provides



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Hiking at Penitente State Park

Penitente Canyon & La Garita Arch

Experience the Power of Place

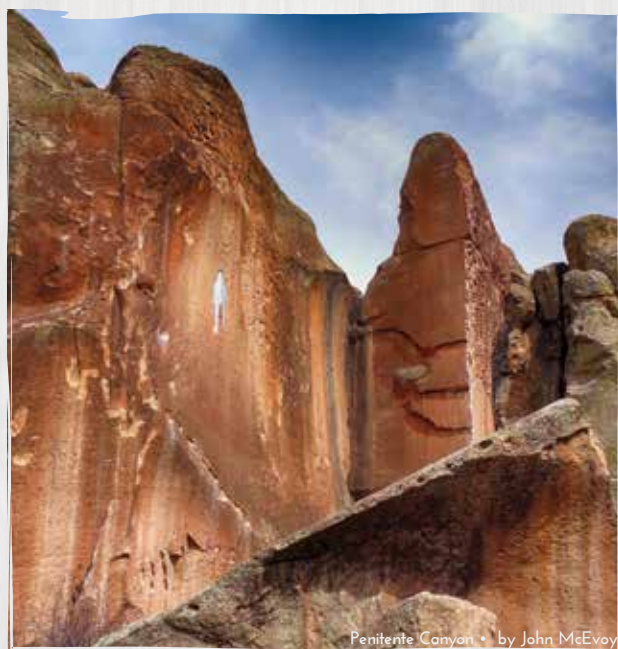
Grab breakfast in town before heading east towards the San Luis Valley. To take the “scenic route” east, turn off at the Ute Bluff Lodge onto CR 19, cross the mighty Rio Grande and follow CR 15 as it snakes along the river, through scenic ranches and farmland for about fifteen miles. Consider a detour at Colonel Pfeiffer’s Grave, land granted to him by the Native Utes. Pass Indian Head and other striking rock formations. Zigzag south-east-north just before getting onto CO 112 and travel north along the outer edge of the Valley for just over 2 miles. Turn onto CR33/38A.

You will first take an 11 mile round-trip expedition to see the Arch, or La Ventana (Spanish for “window”), one of southern Colorado’s most unusual natural formations. Note the area’s interesting geology: about 33 million years ago during a period of explosive volcanic activity, large amounts of volcanic debris and ash were ejected into the air. Heat and pressure formed the ash into very hard rock, with the softer material eroding over millions. What we see today is The Arch, carved out of a volcanic dike; nearby arches show similar weathering.

To see the Natural Arch: Take a left off of Rd 33/38A onto FS 660/Rd A32. Follow this road for 4.1 miles. Take FS 659/ Rd 35C and go another 1.6 miles north.

Return to Road 38A and continue north-bound to Penitente Canyon, a designated Special Recreation Area.

For the sight-seer, hiker and history buff: Take the short hike up to the Wagon Wheel ruts, along the Old Spanish Trail which served as a pack-animal route for mid-1800s traders traveling west to California. Wander through unusual canyons in search of the San Luis Valley’s largest collection of pictographs. Most is the work of indigenous peoples from 2,000 years ago, but a



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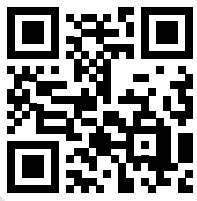
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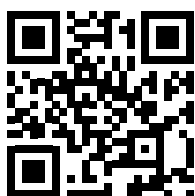
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Ice Climbing

Introductory ice climbing trips and private guided experiences are available on Wolf Creek Pass with Narrow Ridge Outdoors. Each outing gives climbers the opportunity to learn more about ice climbing, techniques, equipment, and the local area. North Clear Creek Falls and the Lake City Ice Park are great for more advanced climbers.



Ice Climbing at North Clear Creek Falls • by John McEvoy



Sledding at Beaver Creek Res • by John McEvoy



Skating & Hockey

Free skating rink at Rickle Park. Its skate shack holds free-to-use hockey and figure skates, and is usually open mid-December through mid-February. Town puts on a big bonfire every Saturday evening, complete with music, hot drinks, and pick-up hockey games! **LOCAL TIP:** Pick up a thermos of hot chocolate before you head over - this will keep the little ones happy and skating for hours! A bike helmet and knee pads are also helpful for beginners. A small sledding hill is perfect for those who need a skate-break.

Local Outdoor Clubs

The Silverthreaders and Powderbusters are diverse groups of locals, part-timers, and visitors that organize weekly snowmobile and snowshoeing outings in the winter months. www.silverthreaders.org



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The Utes

THE UTES: Prior to 1868, the Capote (Kapota) band of Ute Indians lived throughout the southwest region that includes the San Luis Valley. A hunting and gathering people, they called themselves "Nuche" or "Nuustiyu," meaning "the people" or "the mountain people." They were called "Yutas" by Spanish explorers, then "Utes" as the United States expanded. In the summer, the "Nuche" lived in extended nomadic family groups and often wintered in New Mexico or Northern Arizona. The Utes made a treaty of peace with the U.S. in 1849. Shortly thereafter, settlers from New Mexico established several settlements in Colorado. In 1868, the Utes were removed to a reservation in western Colorado, until they lost their expansive reservation as a result of the Meeker massacre in 1879.

THE TOWN OF SOUTH FORK: Prior to the arrival of the railroad in 1882, South Fork was primarily known as a stage stop where passengers could stretch before continuing north. The railroad brought cheap and reliable transportation, allowing residents to profit from the area's abundant resources. Saw mills sprung up to supply local timber to ever-growing railways and surrounding mining districts. Cattle and sheep were introduced during these early years. In the 1870s, vegetable production, mainly cauliflower, lettuce, potatoes and peas, were the main agricultural resources grown in the area. In the latter part of the 20th Century to present day, the tourism industry proved most important to South Fork's continued economic development. One of Colorado's newest towns (incorporated in 1992), South Fork remains a regional hub for agriculture, timber, breathtaking scenery, boundless wildlife and family-oriented adventure!

MASONIC PARK: This was the first Masonic Park in the United States. The land was homesteaded in 1892, and consisted of 160 acres. In 1914, the San Luis Valley Masonic Association purchased the property to be used as an annual meeting place. After a bridge was built over the Rio Grande and a water system was installed, the park was platted and lots were available for sale to approximately 800 members.



BARLOW AND SANDERSON STAGE COMPANY: In 1874, the Barlow and Sanderson Stage Company's line reached from Missouri to Del Norte but needed to continue west. Alonzo Hubbard was hired to build roads from Del Norte to Antelope Springs, and on to Lake City. Not only a passenger route, it provided freight to the quickly developing mining areas. A few toll roads built by a young Russian, Otto Mears, also became part of this route. From Del Norte going west, the first stage stop was at the Edwin Shaw Ranch, famous for their hay and hospitality. Located at the present day Rest Area on Highway 160, the little cabin overlooking the Highway is part of the original ranch. The way-station for changing horses was at Bunker Hill, a mile down the road. In 1883, the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad had achieved building rail lines from Del Norte to Wagon Wheel Gap and on to Lake City, making the Stage Route obsolete. Parts of the Barlow/Sanderson road can still be seen along the Silver Thread Scenic Byway.



Holy Family Mission

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC MISSION: By the 1870's farmers and ranchers were well established in South Fork, having filed claims for their land under the 1862 Homestead Act. One of these pioneers, Jose Campos, would have descendants who were still farming his land in the 1930's. For many years, the Campos family invited the mission priest to celebrate Mass services in their home amidst the wheat fields, until they donated the property for a church to be built. The Church was built in the early 1940's where Mass services still continue today.



Holy Family Mission

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Annual Logger Days Festival: July 17-19, 2026

You are surrounded by more than 2 million acres of forest. This mountain land has produced lumber since the 1870s, when the first loggers arrived — and the trees are still growing — a slow dance of green growth. The Annual Logger Days continues a festive tradition of making work skills fun! Loggers and their friends compete in contests to gage their skills as lumberjacks:

- Men, boys, and girls throw spinning hatchets at targets
- Axes or saws drop tall poles to exact spots on the ground
- Cheer along as chain saws cut logs into precise pieces
- Hold your breath as climbers scurry up a 60 foot pole

Who Participates in Events? Experts at logging, milling, and forestry AND Amateurs who want the thrill!

LOGGERS use saws and axes to cut down trees, trim them into logs, and move them to the roadside or sawmill. They must have good sense, and be skilled with horses (real or mechanical), saws, axes, poles, and ropes.

MILLERS are machinery experts who shape logs into boards, posts, poles, flooring, railroad ties, and other

products. About a dozen portable mills operated throughout the forest and in South Fork from the 1870s to 2001. South Fork's mill was Colorado's largest in the 1950s-60s.

FORESTERS are scientists who plan for the balanced use of federal, state, and private lands for long-term production of wood, water, wildlife, recreation, grazing, and wilderness.

Logging History: Life in the Woods

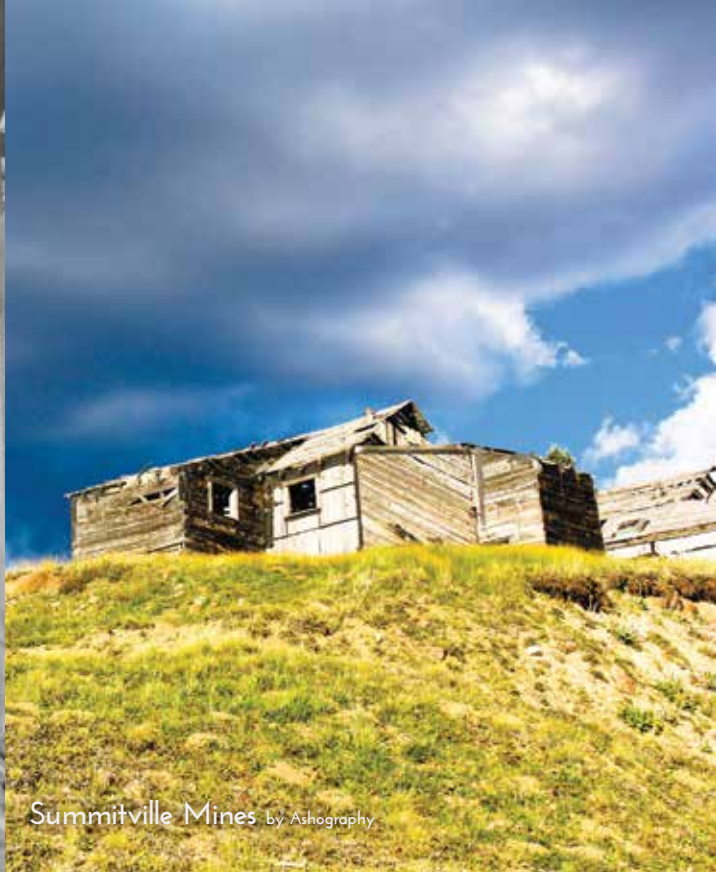
Loggers were tough and alert, doing dangerous work in beautiful country. Some local loggers and millers were Ute Indians, the area's original inhabitants. Among the most skilled were Hispanics, whose ancestors arrived in the San Luis Valley in the 1850s. At the height of logging in the San Juan Mountains, workers came from Arkansas and Alabama. Some were skilled horse loggers from the 1940s to 1960s, along with local experts like John Graeser. Well-trained horses pulled logs to roadsides, where trucks could be loaded. In rough terrain, a horse is often quicker than a mechanical skidder.

From 1870 til the 1950s, loggers often spent summer weeks alone or with one or two others in the forest. They built small cabins with simple kitchens and beds - some even had a front porch! Remains of these cabins can be found throughout the area.

Food was simple in the forest. A welcome logging partner was one who could catch and cook a gourmet porcupine. Loggers went to South Fork on weekends to see family, get fresh clothes and food, and attend church. The logging season lasted as long as snow and muddy roads allowed, usually 5-7 months. In winter, loggers returned to town to work in the sawmill.



"Old Saw Mill, South Fork, Colorado"
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Museums

Rio Grande County Museum & Cultural Center

Exploring the history and culture of Rio Grande County and the Upper portion of the San Luis Valley can be experienced at the Rio Grande County Museum & Cultural Center in Del Norte. There are learning experiences for all ages. Native Americans and photos of "Rock Art", fur trappers, Fremont's Fourth Expedition, the settlers from New Mexico with the Mexican Land Grants and farmers, ranchers, loggers, merchants and the gold seekers who settled the area are all represented in exhibits and research.



The Museum Gift Shop offers a variety of books of local interest and some by local authors as well as showing art work of local artists. During the summer months, art shows by local artists are featured.

Summer Hours: 10am - 4pm Tues-Fri, 10am - 3pm Saturday Admission \$2. Free for Military
www.museumtrail.org/rio-grande-county-museum
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Creede Historical Museum & Library

Housed in the Old Denver & Rio Grande Railroad Depot in downtown Creede next to Basham Park, the museum reflects the efforts of a dedicated local historical society. Creede's first hand-drawn fire wagon, pioneer utensils, a horse-drawn hearse, gambling equipment, a large photo collection, early newspapers, and troves of memorabilia comprise the Creede Historical Society's collections. The museum and library archives provide visitors, historians, and genealogical researchers opportunities to examine the daily lives of homesteaders, prospectors, miners, entrepreneurs, lawmen, and notorious characters who shaped Creede/Mineral County's colorful history.



The Historical Library is located in a small cabin next to the museum. The Library provides research information, books and photos of Creede, Mineral County and Western Colorado. The Library's photo collection contains thousands of photos. To help archive and maintain the photo collection, copies of individual photos are sold for personal or publication use.

Museum Hours: 10am-4pm Mon-Sat • 1pm-4pm Sunday
Open Memorial Day to Labor Day
Library: Open Year-Round • Thurs, 1-4pm or by appt.
www.creedehistoricalsociety.com • 719-658-2004

Calendar OF EVENTS



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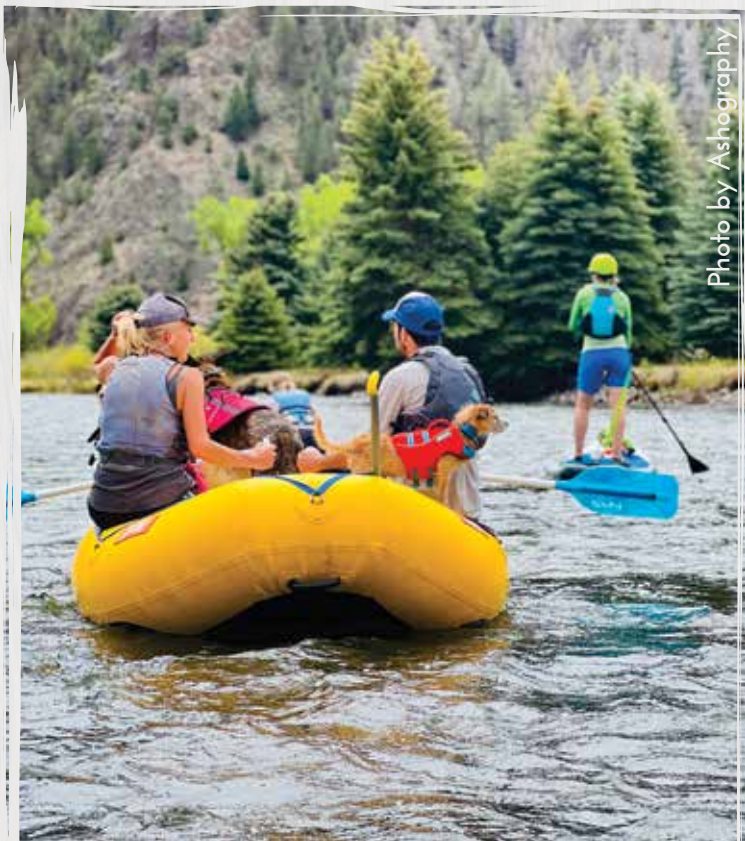


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Show at Creede Repertory Theatre • courtesy creederep.org

Calendar of Events

June SF Clean Up Days / Yard Sale

June 12-14 - Clean up town and clean out your closets, empty your garage, clear out your old inventory and get ready to sell!
June 13 - Garage Sale Day! Pick up a list of community member participants from the Visitor Center.

June Kid's Fishing Clinic

Saturday, June 20 - Celebrate Father's Day Weekend in the South Fork sun. Grab your poles and come fish with us! The Division of Wildlife will be on-hand to give instructions to little anglers. Each child 15 and under receives a free rod/reel combo with registration. Enjoy a hot dog lunch in the great outdoors. Place TBD. Free admission, open to the public. southfork.org

June Salmonfly Hatch Days

Third Week in June - Celebrate the hatch with fly fishing along our Gold Medal Waters. Come by the Visitor Center for a free map. Visit www.fishtheupperrio.org for more information.

July Rodeos at Rickel Arena

Don't miss the chance to 'play cowboy' at a South Fork Rodeo. Enjoy bull riding, roping, barrel racing and trick riding. The audience is invited to try mutton busting or the calf scramble! Produced by Burris & Sons on July 2nd, 3rd, & 18th.

July Independence Day Celebration

July 3rd - The South Fork Fire Department hold their annual Fish Fry and Ice Cream Social from 11am-2pm - Come fill your belly with goodies and head over to annual Parade at 3pm! Check out the wonderful shops in town and grab dinner at one of our locally owned restaurants. Finally, don't miss the South Fork Rodeo at Rickel Arena. Bull riding, team roping, barrel racing and more begin at 6:30pm and are followed by FIREWORKS!



Independence Day Parade

SOUTH FORK RODEO

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THURSDAY JULY 2 • FRIDAY JULY 3 • SATURDAY JULY 18
Performance @ 6:30PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE at the gate,
the South Fork Visitors Center or
www.burrisandsonsbuckingbulls.com

Calendar of Events

September **South Fork Par Fly**

Golf & Fly Fishing Tournament hosted by SLV Trout Unlimited and the Rio Grande Club. Two-person teams compete for two and a half days to win prizes and bragging rights.

September **Colorfest in South Fork**

Late September/Early October - It's a glorious time of year to explore: Access our back-country for an unrivaled tour of Rocky Mountain fall colors! There are no crowds in South Fork, but the roads and trails are abundant! Take your car, ATV, jeep or mountain bike; Hike through the shimmering golden forests, or fish your way down the aspen-bordered Rio Grande. Visit southfork.org/colorfest for driving tours and 'Peak Color' schedule.

October **South Fork Hog Roast**

October 3 - Celebrate Fall in South Fork, CO! This family-friendly celebration of fall is the perfect addition to a weekend getaway to see the fall colors! Join in on a free dinner w/ all sides included and a cash beer garden. We'll have a large bonfire (or two!) and live music.

October **Chili Cook-Off**

October 22 - The event draws hunters, residents and visitors. Two categories of chili, red and green, provide for a spicy night of tasting as the cooks compete for cash prizes. Many local residents and restaurants participate each year, bringing out their secret recipes to share with hundreds of guests who attend.

October **Halloween Haunted Maze & Kids Market**

October 23 & 24 - Visit the Haunted Maze (or the 'not-so-scary' early evening maze). Hot chocolate and festivities! Kids' Market features young entrepreneurs selling their wares.

November **Yuletide & Winterfest**

November 27 & 28 - As the year winds down, South Fork hosts a party. The annual Yuletide Lighting of the trees at the Visitor Center and historic water tower: See the incredible lights, enjoy Christmas music, Santa Claus (with gifts for every child), snacks, cookies, hot chocolate, and general holiday merriment! Winterfest on Saturday brings local vendors to display and sell food, crafts, holiday goods, antiques, artwork, and more.

Jan / Feb **Winter Weekend Parties: Ice Skating, Bonfires, Music & Food**

January & February - Bonfires are held every weekend from mid-January til the ice melts. Come enjoy a warm bonfire, ice skating, music and delicious food from local businesses. Open to the public, and free-to-use skates!

April **Easter Egg Hunt**

Saturday before Easter - Join in on the Easter festivities with over 1,000 eggs to be discovered and an appearance by the Easter bunny! Games and refreshments provided for all our weary egg hunters. Free admission, open to the public.




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Play Lumberjack or Cowboy • Railbike • See a Show

Take Bikes Out on the Trail • Picnic at Big Meadows

Go Horseback Riding - Imagine you are a child from the Ute Tribe: you have just traded the Spaniards for your first horse and now venture out to explore the area's backcountry. Many of the hunting and traveling trails used by natives are still used today, and most offer the same view from the saddle you would have seen hundreds of years ago! Cottonwood Cove and Freemon's Ranch offer guided trips.

Hike a Trail, any Trail - We suggest the 1/2 mile hike from Million Reservoir, a hike around Big Meadows Reservoir (2 miles), or a hike to the Largest Fir Tree in the Rio Grande Forest (1/3 mile).

Sit around a Campfire at Tucker Ponds - Roast a marshmallow, tell a ghost story, or marvel at the vast expanse of stars overhead.

Ice Skate in Town - Gear up for an afternoon skate and Bonfire! Rickle Park is located right in town, and its skate shack holds free-to-use hockey and figure skates. Town puts on a big bonfire every Saturday evening, complete with music, hot drinks, and pick-up hockey games! A small sledding hill is perfect for those who need a skate-break.

Visit Creede for the Afternoon - Creede is best known for two things: silver mining and live theatre. Get a taste of both in an afternoon: Become a miner for a few hours in the Underground Mining Museum. Enter mine shafts bored into the cliff face, wander through tunnels mined from solid rock, and visit with former hard-rock miners! Next, visit the Creede Repertory Theatre for an award-winning show. Specifically look for the adventurous and entertaining *KID Show* or a seasonal general audience show. Check their website for kid-specific camps and events!



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Lodging Guide

Find your place to Stay & Play

		Rooms	Cabin/Home	RV / Tent Site	Hot Tub / Pool	Pets	Laundry	Kitchen Units	Ski Packages	Golf Packages
Allen's Riverside Meadows Cabins 719-873-5280 www.riversidemeadowscabins.com	Riverside Meadows is located on the banks of the Rio Grande. We have made available 3 beautifully handcrafted log cabins that each offer privacy and seclusion. Amenities include a hot tub, picnic area/fire pit next to the river, kayaks, and more.		•		H	•		•	•	•
Alpine Accents 719-873-0228 • www.alpineaccents.net	5 luxury vacation chalets - with full amenities, hot tub on private porch, stocked pond, 600 feet of the Rio Grande River & 13 minutes from Wolf Creek Ski Area.		•		H	•	•	•	•	
Alpine Trails RV 719-873-0261 • www.alpinetrailsrvpark.com	RV park with 42 sites, full hook-up, rec room, laundry and showers. Cabin for rent - sleeps 4. Free WiFi, cable available in office and rec hall. Close walk to the Rio Grande River, 20 minutes from Wolf Creek Ski Area!		•	•		•	•	•		
Arbor House Inn B&B 888-830-4642 • 719-873-5012 www.arborhouseinnco.com	Luxurious Inn in gorgeous riverside setting. Five guest rooms: private bath, sat. TV, DVD, Wi-Fi, mini fridge, microwave, coffee service, robes. Romantic honeymoon suite: candelabra fireplace, whirlpool tub. Outdoor hot tub, picnic areas, fire pits. On-site fishing. Gourmet breakfast daily.	•	•		H				•	•
Aspen Ridge Cabins and Yurts 719-873-5921 www.aspenridgecabins.com	Located in the heart of South Fork and open year-round. Six cabins of varying sizes and two luxury yurts. All cabins and yurts have full kitchens, private bathrooms, high speed Wi-Fi, and streaming and satellite TV. On-premises walk-in game cooler, ice for guests' hunting and fishing harvests, and an outdoor fire pit for gatherings and picnics.		•			•	•	•		
Aspen Ridge RV Park 719-873-2248 • aspenridgerv.com	Wonderful, clean, fun RV park with 44-50amp full hook ups. No RV? No problem! Stay in one of our fully furnished campers. Bring OHVs and ride right out of the park to trails or into town! Recreation clubhouse, fish cleaning station, dog park, community campfires & planned activities!		•	•	H	•	•	•		
Beaver Creek Christian Camp/Retreat • 719-873-5311 www.beavercreekcamp.org	Don't just rent a room. Rent a mountain top! Nestled in the Rio Grande National Forest, we are South Fork's newest large group lodging facility. Open Year Round. Great for weddings, family reunions, retreats, conferences, ski trips, and mission trips.		•					•		
Blue Creek Lodge 719-658-2479 • www.bluecreeklodge.co	Nestled in the heart of the Rio Grande National Forest, Blue Creek Lodge offers the utmost in fine vacationing. Cabins and rooms with private baths and soft mountain water. RV park and gift shop.	•	•	•		•		•	•	
Chinook Cabins & RV Park 888-890-9110 • 719-873-1707 www.chinooklodge.net	Nine log cabins that are nestled in amongst fifty year old Blue Spruce trees. We offer log cabins that sleep from 2-10 people. 18 RV sites with full hookups, along the South Fork.		•	•		•	•	•		
Cottonwood Cove Lodge 855-216-2683 • 719-658-2242 www.cottonwoodcove.com	In continuous operation since 1944, we are a family oriented guest ranch with 1, 2, or 3 bedroom cabins, RV sites, full service restaurant, large gift store, horse rides, rafting and more.		•	•		•		•		
Four Seasons Lodge 719-657-1140 • fourseasonslodgeco.com	We hope new and returning guests will enjoy their stay with us, as we are in the process of being updated! Stop by, stay with us and enjoy our cozy family atmosphere. Free high-speed internet and Wifi access, Continental Breakfast, Coffee & Tea making facilities, DVD player	•	•			•		•		
Fun Valley Family Resort 970-661-2220 • frontdesk@funvalley.us https://funvalley.us	Colorado's finest family resort, offering RV spaces, cabins and motel rooms. Full amenities include dining and rec halls, convenience store, gas station, fishing, mini-golf, hiking, bikes, square dancing, boating, gift shop, laundry and more.		•	•		•	•	•		
Grandview Cabins & RV Park 855-713-3251 • 719-873-5541 www.grandview-resort.com	12 cabins and spacious RV sites with full hook-ups are available. Showers, rec hall, spa, cable, pets welcome.		•	•	H	•	•	•		
LOGE Wolf Creek 719-873-1900 logecamps.com/property/wolfcreek	A stylish pet-friendly basecamp for the modern adventurer complete with a cedar hot tub & sauna, full bar, cozy café, and incredible outdoor gear included in your stay.	•		RV	H	•	•	•		
Moon Valley Resort 719-873-5216 • moonvalleyrvresort.com	Family owned campground along Wolf Creek Pass. 30 amp hook-ups, laundry, showers, and large public club house and kitchen.			•		•	•			
One In A Million www.airbnb.com/rooms/42740763	3 bedroom, 2 bath house perfect for 4 adults. Located on 1 acre just a few minutes walk from the national forest. Enjoy the sunrises and sunsets from the cozy enclosed porch. ATV parking. Not suitable for young kids.		•			•	•	•		
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Find your place to Stay & Play

		Rooms	Cabin/Home	RV / Tent Site	Hot Tub / Pool	Pets	Laundry	Kitchen Units	Ski Packages	Golf Packages
Rachel's KOKO Cabins 719-657-1157 • rachelskoko.com	Three year-round vacation cabins. Each are 1 bed/1bath, sleeps 4. Located in the heart of town and walking/viewing distance to the South Fork river and hiking trails. On-site food truck, coffee shop, and bar.		•			•				
Rainbow Lodge & RV Park www.rainbowlodgesouthfork.com	Located at the junction of US Hwy 160 & CO 149. Contactless Checkin. Text: 719-628-5900 or Call: 719-873-5571	•	•	•		•	•	•		
Rio Grande Meadows RV Park 325-234-3434 www.riograndemeadows.com	New, modern RV Park. Big Rig Friendly and pet friendly - we offer 56 spacious sites with awesome views, picnic tables and fire rings. Every site equipped with 30 & 50 amp electric (some with 100 amp). Free Wi-Fi. large dog park. Family friendly "old west" recreation building.			•		•	•			
Rio River Retreat 806-290-2456 • rioriverretreat.com	Rio River Retreat is located on the gold medal fishing waters of the Rio Grande River! With three floors, 6 bedrooms plus a sleeping loft, it will accommodate up to 25 guests. Small Cabin next door; sleeps 6. Perfect for weddings and retreats. On-site horse boarding.		•			•	•	•		
Riverbend Resort 800-621-6512 • 719-873-5344 www.riverbend-resort.com	Cozy cabins with fireplaces & decks. Deluxe cabin with private indoor hot tub. FHU RV sites. Riverside tent sites. Sat TV, rec hall, hot tub, game room, gift shop. Pets OK. Stocked river fishing.		•	•	H	•	•	•		
Silver Thread Base Camp 719-873-5500 silverthreadbasecamp.net	Large RV sites with huge cottonwood trees on the banks of the Rio Grande River. Gold Medal Waters flyfishing. 30/50 amp, store, laundry, WiFi, tent sites, rec hall and more.		•	•		•	•			
South Fork Lodge & RV Park 877-354-2345 • 719-873-5303 www.southforklodgeandrv.com	Rustic cabins featuring knotty pine interiors; fully furnished kitchens; living rooms & bathrooms. Free wi-fi; satellite tv; hot tub & coin-operated laundry. RV park w/large FHU sites, 30 & 50 amp service & rec hall.		•	•	H	•	•	•	•	•
Spruce Lodge @ Sawmill Meadow 719-715-8405 • www.sprucelodges.com	8 motel rooms and 8 RV sites. Rooms are wellappointed, comfortable, and clean. Your stay supports young adults and the community of South Fork. All profit is donated back to The Gap at Sawmill Meadow.	•		•	H	•		•		
The Wolves' Den in South Fork 719-873-3675 • southforkrental.com	Our 4 bedroom, 3 bathroom home is nicknamed "The Wolves Den," a place for family and friends to gather for fun and fellowship.		•		H		•	•		
Tiny Timbers Resort 719-469-2500 • tinytimbersresort.com	Offering a variety of cozy cabins and terrific tiny homes for your visit. ATV trails access. Enjoy the on-site Coffee Shop and Restaurant.		•		H		•	•		
Ute Bluff Lodge 800-473-0595 • 719-873-5595 www.uteblufflodge.com	Creatively decorated rustic log cabins, comfortable lodge rooms, and fully equipped RV spaces on 17 beautiful acres. Adjacent to the National Forest, close to the Rio Grande, and just minutes from Wolf Creek.	•	•	•	H	•	•	•		
Vacation Rental Collective South Fork Collection • bookvrc.com	Personalized vacation rental management company, managed by a 4th generation area family. Uniting owners and travelers in finding the perfect private lodging accommodations		•							
Wolf Creek Ranch Ski Lodge 800-522-9653 • 719-873-5371 www.wolfcreek ranchco.com	We are the closest lodging to Wolf Creek Ski Area. Coming to the mountains? Why not stay in the mountains?	•	•		H	•		•	•	
Woods & River RV Park Del Norte • 719-657-4530 woodsandrivercamping.com	22-acres with 18 riverfront sites, spacious pull through sites, shaded camping areas, 2/3 mile concrete trail, and 2.5-acre dog area. Newly built office, showers, laundry, playground and event pavilion. Full hookups w/ 15/30/50 amp			•						

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Fire Department	719-873-1030
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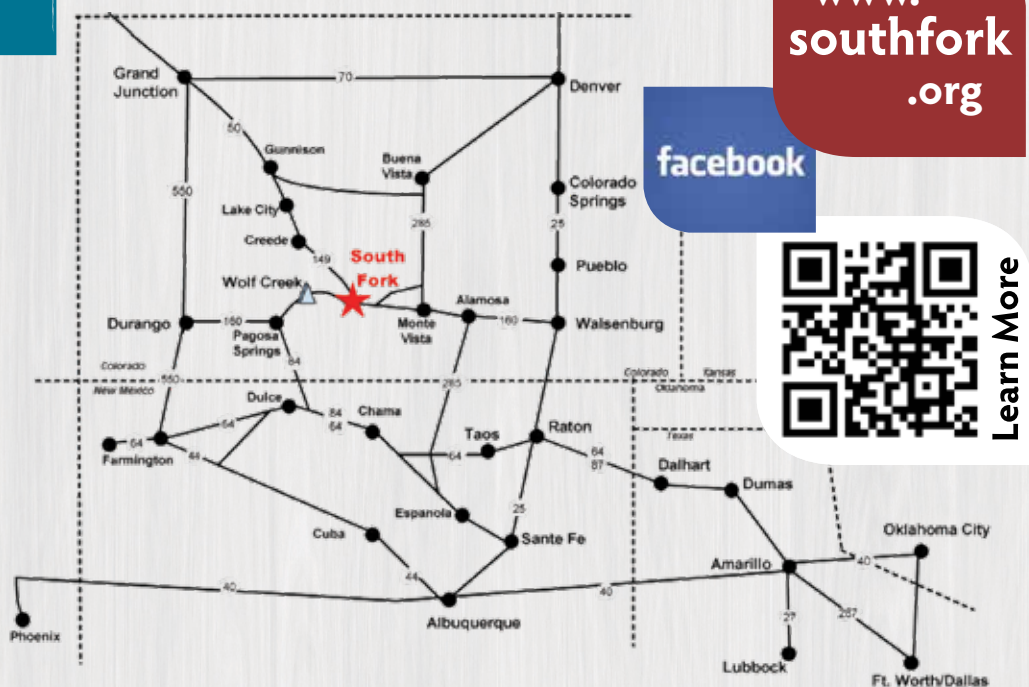
Visitor GUIDEPOST

South Fork Fast Facts

- One of Colorado's newest towns, incorporated May 19, 1992
- City limit population of 500 with an area population of 1,200
- Summer peak population reaches 3,500+ residents & tourists
- Located at the southwestern end of the San Luis Valley
- Visitor Center is located at the Junction of Hwys 160 & 149
- GPS 37°40'09"N 106°38'34"W • 37.669065°N 106.642829°W



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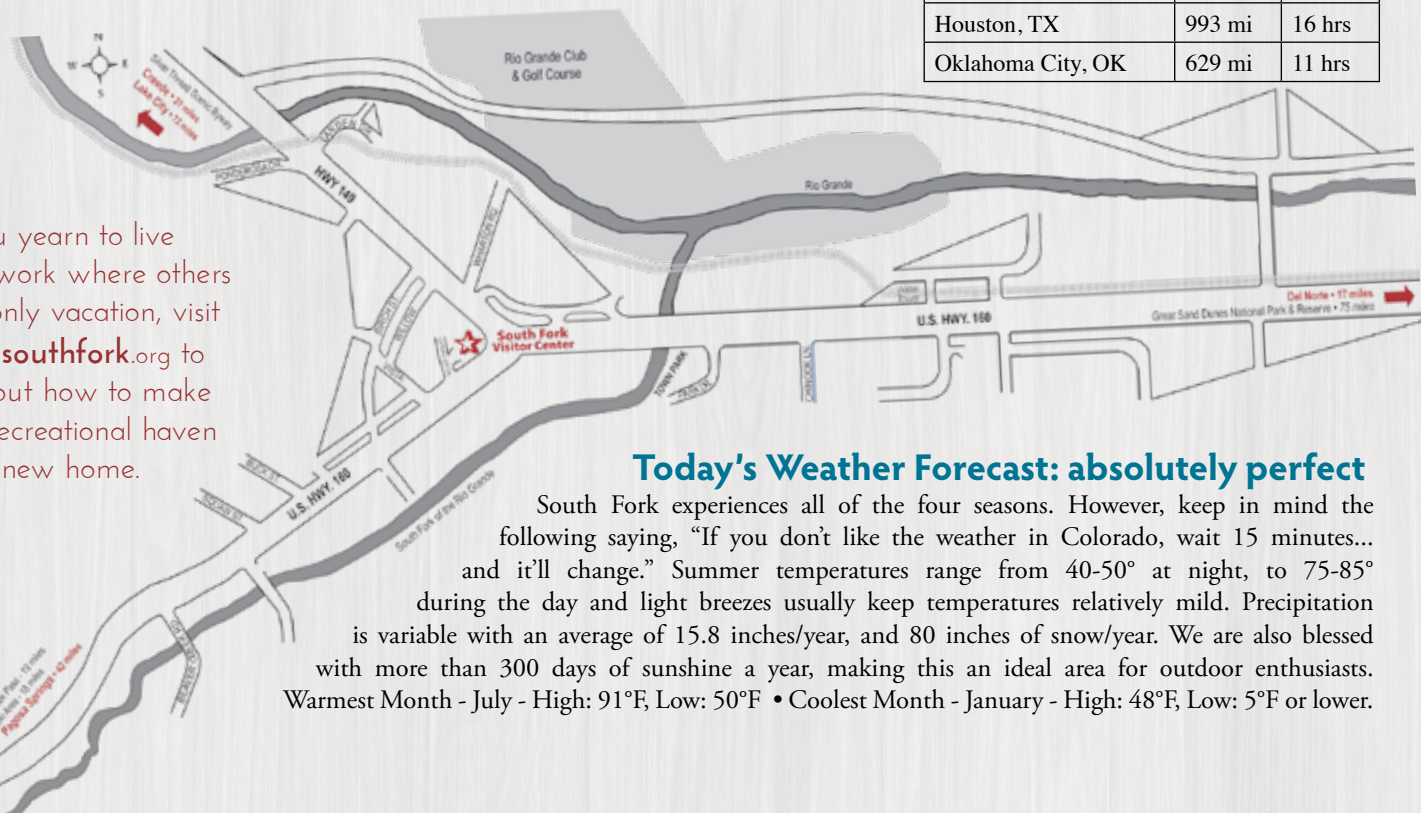
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Distance from South Fork

Wolf Creek Ski Area	18 mi	1/2 hr
Creede, CO	22 mi	20 min
Denver, CO	234 mi	4 hr
Colorado Springs, CO	211 mi	3 ½ hr
Pueblo, CO	153 mi	2 ½ hr
Santa Fe, NM	185 mi	3 hr
Durango, CO	99 mi	2 hr
Phoenix, AZ	561 mi	9 hrs
Albuquerque, NM	248 mi	4 hrs
Amarillo, TX	390 mi	6 hrs
Ft. Worth/Dallas, TX	753 mi	12 hrs
Houston, TX	993 mi	16 hrs
Oklahoma City, OK	629 mi	11 hrs

If you yearn to live and work where others can only vacation, visit www.southfork.org to find out how to make this recreational haven your new home.



Today's Weather Forecast: absolutely perfect

South Fork experiences all of the four seasons. However, keep in mind the following saying, "If you don't like the weather in Colorado, wait 15 minutes... and it'll change." Summer temperatures range from 40-50° at night, to 75-85° during the day and light breezes usually keep temperatures relatively mild. Precipitation is variable with an average of 15.8 inches/year, and 80 inches of snow/year. We are also blessed with more than 300 days of sunshine a year, making this an ideal area for outdoor enthusiasts. Warmest Month - July - High: 91°F, Low: 50°F • Coolest Month - January - High: 48°F, Low: 5°F or lower.

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