



## DESTINATION PLANNING GUIDE

### AIRPORTS

#### **Montrose (65 miles)**

America West Terminal

(970) 249-7660

United Terminal

(970) 249-6727

#### **Telluride**

(970) 728-5051

#### **Grand Junction (127 miles)**

United Express

(970) 244-9100

Delta Connection

(970) 244-9100

#### **Cortez Airport (71 miles)**

United Express

(970) 565-3721

#### **Charter Flights**

Telavia

(970) 728-5861

Falcon Flight Charter Services

(970) 720-4868 or (800) 337-1775

#### **Fixed Base Operations**

Aircraft and Pilot Services

(970) 728-5051

### GROUND TRANSPORTATION

#### **Shuttle Service available from all Airports**

Alpine Luxury Limo

(970) 728-8750

Telluride Express

(970) 728-6000 or (888) 212 TAXI

#### **Services from Durango & Cortez airports**

Alpine Luxury Limo

(970) 728-8750

#### **Services from Grand Jct**

Alpine Luxury Limo

(970) 728-8750

#### **Telluride Airport**

Budget

(970) 728-4642 or (800) 527-0700

National

(970) 728-9380 or (800) 728-9380

#### **Montrose Airport**

Budget

(970) 249-6083 or (800) 221-2419

Dollar

(970) 249-3770 or (800) 800-4000

Thrifty

(970) 249-8741 or (800) 367-2277

National

(970) 252-8898 or (800) 227-7368

#### **Montrose**

Enterprise Rent-a-Car

(970)240-3835 or (800)RENTACAR

#### **\* Current Road Conditions**

(970) 249-9363

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## DINING & NIGHTLIFE

### Private Chef:

Gary Pagano  
Laura Ward  
Eric Owens  
Bob Sherner  
Andrew Schwartz

### Restaurants:

<b>221 South Oak St.</b>	Continental, menu changes weekly	970-728-9507
<b>9545</b>	Continental, in Mt. Village	970-728-6293
<b>Allred's</b>	Continental	970-728-7474
<b>Blue Point Grill</b>	Seafood	970-728-8862
<b>Cosmopolitan</b>	Continental	970-728-1292
<b>Excelsior Café</b>	Continental	970-728-4250
<b>Honga's</b>	Asian (sushi)	970-728-5132
<b>La Marmotte</b>	French	970-728-6232
<b>La Piazza</b>	Italian, in Mt. Village	970-728-8283
<b>New Sheridan Chop House</b>	Continental	970-728-9100
<b>Rustico</b>	Italian	970-728-4046
<b>Siam</b>	Asian	970-728-6886
<b>Tellurice</b>	Asian	970-728-8787

## **FLY FISHING**

**Telluride Outside** 800-831-6230/970-728-3895 [www.tellurideoutside.com](http://www.tellurideoutside.com)

**Sweet Water Expeditions** 970-728-1757

**Telluride Fly Fishers** 800-828-7547/970-728-4477

The best locations for fly-fishing around Telluride are the San Miguel River, Upper and Lower Dolores River and the Gurley Reservoir. The San Miguel and Upper Dolores offer Half-day trips, and the Lower Dolores and Gurley Reservoir (May 15-November 15) offer Full day trips. Telluride Angler offers casting instructions to guests of all levels, including “Learn to Fly Fish” and “Saltwater Fly Tying”.

Guests will love the wild trout in the San Miguel River, one of the last undammed rivers in the Rocky Mountains and home to 4 trout species: Cutthroat, Rainbow, Brook and Brown Trout. The Upper Dolores cuts through fabulous scenery and is characterized by freestone pocket water above the town of Dolores. The most challenging water is located in the lush, low gradient valley of the Lower Dolores River.

Telluride Angler is the exclusive guide service for Gurley Reservoir; a high elevation lake located on private ranch land below Lone Cone. Trophy trout love looking for aquatic insects along the shallow shoreline.



**Cost:**

Top quality equipment rental

\$ 40 per person per day

**Guided Tours:**

Half day

\$225 per person (only \$260 for two people)

Full day

\$375 for two people, lunch included

## **GLIDER RIDES**

**Telluride Soaring** 970-708-0862

Instruction and tours are available for this fabulous adventure above the mountains. You can actually float above the skiers on the slopes! You can take a 30-minute flight or go for a one-hour adventure. All pilots are FAA Certified, and will take you up in a 2-seater quiet sailplane.



**Cost:**

30-Minute Flight

\$110

One-Hour Flight

\$160

## **HIKING**

Hiking adventures abound all over the Telluride region. Day hikes from town cover Bear Creek Canyon, Bridal Veil Falls, Cornet Falls, Jud Wiebe and San Miguel River.

Bear Creek Canyon covers 325 acres and is protected by the Telluride Land Trust. Designated trails are flanked by cascading waterfalls, with a distance of 2.5 miles one way. This is an easy to moderate hike.

Bridal Veil Falls is a distance of 2.2 miles one way to the top of the falls, and is a moderate to difficult trek. Hikers looking for easier strolls can take the San Miguel River Trail, with a distance of 2.5 miles one way from the town park to the valley floor, passing beaver ponds along the way.

Wildflowers peak around mid July and fall colors peak in late September through early October. Spring through fall offers the best hiking opportunities in and around Telluride.

### **San Juan Outdoor School, Telluride Adventures**

866-386-8743/ 970-728-4101 or [www.tellurideadventures.com](http://www.tellurideadventures.com)

Telluride's premier source for mountain adventures! The San Juan Outdoor School offers a variety of outdoor adventures. With the guidance of expert instructors and naturalists, participants in all programs gain an appreciation for the rich natural and cultural history of Telluride's majestic San Juan Mountains. The San Juan Outdoor School provides the industry's highest quality instruction in a supportive learning environment and creates a nurturing and comfortable outdoor experience for people of all ages and abilities.

### **Rock Climbing**

#### ½ Day

\$125/ person large group rate (4+)  
\$150/ person semi-private (3 or less)  
\$250/ private lesson

#### Full Day

\$150/ person/ day group rate (4+)  
\$175/ person/ semi-private (3 or less)  
\$300/ private lesson

### **Hiking**

#### ½ Day

\$100/ person/ large group rate (4+)  
\$125/ person/ semi-private (3 or less)  
\$225/ private

#### Full Day

\$125/ person/ large group rate (4+)  
\$150/ person/ semi-private (3 or less)  
\$275/ private

Many other adventures offered ranging from:

- Camping & Backpacking
- Mountaineering
- Nature Tours
- Kid's camps

For more information on these options please visit [www.tellurideadventures.com](http://www.tellurideadventures.com)

## PARAGLIDING

**Paraglide Telluride** 970-369-4696

Scott Maclowry, a certified advanced Tandem Instructor from the United States Hang Gliding Association owns and operates Paraglide Telluride. He offers tandem flights with all equipment included. Each flight lasts from 15 – 30 minutes, weather permitting, and starts at Gold Hill (top of the Telluride Ski Area). Flights descend 3,500 feet and more, and include instruction, guide, harnesses, reserves, helmets, altimeters, radio and more.

Your flight into the Telluride valley begins atop the Telluride Ski Area and descends 3,500 feet and beyond! You will soar from the San Juan Mountains into the valley below.



**Cost:**

Per person per flight

\$170

## ALPINE SKIING

The Telluride Ski Experience offers a genuine mountain experience for all levels of skiers thanks to a mix of quality terrain at all points on the mountain. From refined groomed runs to challenging bumps, there truly is something for everyone. Even beginners and intermediate skiers can ride to the highest peaks and enjoy terrain and views typically reserved for the experts.

**Telluride Ski Resort Operating Hours - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 7 Days a Week**

### Ski & Snowboard School

As a PSIA/AASI member, the Telluride Ski & Snowboard School has a rich history of innovative teaching techniques. Guest centered teaching is at the core of our program and lessons cater to your individual needs.

First time skiers and snowboarders who take a lesson will be able to navigate beginner terrain by the end of their first day. The Three Day Beginner Adventure enables you to develop life-long skills and independence on the mountain. Telluride is home to Lift 10, which offers some of the most gentle beginner terrain in Colorado.

If you are a more experienced skier or boarder, the Telluride Ski & Snowboard School offers a full range of excited options. Take your sport to the next level and learn the secrets of the mountain with your instructor.

Reservations are often required, and don't forget to ask about group rates.

**Call 1-800-801-4832, 1-970-728-7507 or Visit [www.TellurideSkiResort.com](http://www.TellurideSkiResort.com)**



## **CROSS COUNTRY SKIING**

### **Lizard Head Pass/Trout Lake**

The old railroad grade on the east side of the scenic Trout Lake is groomed for approximately 4.9 km (one way) to the top of Lizard Head Pass, providing excellent intermediate skiing terrain. This is the only groomed track in the area that allows dogs.

### **Priest Lake**

Eight miles south of Telluride on Hwy. 145, park at the USFS Ranger Station on the left hand side of the road. This is a 7.78km groomed track for skate and diagonal skiing and is appropriate for all levels.

### **Telluride Golf Course (Mountain Village)**

Open fairways mark 6 km of Nordic trails on the scenic Telluride Golf Course in Mountain Village. Accessed from behind the Wyndham Peaks Resort and Golden Door Spa. Intermediate and advanced skiers can access these 8 trails from the Gondola Station Parking lot in Mountain Village. The length of the tracks range from a 1K to a 4K.

### **Telluride Town Park**

Located at the east end of Telluride in the Town Park. Great for beginners with 3 easy rated trails and 1 rated more difficult. Ski to the end of the box canyon to observe the famous Bridal Veil Falls.

### **Nordic Lessons**

Group lessons are available daily from PSIA-certified instructors who are members of the Telluride Nordic Association (TNA).

#### **Telluride Nordic Center**

970-728-1144

[www.telluridetrails.org](http://www.telluridetrails.org)

### **Nordic Rentals**

Get everything you need for a day of Nordic Skiing as you explore the natural beauty of the San Juan Mountains.

#### **Nordic Center**

Town Park, Telluride

970-728-1144

#### **Paragon Sports**

236 South Oak St., Telluride

970-728-4581

#### **Paragon Sports**

560 Mountain Village Blvd., MtnVillage

970-728-0991

#### **Telluride Sports**

150 West Colorado Ave, Telluride

970-728-4477

## DOG SLEDDING

Imagine gliding through the snow behind a team of sled dogs. This is a great adventure, so why not take this opportunity and have the time of your life! These huskies like to start early in the morning...the colder the better, of course, so dress warm. Perfect for those seeking a different way to explore the natural winter beauty of the San Juan Mountains. Reservations required.

### **Wintermoon Sled Dog Adventures**

970-729-0058 or 970-626-2595



## ICE SKATING

### **Mountain Village**

The ice skating pond near Heritage Plaza in Mountain Village is open every day from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., usually from late December to sometime in February, dependent upon weather!

**Call 1-970-728-0588**

Skate rentals are available at BootDoctors in Mountain Village.

**Call 1-970-728-8954**

### **Telluride Town Park**

Skate to your heart's content on Telluride's ice rinks. Town Park has both an outdoor rink and the Andy Hanley Ice Rink/Pavilion. The outdoor rink offers amazing views of the surrounding mountains while the indoor rink is covered with a refrigerated ice rink. Skate rentals are available at the Nordic Center in Town Park, open from early December.

Skate rentals are available at the Nordic Center in Telluride's Town Park.

**Call 1-970-728-1144**



## **SLEDDING**

### **Firecracker Hill**

The Sledding Hill is located on the southern side of Telluride Town Park on Firecracker Hill. Please follow the orange cones that mark the walking path to the sledding hill. Bring your own sleds or rent one from the Nordic Center.

**Call 1-970-728-1144**

### **Thrill Hill**

Children and adults can satisfy their need for speed at Thrill Hill, an outdoor activity center offering tubing. Located at the base of Lift 2 and accessible by foot from Mountain Village, Thrill Hill is open from 2:30 - 7:00 p.m., Wednesday through Sunday.



## **SNOWMOBIELING**

### **Dave's Snowmobile Tours**

Experience the magic of the Colorado Rockies on our guided snowmobile tours. Our knowledgeable guides will show you through some of the most beautiful backcountry in the San Juan Mountains. Dave's Mountain Tours operates in the Uncompahgre National Forest through a special use permit. We have access to over 80 miles of trails in Beaver Park, 18 miles from Telluride. At the base of Mount Wilson and Lone Cone, this pristine area treats you to breathtaking scenery and panoramic vistas.

We offer a variety of guided tours through this area on easy to operate Polaris snowmobiles. You can enjoy a 2, 3 or 4 hour tour on packed and powder trails, or join us for a full day tour to really explore the off-the-beaten track areas. We provide instruction in the safe operation of our snowmobiles and our guides are knowledgeable and experienced.

**Call 1-970-728-9749 or Visit [www.TellurideTours.com](http://www.TellurideTours.com)**

### **Telluride Snowmobile Adventures**

“Telluride’s Premier Snowmobile Adventure since 1989.” Come for a 2-hour Alta “Ghost town” tours, a full day backcountry tour, a full day Dunton Hot Springs tour, or enjoy an evening dinner tour.

You can snowmobile on groomed trails on clean and reliable snowmobiles. We have Complimentary helmets, snowsuits and boots. After a day of fun in the snow, enjoy a warm complimentary cup of hot beverage. We will supply you with transportation to and from Telluride and Mountain Village.

**Call 1-970-728-4475**



## **SNOWSHOEING**

### **Telluride Mountain Guides**

Operating around the world since 1984 under the direction of Peter Walker, Telluride Mountain Guides are a group of outdoor professionals who gravitated to Telluride for the unparalleled splendor of its mountain environment. The high peaks, the proximity of the desert, the unique pace of life and the passion of the people keep us here. We love to climb, we love to ski, we love to explore. More importantly, we love to share our knowledge and understanding of Telluride and the San Juans and are committed to being a part of your perfect vacation. Please explore our website and feel free to email or call with questions about our adventures.

Snowshoeing is a marvelous way to explore this winter world at a different pace and in different places. You need no special skill or previous experience to enjoy snowshoeing, winter's fastest growing pastime. We have many miles of groomed tracks at gentle gradients and a clear sky with endless vistas in every direction. When overcast with snow falling gently around us filling the woods with silence and soft drifts, it is all the more fanciful! If relaxation is a part of your vacation objective, a snowshoe excursion is essential.

**Call 1-970-728-6481 or Visit [www.telluridemountainguides.com](http://www.telluridemountainguides.com)**

### **Top A Ten**

The TopATen Nordic and Snowshoe Area offers 10 kilometers of groomed, rolling trails that lead the nordic skier and snowshoer through high alpine forests and magical open meadows. Located at the top of Lift 10, the quiet trails offer breathtaking views of Prospect Bowl, Palmyra Peak and the surrounding San Juan Mountains. Advanced skiers and snowshoers can continue outside the boundary of the ski area to Alta Lakes on National Forest trails. A warming teepee, picnic deck and restrooms are open to the public daily. Guided, off-trail educational snowshoe tours are available daily at 10:00 a.m., purchase tickets at the Mountain Village Activity Center.

**Call 1-970-728-7517 or Visit [www.tellurideskiresort.com](http://www.tellurideskiresort.com)**



## **INDOOR FITNESS**

### **Bear Creek Lodge**

Located on the first floor of the Bear Creek Lodge next door to The Villas at Tristant. The fitness facility has a wide array of exercise equipment along with free weights also. There is an indoor hot tub with a sauna and a steam room, and an outdoor pool with two outdoor hot tubs. For further relaxation please feel free to book massage with our on call therapist.

**Call 970-369-4900**

### **Golden Door Spa**

The Golden Door Spa offers the best in indoor fitness, recreation and relaxation. For spa services it is best to book in advance. This specialized facility offers appointments with a nutritionist, personal fitness training, cardio-coaching, physical therapy, facials and a variety of massage treatments. The spa provides t-shirt, shorts, robes and slippers. Footwear is required for guests planning to work out. Rates for spa treatments vary widely depending type of service. Golden Door's hours are 6:30 AM to 8:30 PM daily, and are subject to change. The fitness level has a 25-yard lap pool, Cybex weight room, cardiovascular area, and exercise studios. Special packages including massages or facials or physical therapy range from \$170 to \$305 per person. Cancellation of any package requires 24 hours notice. You must purchase a treatment to gain access to the spa.

Let Golden Door Spa relax and revitalize you in peaceful mountain surroundings. The Spa's creator was inspired by Japan's Honjin Inns, sanctuaries for weary travelers. Guests of all ages can enjoy dozens of remarkable services designed to maximize personal well being. You and your spa therapist can choose the best treatment during your 25, 50 or 80-minute session. Private yoga sessions are available upon request.

**Call 800/SPA-KIVA or 970-728-2590 [www.thepeaksresort.com](http://www.thepeaksresort.com)**



### **Cost:**

Access to the spa is only possible with the purchase of a spa treatment.

## YOGA

### **The Yoga Way**

970-728-9171

The Yoga Way provides extensive beginner to intermediate yoga training. All new students must pre-register by phone. Comfortable attire is required, such as shorts and a t-shirt or baggy pants, and bare feet are essential. Classes are held Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday in the mornings and twice in the evenings. The Yoga Way offers three levels: Beginners, Advanced Beginners and Intermediate Students.

Your instructors have years of experience and have studied different methods in many different places. You will experience the best in union, integration and discipline, the meaning of the word Yoga. Learn to unite the body, mind and spirit, and practice awareness and relaxation. Ultimately, you will improve your flexibility and overall endurance.



### **Cost:**

Programs range from \$45 to \$80 depending on length and schedule.

## WALKING TOURS

### **Historic Walking Tours**

970-728-6639

Guests looking to walk through Telluride can experience Historic Walking Tours. Reservations are required. This Company will take you through Telluride's National Historic Landmark District. Learn about Telluride's famous mining days and hear tales about Popcorn Alley. You'll also see where Butch Cassidy robbed his first bank!



**Cost:**

Per person (3 person minimum)

\$10

## MUSEUM

### **Telluride Historical Museum**

201 West Gregory Ave, Telluride, CO 81435

970-728-3344

[www.telluridemuseum.com](http://www.telluridemuseum.com)

History enthusiasts can visit the Telluride Historical Museum, The museum is open Tues-Sat, noon – 5 PM.

Go back in time through Telluride’s mining history, experiencing events, personal accounts and artifacts. The museum is located within the old Minter’s Hospital building, erected in 1888 as one of Telluride’s first public buildings. In addition to a new series of lectures, classes and traveling exhibits, the museum is offering the first of 5 audio tours of historical districts in and around Telluride.



#### **Cost:**

Adult	\$5
Senior	\$3
Children under 5	Free

## CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AND CHILDCARE CENTER

**Telluride Ski & Golf Company** 970-728-6900 [www.telluridechildren.com](http://www.telluridechildren.com)

**Annie's Nannies** 970-728-2991 [www.anniesnannies.com](http://www.anniesnannies.com)

**Children's clothing for retail and rent, and fun souvenirs are available at:**

**Polka Dot-A Children Store** 970-728-7928

**The Attic** 970-728-3338

**Travelin' Tots** 970-728-6618

**Zia Sun** 970-728-4031

Children's ski adventures are available for children 3-12 of all abilities, 10 AM to 3 PM. Lift ticket, lesson and lunch are \$90 all together. Rentals are available with lessons, \$15 for equipment and \$6 for helmets, reservations required. Snowboarding lessons are provided for children 7-12, \$90 for lift ticket, lesson and lunch. The Children's Adventure Club entertains children all day, while their parents are occupied. The Children's Nursery provides professional childcare from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM daily for \$60 half day and \$70 full day. The ratio of care providers is one staff person for every two infants and one staff person for every five toddlers. The Plaza Arcade is the perfect hangout for children. It is located in the Mountain Village next to the Slope side Lockers, and is open from 8 AM to 9 PM. The Arcade offers video games, air hockey, pinball and foosball. Tubing and snowbiking (the latest fad) are available for children in the evenings daily, and on Thursdays and Fridays

Kid Spa is perfect for infants thru 11-year-olds, and includes morning hikes, yoga, swimming and cooking classes. Lessons in tennis, horseback riding and skiing are also available. Older children can enjoy the Youth and Teen Center's Voodoo Lounge (970-728-0140) with a year-round basketball/rollerblade court. Also available are food, games, crafts, big screen TV and movies.

For those looking for an outsourced babysitting service there's Annies Nannies. Holly Mayer, the owner will help you secure your children with a professional and specialized nanny who will go wherever your children are. Nannies specialize in creative play, experiential learning, art and more. This service is licensed and insured.

### **Cost:**

Lift ticket, ski/snowboard lesson, lunch	\$90
Children's Nursery	
Half day	\$60
Full day	\$70
Annie's Nannies (72hr advance notice)	\$16 per child
	\$ 4 each additional child