

# Deluxe Trains Rockies to the Red Rocks Tour

Rocky Mountaineer & Durango-Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad

August 12-19, 2024

Price per person based on 2 to a room \$3795.00

Single Supplement \$800.00

Travel Insurance \$367.00



## Aug 12: Flight to Denver from home city.

Overnight Denver – Springhill Suites by Marriott or similar

## Aug 13: Denver Mountain Tour in Red Rocks Evergreen and Echo Lake:

Explore Colorado's natural playgrounds just a short drive from downtown Denver. Escape the city and head for the Rockies with a guide and driver to handle the road, so you can focus on the stunning scenery of Mt. Evans, Bear Creek Canyon, and Squaw Pass. Get a taste of mountain culture in the charming town of Evergreen, check out the dramatic formations of Red Rocks. Walk around famous Red Rocks Amphitheatre and stop for coffee in Evergreen. Look for Rocky Mountain wildlife including deer and elk. Get spectacular views from atop Squaw Pass and stroll around a glacial lake.

Overnight Denver – Springhill Suites by Marriott or similar – Meals - B

## Aug 14: Denver to Glenwood Springs on the Rocky Mountaineer

Your journey starts in Denver. As you hear the whistle blow, board the train, take your seat, and get ready to start your journey alongside the Colorado River through a series of canyons and rugged landscapes. As you enjoy breakfast and a beverage, take in the scenic views of the Gross Reservoir dam. Built in 1954, it has a surface area of 440 acres with a spillway that sits at 7,225 feet in elevation

The route slowly gains elevation before reaching the Continental Divide. Here you'll pass through the historic Moffat Tunnel and emerge on the western side of the Continental Divide. This railway tunnel opened in 1928 and cuts through 6.3 miles of mountainous terrain.

Enjoy a three-course, regionally inspired lunch as our onboard Hosts share stories about the region we travel through. Make sure you keep your camera nearby as we travel along the Colorado River through a series of captivating canyons, including Byers Canyon and Gore Canyon. Keep your eyes peeled for wildlife as these canyons are the perfect place to spot pronghorns, deer, and eagles.

Today's journey ends in the historic town of Glenwood Springs. Enjoy your evening at your own leisure in this true Wild West town, before relaxing in your cozy hotel and look forward to tomorrow's adventure.

You'll stay overnight in Glenwood Springs famous for its hot springs before boarding the train for another day of adventure.

Overnight – Glenwood Springs- Meals BLD

## Aug 15 : Glenwood Springs to Moab

In the morning, you'll board the train for another day of incredible scenery as we head south west past mountain vistas, desert cliffs, and vibrant sandstone mountains. Enjoy a two-course hot breakfast as we pass by Parachute Creek and Mount Logan towards De Beque Canyon, a 15-mile long narrow canyon with stair-step cliffs of sedimentary rock layers.

As we continue west, look out for Mount Garfield. At 6,765 feet, it's the highest point of the Book Cliffs so it should be easy to spot! These sandstone mountains stretch nearly 200 miles from west to east – another great excuse to get your camera out!

Make sure you keep your camera close by as we pass Mount Garfield and the Book Cliffs.

Overnight Moab.

The route continues to follow the Colorado River as we approach one of the most majestic and colourful canyons along our journey. Admire the stunning red sandstone cliffs of Ruby Canyon, accessible only by train or from the river. This canyon is 25 miles long and is appropriately named after the vibrant ruby-toned cliffs that line the canyon walls.

After crossing over the Colorado-Utah state line, look out for Mount Peale. It's the highest point of the La Sal Mountains at 12,726 feet. Due to it's immense height, these mountains are usually snow-capped until early summer.

As we reach Moab, you'll be greeted by the brilliant sandstone mountains that the American Southwest is so famous for. You'll also get your first glimpse of the iconic Arches National Park; a 73,234-acre wonderland of geological marvels. Depart the train and travel to downtown Moab via a motorcoach transfer. Welcome to the scarlet city! Upon arrival into Moab, you'll be greeted by the sandstone mountains that the American Southwest is so famous for.

Overnight- Moab – La Quinta by Wyndham Moab or similar – Meals **B**

## **Aug 16 : Arches National Park & Canyonlands National Park**

This morning enjoy amazing National Parks starting with Arches National Park, see the world's largest concentration of natural sandstone arches as well as an astounding variety of geological formations. Dead Horse State Park contains many spectacular views of sediment deposits left behind by ancient oceans, freshwater lakes and streams. Next, arrive at Canyonlands National Park and travel to the Island in the Sky mesa, which rests on sheer sandstone cliffs over 1,000 feet above the surrounding terrain. Pass through the town of Moab, a popular filming location for western movies since the 1940's.

COLORADO JET BOAT NIGHTTIME DINNER AND SHOW, starting with a Dutch Oven dinner served on the banks of the Colorado River, followed by a jetboat cruise on the Moab Queen. The evening begins at 40,000 wats of light illuminating the canyon walls with cowboy and Indian tales with lights, sound and music.

Overnight – Moab - La Quinta by Wyndham Moab or similar – Meals **BD**

## **Aug 17: Mesa Verde National Park & Bar D Chuckwagon Dinner Show**

This morning we will travel to Mesa Verde National Park, best known as the home of the ancient and mysterious civilization. Visit the fascinating Spruce Tree Cliff Dwellings to see two of the largest cliff dwellings built between 1211 and 1278 by ancestors of the Pueblos. This evening enjoy the Bar D Chuckwagon dinner show.

Overnight – Durango – Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott – Meals **BD**

## **Aug 18: Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad**

Embark on an Incredible Journey Through the San Juan Mountains. For a truly unforgettable step back in time, enjoy a leisurely trip to yesteryear riding 6 hour from Durango to Silverton roundtrip. Spend some time in the historic mining town of Silverton to enjoy the sights, shopping, food, and libations that Silverton offers.

Overnight – Durango – Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott - Meals B

**Aug 19: Flight home.**

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Inclusions in above prices:

Airfare First Class Hotel Accommodations based on twin share. Rocky Mountaineer Silver Leaf and Narrow Gauge Railroad trip. All transfers and transportation are by private air-conditioned vehicles \* any individuals traveling outside of group arrangement must organize own transfers. Group tour manager throughout the land tour. Tours, sightseeing and admissions as per itinerary All applicable taxes Meals as indicated on the itinerary (6 Breakfasts-B - 1 Lunches-L - 3 Dinners-D)

Transportation from Wilkes Barre/Scranton is provided to the airport.

Flights can be scheduled from any airport on request possibly additional cost.

**Exclusions in above prices:** • Seat selection • Personal items • Optional Tours  
• Meals unless listed in itinerary \*\* Our hotels and itinerary may change but all inclusions and class of hotel will stay the same.

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