

FF Western Colorado Outbound Journey # 23192 June 11-17, 2023

This document contains links to areas and events that our FFK ambassadors might choose for some of our activities when we Journey to FF Western Colorado. More links will be added as time goes by. If you are interested in the journey, please e-mail Janis Robinson at jgr@utk.edu.

Grand Junction, CO: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grand_Junction%2C_Colorado

Museum of the Mountain West: <https://museumofthemountainwest.org/>

This is an historic, recreated western town with original buildings and furnishings. We can easily spend 4 hours just looking.

Palasade Area: <https://visitpalisade.com/wineries-and-spirits/>

For many, the word Colorado conjures up images of skiing, mountain streams and breathtaking wilderness. While Palisade boasts the beautiful landscapes that Colorado is famous for, it is also home to a unique gem - Colorado Wine Country. Known for its premier Colorado wineries, this quaint town nestled in the Grand Valley houses two-thirds of Colorado's vineyard acreage and more than one-quarter of Colorado wineries. Sitting atop artesian wells, which provide irrigation for the grape growers, the Grand Valley's microclimate of sunny days, dry air and cool nights work together to produce plump grapes for the area wineries. The result? Award-winning wines.

The Grand Mesa: <https://www.visitgrandjunction.com/guide-grand-mesa-largest-flat-top-mountain-world>

The Grand Mesa takes about an hour to get to the top. Half-way up the mountain is the quaint town of Mesa. We can stop there for coffee or even go to the Wagon Wheel Restaurant for a delicious angus or buffalo burger.

The National Monument, Grand Junction: <https://www.nps.gov/colm>

This is the website for The National Monument, Grand Junction. Hiking is strenuous but can be enjoyed by car. After crossing the Monument, we would end up in Fruita and can visit a couple of museums there.

Tour of downtown Grand Junction:

FFCO offers a day of touring downtown Grand Junction. Beginning at the Enstrom's Candy Factory, we could enjoy a 2+ hours scavenger hunt leisurely strolling the downtown area. We can also visit the shops, enjoy treats, visit with the owners and take lots of pictures. Also available is a drive through the historic parts of Grand Junction

Museum of Western Colorado in Fruita, CO: <https://museumofwesternco.com/>

- Dinosaur Journey
- Cross Orchards Historic Site

Museums of Grand Junction: <https://www.visitgrandjunction.com/grand-junction-museums>

The Arches National Park: <https://www.nps.gov/arch/index.htm>

Most visiting clubs have wanted to take a day trip to beautiful and unique Arches National Park and the town of Moab, Utah.

Ouray, CO and the Million Dollar Highway:

- City of Ouray: <https://www.cityofouray.com/>
Ouray is an historical mountain town that has many interesting shops and good restaurants. It is known as a hub of hiking and outdoor activities.
- The scenic Million Dollar Highway: <https://www.dangerousroads.org/north-america/usa/635-million-dollar-highway-usa.html>