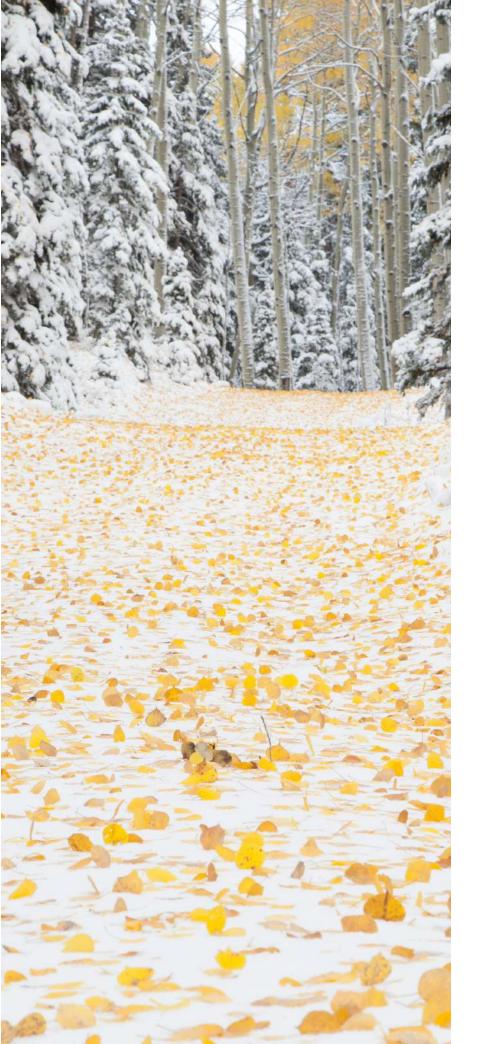


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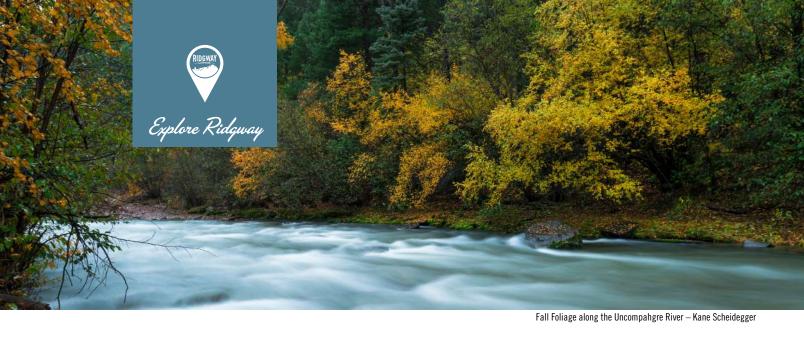
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## Welcome to Ridgway

idgway is a destination full of rich history, an array of arts and culture, and home to an engaged and friendly community. Whether you visit our area for leisure, business, or you're just passing through, Ridgway is ready to welcome you.

This Visitor's Guide will give you an inside look at everything our area has to offer. No matter the reason for your visit, I think you will find that Ridgway has even more to offer than you may have expected. Be sure to check out our great selection of restaurants, take a stroll through the Ridgway Farmers Market, or catch a show at the Sherbino Theater.

Outdoor enthusiasts have no shortage of choices when it comes to Ridgway. The Ridgway Area Trails are an amazingly accessible trail system, right in and around Ridgway, and provide residents and visitors with the opportunity to be as active as they desire. The Uncompangre River is a gem of a fly-fishing destination in our state. The river flows through

some of the state's best scenery and holds an excellent fishery below Ridgway Reservoir. Speaking of the reservoir, paddle boarding has become an extremely popular activity there, and I'd encourage you to check it out.

I spent part of my upbringing here on the Western

Slope, specifically in Ridgway. With tons of fond memories of this area and a passion for being outside, I was thrilled to have the opportunity late last year to move my family to Ridgway and become part of this wonderful community. My family absolutely loves this town and I'm positive that you will, too.

I hope that your visit is a memorable experience and you share it with others. We look forward to having you back in Ridgway soon!

Safe travels, Preston Neill Ridgway Town Manager



#### Meet Preston...

YEARS IN RIDGWAY: I spent a ton of time in Ridgway before moving here last year. I was very familiar with the fabric of the community and excited to become a part of it.

ROLE AS TOWN MANAGER: I oversee municipal operations and work to carry out the directives of the Town Council. I'm charged with ensuring that we maintain a high level of service delivery, remain responsive to our citizens, and work to meet their needs.

FAVORITE LOCAL DESTINATION: My favorite place to be, hands down, is wading in the Uncompangre River while trying to dupe a fish into eating an artificial fly off of my fishing line. I may not be the best fly fisherman, but I sure do relish being outside.

THINK OUTSIDE

MOST AMAZING VIEW: My vote is for the scenery up at Lake Otonowanda, off of County Road 5, and the absolutely fantastic panoramic view of the San Juan Mountains.

SOMETHING RARE ABOUT RIDGWAY: Ridgway was designated by the International Dark-Sky Association in July 2020, as the second Dark Sky Community on Colorado's Western Slope and only the third in the state due to its amazing, clear night-sky views.

## **Please Visit Safely & Responsibly**

esidents and businesses take great pride in our community and surrounding open spaces. We invite travelers to visit the Ridgway area, while considering ways to minimize your impacts and maximize local benefits. Traveling responsibly means educating yourself on outdoor recreation best practices, local ethics and community expectations.

#### **Know Before You Go**

Be prepared and be informed about your destination. Good preparation includes bringing along gear to keep you safe and reduce your impact, such as reusable water bottles to stay hydrated in our dry climate and avoid plastic waste.

#### Stick to the Trails

Whether you are on foot or in a motorized vehicle, stay on the trails and roads. Colorado's high alpine environment takes hundreds of years to regenerate, so even the smallest amount of impact can take a lifetime to recover.

### Trash the Trash

If you pack it in, pack it out. Pick up after yourself (and your dog) to leave a place better than you found it. Put litter, even nut shells, fruit peels and other food waste in your nearest waste/recycling bin.

#### Leave It as You Find It

Camp in designated areas only. That beautiful wildflower meadow is not the perfect spot for you to park a vehicle or tent.

#### Be Careful with Fire

Colorado's low humidity has perks, but can create dry, dangerous conditions. Keep campfires small and manageable to avoid sparking wildfires. Be sure to check local restrictions before traveling here.

## **Keep Wildlife Wild**

Colorado is home to tens of thousands of furry, scaly and feathered creatures. To keep them – and you – safe, remember to: leash your dogs, pack out waste and don't feed wildlife.

## **Share Our Parks & Trails**

Chances are you're not out in nature to people watch, so try out the lesser-known paths and sites. Minimize noise, such as music or cell phones, to keep the peaceful atmosphere and increase your chances of seeing wildlife.

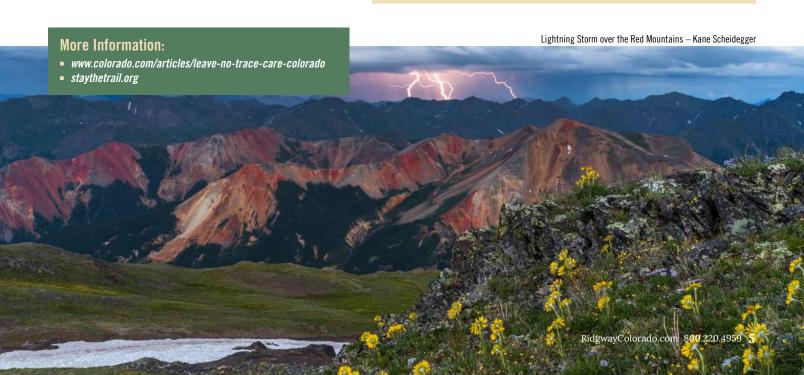


Night Skies - Cutler Connaughton

## **Be Prepared for Adventure**

The San Juan Mountains are a rugged and steep mountain range rising to just over 14,000 feet. These beautiful public lands offer a wide range of adventures year round. If you are interested in exploring the San Juans, be prepared for challenging terrain that sometimes requires technical expertise and knowledge of the area.

- Do Your Research: Come prepared by doing research online to find maps, rules and helpful guidance from public agencies and user-generated websites. Utilize local expertise when you get into town by stopping in at our local gear stores.
- Hire a Guide: We highly recommend working with our local guide services if you do not have technical expertise. The Ridgway area is home to experts who can help you achieve your goals for all types of adventures: climbing, skiing, OHV, canyoning, fishing, hiking, biking, and other recreation.
- Take a Course: Are you new to the backcountry? The San Juan Mountains offer up world-class outdoor recreation opportunities, but these mountains are serious business. Take a course in: backcountry skiing, avalanche safety, rock climbing, ice climbing, and other valuable outdoor skills.





Clinton Street activity – Elizabeth Riley

## Think Outside!

idgway is a welcoming, rural community situated in a beautiful mountain valley in the Mountains & Mesas travel region of Colorado. Our population of nearly 1,000 residents shares a deep connection to the outdoors. We support learning, creativity and culture. We are committed to being economically sustainable and ecologically responsible. Our town government supports water conservation, recycling and non-motorized transit. We have free hookups for electric cars at our public parking lot, and the Ridgway Community Garden promotes local, sustainable food production.

Before European settlement, the Ridgway area was part of a large territory where the native Ute people travelled seasonally, hunting and gathering food. The

Town of Ridgway was founded in 1890, as the headquarters of the world famous Rio Grande Southern More than our area's spectacular scenic narrow gauge railroad to serve the beauty will take your breath away. area's rich silver and gold mines, Elevations just within Ouray County vary

ranches and farms.

Today local museums and celebrations preserve the history of the now defunct railroad and the heritage of traditional ranching lifestyles. The remaining pastures surrounded by public lands and wilderness provide

picturesque habitat for an amazing wildlife presence, from the elk and deer to the diverse birds and bald eagles. Trails for walkers, hikers, bikers and winter sports enthusiasts crisscross the area, creating an outdoor recreation wonderland. At the center of it all is downtown Ridgway, the hub of arts, entertainment, wellness activities, education, and a vibrant "foodie" culture.

## Ridgway's Geography & Climate

TIME ZONE: Mountain Standard

COORDINATES: latitude 38.1526° W; longitude 107.7556° N

ELEVATION: 6.985 feet

CLIMATE: 243 Sunny Days/Year

ANNUAL PRECIPITATION: snowfall: 85 inches; rainfall: 16 inches

SUMMER TEMPERATURES: days: 70s/80s; nights: 50s WINTER TEMPERATURES: days: Teens to 40s; nights: 0 to 20s

Ridgway is the ideal base camp for so many adventures. Our slogan is "Think Outside!" And you'll see why as you experience the multifaceted nature, culture, food, activities and attractions that surround you here. Whether you are an outdoor enthusiast, gourmand, history buff or art lover, Ridgway, Colorado has it all. Come and explore the diversity of what we offer!

When you're looking for the exhilaration of outdoor recreation, the serenity of pristine alpine beauty or the inspiration of cultural exploration, Ridgway, Colorado is your destination. Our small-town hospitality is a blend of the spirit of the Old West, healthy lifestyles and laid-back, friendly folks. We welcome you to explore and discover Ridgway in every season! Be sure to stop by the Ridgway Visitors Center for great seasonal activity suggestions for your whole family.



Ridgway Library - Tanya Ishikawa

**Local's Tip:** 

from 6,340 feet at our northern county

Uncompangre Peak. Altitude sickness

is a real condition, and can especially

acclimated, drink plenty of water, and

affect visitors, so take time to get

start your stay with good rest.

line to 14,321 feet at our highest point,



town's main street says a lot about the community – bringing to life the heritage and authenticity of the area and inspiring creative energy and pride. Filled with unique businesses, excellent restaurants and fantastic views, Ridgway's downtown is one of the few in Colorado to be both a state-certified Creative District and a Designated Main Street Community.

Our award as a 2015 Colorado Main Street of the Year recognized the town's efforts on downtown revitalization and beautification, combined with historic preservation. Never satisfied to rest on our laurels, the town government worked with a wide cross section of the community to complete a master plan update in 2018, and the resulting vision for future growth and development will ensure the sustainability of our most popular assets.

The Ridgway Area Chamber of Commerce is focused on visitor opportunities throughout the year. Diverse adventures continue to be offered in constantly evolving landscapes, full of discoveries. Travelers of all ages can get away from the crowds to enjoy a variety of recreational options, accommodations, shops, galleries, restaurants, and entertainment. A unique

selection of businesses and hospitality providers are ready to welcome you and invite you to explore year round.

To help guests feel welcome and informed, Ridgway has placed town maps and historic photos around the central business district. Plus, the town is working on new signs and facilities at Heritage Park and the Visitors Center, the town's gateway at the intersection of Highways 550 and 62. In 2021, the plan is to finalize irrigation and tree plantings in Heritage Park.



Hartwell Park - Credit: Alpenglow CoHousing

## **NEW AMENITIES**

Ridgway Public Library Expansion: The newly expanded Ridgway Public Library welcomes residents and visitors year around. The outdoor seating area is available 24 hours a day along with free Wi-Fi. The library also provides access to computers, printing and scanning. We have a number of magazines and newspapers to enjoy during a library visit. Our additional space offers a large area for children and teens to enjoy our books, toys and games. The Friends of Ridgway Library has a donation shelf at the front entrance of the library to browse used books and magazines.

Ridgway Athletic Park Pavilion: An anonymous donor approached the Town in early 2019 to build a pavilion at the Ridgway Athletic Park. After fundraising, a community design process, and construction in the summer of 2020, the beautiful pavilion opened to the public at the end of 2020. Go enjoy some shade and shelter in the pavilion with some of the most spectacular views in the valley! The pavilion can be accessed from Chipeta Drive, by walking south on the path near the gazebo and tennis courts or by driving along Ouray County Road 23. To plan a gathering at the pavilion, call Town Hall at 970-626-5308.



Full Moon Cross-

Ridgway Farmers Market

## Ridgway Area Event Calendar

#### **EARLY 2021**

Avalanche & Backcountry Skiing Trainings January-February San Juan Skijoring January Ouray Ice Festival JANUARY Guided Snowshoe Tour of the Red Mtn. Mining District FEBRUARY MountainFilm on Tour FEBRUARY dZi Speaker Series at the Sherbino FEBRUARY Winter Sports Camp for Athletes with Adaptive Needs FEBRUARY Cattleman's Association

#### YEAR-ROUND EVENTS

Dinner & Dance FEBRUARY

Art openings, 610 Arts Collective ARTbar evening art workshops Dance and fitness classes Ridgway Library art exhibitions Historic tours Live music Live theater and dance performances Movie nights Meet and Greet Events for Creatives **Ouray County Performing Arts Guild concerts** Outdoor education/training programs Photography workshops SherbNerds Trivia Nights Sherb Talks Lecture Series True Grit Walking Tour Visual and performing arts workshops for adults and children

Country Ski FEBRUARY Ouray County Arts Association Winter Arts & Crafts Show FEBRUARY Paradox Sports Adaptive Ice Climbing Clinics FEBRUARY SPRING 2021 Guided Winter Wildlife Tour on Snowshoes MARCH Bow Wow Film Festival hosted by Second Chance Humane Society MARCH Open Bard Poetry Readings MARCH-APRIL Earth Day Celebration at Ridgway State Park APRIL Sherbino Theatre Company

spring production APRIL UpstART Theater that moves spring production MAY ROCC Parking Lot Sale MAY The Ridgway 1K: Rally Thru the Alley MAY Love Your Valley Festival MAY The Iron Lung & the lives saved exhibit at Ranch History Museum MAY Ridgway Farmers Market (Friday) MAY 28

#### **SUMMER 2021**

Jimbo Dance & Fundraiser JUNE Michael McCullough Amateur Sculpting Contest JUNE Ouray Women's Club Rummage Sale JUNE Ouray County Geology Tour JUNE Ridgway Area Trails RAT Fest JUNE Ridgway RiverFest JUNE Sherbino Theatre Company's summer production JUNE Trail Town 10-Miler JUNE Weehawken Dance Spring Performances June Adventure Wednesdays, Voyager Youth Program JUNE-AUGUST First Fridays in Ridgway JUNE-AUGUST Ridgway Farmers Market (Fridays) JUNE-AUGUST Ridgway State Park Nature Detectives (for children) JUNE-AUGUST Ridgway State Park programs for all ages JUNE-AUGUST Sherb Travel Talks JUNE-AUGUST Outdoor movies JUNE-AUGUST Gymkhana Series, Ouray County Fairgrounds JUNE-AUGUST Historic Ranch Tour of Dallas Divide & Luncheon JULY Ridgway Concert Series JULY

## For specific event dates and times, please visit

- ridgwaycolorado.com/news-events/events
- www.alpenglowarts.com/ouray-county-events-and-specialscal

**Events may be** cancelled or postponed due to COVID-19, so please confirm event information with each organization.

Sherbino Theater Company Sherbino Night Live Summer Edition JULY

Weehawken Roval Actors' Summer Theatre Performances at the Sherbino IIII

Weehawken Young People's Theatre Camps JULY

Log Hill Hustle Fun Run/Walk AUGUST

Mt. Sneffels Education Foundation Marathon & Half-Marathon Run/Walk AUGUST

Mountainfilm on Tour AUGUST

Nighttime Photography Workshop AUGUST

Ouray Canyoning Festival AUGUST

Ridgway Rendezvous Arts & Crafts Festival AUGUST

San Juan Chamber Music Fest AUGUST

### **FALL 2021**

Imogene Pass Run SEPTEMBER Love Your Gorge day, Ouray Ice Park SEPTEMBER

Ouray County 4-H Fair & Rodeo SEPTEMBER

Ouray County Railroad Days SEPTEMBER

Ouray Mountain Trail Run SEPTEMBER

Ourock! Festival (Ouray Climbers Alliance) SEPTEMBER

Ranch History Museum Heritage Gallery Show & Demonstrations SEPTEMBER

Ridgway Old West Fest SEPTEMBER Ridgway Spirit Fest SEPTEMBER Star Party at Ridgway State Park SEPTEMBER

UpsART Theater that moves fall production SEPTEMBER

Weehawken's Sneffels Fiber Arts Festival SEPTEMBER

Fall photography workshops SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER

Ridgway Farmers Market (Fridays) SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER

Firkin Fest West OCTOBER

Halloween at the Sherbino october

Paint-in-the-Park Plein Air Event october

Ranch History Museum Fresh Wreath & Garland Fundraiser october

Sherbino Theater Company Fall Show october

Uncompangre River Cleanup at Pa-Co-Chu-Puk october

## END-OF-YEAR **HOLIDAY SEASON 2021**

Nonprofit Holiday Bazaar NOVEMBER

Ouray County Nordic Council Banquet NOVEMBER

Ridgway Independent Film Fest NOVEMBER

Santa Paws Fundraiser for Second Chance Humane Society NOVEMBER

Weehawken Royal Actors' Youth Theatre Fall Production NOVEMBER

Avalanche & Backcountry Skiing Trainings DECEMBER

**Ouray County Chorus** Holiday Concert DECEMBER

Ridgway Noel Night DECEMBER

Weehawken Dance Holiday Performances DECEMBER

Weehawken's Family Gingerbread House Decorating Workshop DECEMBER

New Year's Eve Celebrations DECEMBER





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Cimarron Art Glass - Elizabeth Riley

## A Creative District Dedicated to Artistic Expression

n Ridgway, our built and curated landscapes reflect the respect we have for our history and beautiful natural scenery. To further enhance our business districts and parks, a variety of artistic installations are strategically placed, creating fun routes of discovery. Colorful blooming flowers in containers around the downtown area are overseen by a group of volunteers who are dedicated to beautifying our public spaces.

Our Creative District status, re-certified in 2018, recognizes our thriving artistic and maker community. Ridgway has flourished as a statedesignated Creative District since 2013, recognized for the high percentage of talented artisans and creators who make their homes, studios, and businesses here. Galleries feature an eye-popping



Bluecorn Beeswax - Elizabeth Riley

array of ceramics, metalwork, photography, mixedmedia works, pottery, paintings, sculptures, art glass, and authentic Native American crafts, with works by national and regional artists as well. Even the Ridgway Library and Town Hall display fantastic art exhibitions.

Ridgway is part of the Colorado Creative Corridor, a 331-mile route through a handful of state-certified Creative District destinations, connecting Ridgway to four towns for a collective cultural experience. Our unique event programming and activities are featured alongside mountain town eclecticism, majestic vistas, outdoor recreation, and authentic Colorado mountain culture.

Galleries, studios and shops throughout Ridgway specialize in truly unique gifts. Everyone in the family can score just the right souvenir or present to bring to friends and relatives - from African artwork to collectible rocks, children's toys, chic clothing, jewelry, home décor with a mountain-town twist, and more. Plus, a diverse set of craftspeople are known for metal sculptures and utensils, beeswax candles, custom guitars and jewelry, handmade furniture, blown glass, and eco-friendly instrument cases.

The Town of Ridgway is working with nationally acclaimed architects to design our Space to Create, a planned live/work building for creative entrepreneurs. Hopes are to break ground in spring 2021, to construct a building with one- and twobedroom housing units and a common area for artist use. Pardon our dust on Clinton Street, as we work on a critically needed affordable housing facility that will enliven our downtown.



Alice Billings, The Horse Lady - Elizabeth Riley

## **Be Guided by Your Imagination**

## **Sculptures and Public Art**

Ridgway's trails, parks and sidewalks feature a menagerie of public art, including more than 20 enchanting sculptures. Our love for local wildlife is exhibited by the many bronze creatures such as three eagles of varying sizes. Public Art in Ridgway (PARC) is responsible for the largest number of sculptures, with most installations in Hartwell Park and a few in the historic firehouse yard. For a map of public art locations: www.publicartridgwayco.org/Walking-Tour.php.

## **Alley Poetry & Art**

Late Ridgway sculptor Michael McCullough started making and installing signs with poetry and art in alleys around town several years ago, and the community has continued the creative effort. Alley Poetry and Alley Art are meant to stop you in mid-stride: read them aloud, to yourself... slowly, quickly, photograph and Instagram them, and just enjoy them. Discover more about them at www.facebook.com/editorinsheaf.

## **Amateur Sculpting Contest**

Michael McCullough's Amateur Sculpting Contest attracts sculptors as young as 14 to turn five pounds of clay into a masterpiece in just two hours. Local sculptor and Grammy award maker John Billings, together with Sculpture House and Weehawken Creative Arts, will present the 8th annual contest on June 6, 2021. If you're in town, get creative and enter the contest, or just join as a spectator to watch the magic form. Information: www.facebook.com/ridgwaysculpture



Alley Art - Tanya Ishikawa

610 Arts Collective and The Courtyard at 610 610 Clinton St. Ridgway, CO 81432 970.318.0150 www.610arts.com

AMY LEINER DESIGNS amyleiner@comcast.net 203.809.0369 amyleinerdesigns.com Kane Scheidegger Studio 133 N. Lena St. Ridgway, CO 81432 970.901.4880 www.kane.gallery

Mountain Girl Gallery 609 Clinton St. Ridgway, CO 81432 970.318.0382 www.facebook.com/ mountaingirlgallery River Stone Jazz sax performance in the Ridgway area yasuo@riverstonejazz.com 303.819.7652 www.riverstonejazz.com

Sherbino Theater 604 Clinton St. Ridgway, CO 81432 970.318.0892 sherbino.org Ouray County Performing Arts Guild P.O. Box 14 Ouray, CO 81427 970.626.2970 ocpag.org

Weehawken Creative Arts 1075 Sherman St. Ridgway, C0 81432 970.318.0150 weehawkenarts.org





Clinton Street Art & Restaurants - Elizabeth Riley

## **A Lively Cultural & Entertainment Scene**

Ridgway is a vibrant, creative community that thrives on our inspiring setting, with many arts and entertainment venues and events where artists and performers display their talents. Our rich, year-round cultural scene is sure to stimulate your mind, touch your heart and excite your senses.

From turn-of-the century theaters to outdoor stages, local and national musicians, singers, actors, comedians, magicians, and dancers display their talents and experts share local history and international issues. Many events are free or admission is \$20 or less.

See previous page for contact information for the listed organizations and events.

Ridgway loves its festivals as much as nearby festival capital Telluride. Yes, we have music festivals and even our own Independent Film Festival, but we also mix outdoor adventure and our popular past-times into our festivals. Ridgway RiverFest, Spirit Fest, Firkin Fest (beer!), R.A.T. (Ridgway Area Trails) Fest, and Sneffels Fiber Arts Festival are just a few examples.

Visitors are welcome to join locals at workshops and classes for every imaginable art form from dance and

theater to glass blowing and painting, offered by various cultural organizations. Known for its dance classes that produce talented young performers, Weehawken Creative Arts also has drop-in dance, yoga and Zumba classes for various ages. Theater workshops often run for just a few weeks providing the opportunity for families on longer vacations to get involved. Many visual art and writing classes are

geared for adults, and offered in one or two sessions to easily fit into a vacation plan. The genres are limitless with professional artists guiding the classes as students create everything from mosaic art and painted landscapes to prose and journals.

### Theater and Art on Clinton Street

The Sherbino Theater, 610 Arts Collective and The Courtyard at 610 (new in 2020) are lively spaces where art, creativity and community thrive. Each year the popular venues, operated and owned by the nonprofit Ridgway Chautauqua Society, host more than 120 programs! Events include live music events, classes, lectures, theater productions, comedy, film, literary readings, gallery exhibitions, and special fundraising events.

#### San Juan Chamber Music Festival

Each August, the Ouray County Performing Arts Guild organizes a chamber music festival under the artistic direction of world-renowned concert pianist Max Levinson. The festival features evening concerts and master classes for students. The guild also sponsors a series of musical salons and classical and world music concerts throughout the year.

### Ridgway Rendezvous Arts and Crafts Festival

The Rendezvous comes to Ridgway's beautiful Hartwell Park on the second weekend of every August. This festival showcases fine arts and original crafts from up to 140 talented vendors from across the country, combined with music, food and drink, making it one of the most highly anticipated art shows on Colorado's Western Slope.





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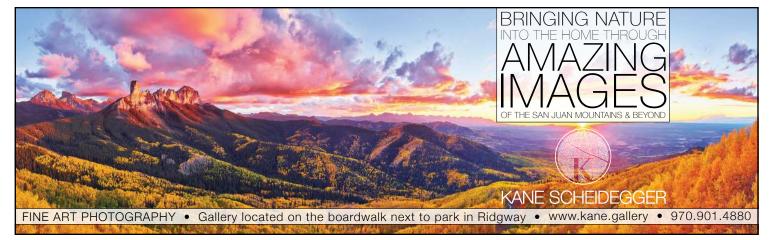
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Jumping for Joy above the San Juans - Kane Scheidegger

## Mind, Body & Spirit – a Destination for Whole Health

outhwest Colorado is a hub for wellness professionals and services. Whether you seek relaxation and rejuvenation from massages, hot springs and other health resort amenities, or you are looking for an expert chiropractor, nutritionist or other holistic medicine practitioner, Ridgway delivers. Our lodges have pools, saunas, steam rooms, and hot tubs. We have specialists in natural and homeopathic medicine, and massage therapists trained in a variety of techniques, including deep tissue, Swedish, hot stone, aromatherapy, and pediatric massage. Need a little high altitude relief? Balance Natural Medicine even has a hyperbaric oxygen therapy.

You can also find yoga, dance and fitness classes from Pilates to spinning - available online as well. Ridgway is home to personal trainers - many who are world-class athletes in a variety of sports disciplines. Indoors and outdoors, drop-in classes, retreats, special trainings and workshops are offered. Whether you are a local or a visitor, the area has a lot to offer to those seeking a little guidance plus a bit of positive comradery while maintaining or increasing fitness levels, or preparing for upcoming athletic competitions.



Wholeness Massage - Melissa Countryman

**Balance Natural Medicine** 177 Sherman St. Suite #101 Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.7137 balancenaturalmedicine.com

Chipeta Solar Springs Resort & Spa 304 S. Lena Street Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.3737 chipeta.com

Ridgway Pilates 970.628.5744 www.ridgwaypilates.com **Wholeness Massage** 640 Sherman St. Suite J Ridgway, CO 81432 303.726.2807 ridgwaywholenessmassage.com



**Orvis Hot Springs** 

## Relax & Rejuvenate at World-Famous Hot Springs

nown for our sunny skies and healing waters, the Ridgway area is the perfect destination for revitalizing your body and soul. Throughout the year, you can soak in the area's hot springs - a centuries-old tradition. Nothing tops off a winter day like a soak in our sulfur-free hot springs, some shopping downtown, a warm meal and drink at one of our cozy restaurants, and a soft bed to fall into.

With seven soaking areas (four outside and three inside), a sauna and natural landscaping, Orvis Hot Springs in Ridgway offers a variety of experiences for the avid soaker. The waters in the clothingoptional hot springs have seven main naturally-occurring minerals with various health benefits. The waters, ranging from 90 degrees to 112 degrees Fahrenheit, are highly sought after for their lithium content and its soothing, stress-melting effects.

**Orvis Hot Springs** 1585 County Rd. 3 Ridgway, C0 81432 970.626.5324 orvishotsprings.com

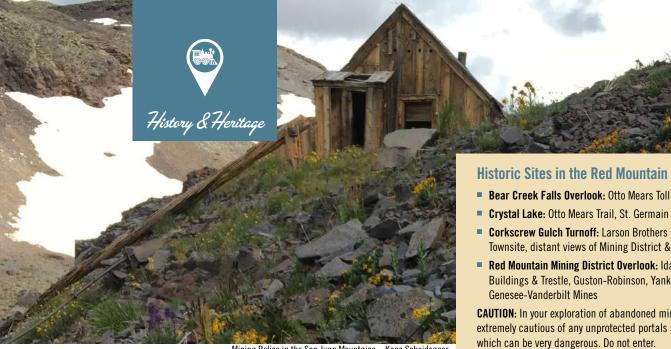
**Box Canyon Lodge & Hot Springs**45 Third Ave. Ouray, CO 81427 970.325.4981 www.boxcanyonouray.com



Chipeta Solar Springs Spa

In operation since 1927, the Ouray Hot Springs Pool provides relaxation, family fun and amazing views of the surrounding peaks and dramatic sunsets and starry skies. A multimillion-dollar renovation project, completed in 2018, expanded soaking pools, play areas and accessibility for all users. All pools offer sulfur-free mineral water, and range from 96 to 106 degrees Fahrenheit.

You can also find more secluded and private soaking at hot springs in area hotels. Most can be accessed with or without an overnight stay.



Mining Relics in the San Juan Mountains — Kane Scheidegger

## **Historic Sites in the Red Mountain Mining District**

- Bear Creek Falls Overlook: Otto Mears Toll Road history
- Crystal Lake: Otto Mears Trail, St. Germain Foundation
- Corkscrew Gulch Turnoff: Larson Brothers Mine & Ironton Townsite, distant views of Mining District & Joker Tunnel
- Red Mountain Mining District Overlook: Idarado Mine, Buildings & Trestle, Guston-Robinson, Yankee Girl &

CAUTION: In your exploration of abandoned mine sites, be extremely cautious of any unprotected portals and shafts,

## Railroads, Mining, Ranching, Western Movies & More

he Ridgway area offers something for every history buff, from picturesque, wooden, miningera buildings to scenic ranches and world-class museums. Prior to the mining and ranching era of the 1860s to 1950s, the valley and mountains were the homeland of the native Utes. As mining grew, so did the ranching and railroad industries that supported it. Today, the Ridgway area celebrates our unique Western heritage with museums and attractions

> dedicated to mining, railroading, ranching and the Utes.

## **Historic Experiences Further Afield**

- Explore the Ouray County Museum
- Discover yesteryear at Ouray Alchemist Pharmaceutical Museum
- Ride on the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad
- Tour the historic Bachelor Syracuse Mine Tour in Ouray and the Old Hundred Mine in Silverton

### Ridgway Railroad Museum

Dedicated to preserving railroading history in Ouray County, the Ridgway Railroad Museum is run solely by volunteers. The outdoor exhibits were moved to Railroad Street north of the Ouray County Ranch History Museum in 2018. The train collection includes eight narrow gauge cars: a caboose, stock car, box car, drop-bottom gondola, passenger gondola, RGS passenger coach 252, business car, and a water service car, plus a replica of the Rio Grande Southern (RGS) Motor Car No.

1, a Model T Ford based track inspection car, and a maintenance of way car. Restored RGS Galloping Goose No. 4 is on display except during the summer when it is in Telluride. Rides are given on Motor Car

Ridgway Railroad Museum 200 N. Railroad St., P.O. Box 588, Ridgway, CO 81432 www.ridgwayrailroadmuseum.org

No. 1 along a half-mile track on Saturdays, summer to early fall. The indoor displays, moving to the historic depot building on Railroad Street in 2021, include a historic diorama of Ridgway's rail yard plus many historic photos and artifacts.

## **Ghost Towns of the San Juan Mountains**

You can really experience local history by exploring nearby ghost towns with their weathered mine headframes and leaning bunkhouses. Deep in the backcountry of the San Juan Mountains, they are generally only accessible by dirt road on foot or fourwheel drive. You can photograph not only the history but also the amazing natural surroundings, from bright fall colors to snowy winter landscapes. (If visiting after snow falls, you will need snowshoes or cross-country skis for access.) Bring along a guide or local history book, available for purchase at bookstores, gift shops and museums, to make history come alive.



Ridgway Railroad Museum

# **Explore Our Rich Frontier Past**



San Juan Skijoring

eathered by snowy winters and sunny summers, but preserved by local storytellers and curators, our collection of frontier artifacts and historic homesteads awaits your discovery. Historical points of interest and museums can be accessed by strolls around our business districts and scenic drives around the area.

## **Ouray County Ranch History Museum**

A project that began in 2002, with recording interviews of local ranch family histories, evolved into the Ouray County Ranch History Museum in 2006. Spending its first 10 years in the Colona schoolhouse,

**Other Historic Activities** 

- Take a self-guided historic walking tour of downtown Ridgway
- Investigate the historical grave markers of Ouray County's most famous residents at Cedar Hill, Dallas Park and Colona Cemeteries
- Arrange for a tour of the Historic Beaumont and Western Hotels in Ouray
- Search out haunted history
- Visit the realistic old west town buildings in the Museum of the Mountain West in Montrose

the museum moved artifacts, both large and small, into the Ridgway Depot building, where an expansive collection has grown with regularly donated artifacts. A sampling of the museum's exhibits include: family history exhibits, a schoolroom, a Victorian-era bedroom. the land-&-water room, a kitchen, a pantry, a tool and tack room, and a section highlighting the Western movies created in our area. The museum has future plans to build a new museum complex,

which is set to occupy 9.5 acres of long-term leased land north of the Depot building, between the Ridgway Library and the Uncompander River. When the new ranch museum building is complete, the Railroad Museum will have the opportunity to move fully into the Depot, creating a large campus of Ridgway's ranching and railroad heritage.

Ouray County Ranch History Museum 321 Sherman St., Ridgway, CO 81432 970.316.1085 www.ocrhm.org

## **Ouray County Fairgrounds**

These fair and rodeo grounds are more than 125 years old, but have been renovated to provide a comfortable community gathering place for a variety of events. Just south of the intersection of highways 550 and 62, the outdoor facilities and indoor event center host barbecues, classic car shows, holiday bazaars, conferences, and workshops. The two most popular events, attracting competitors and spectators from far and wide, are the Ouray County Fair & Rodeo with its horse and bull-riding competitions and livestock shows and San Juan Skijoring with its horse-pulled skier and snowboarder races on a snow track.



Ouray County Ranch History Museum

#### **Native American Culture**

Many geographic features in the Uncompander Valley, where Ridgway is located, are named in the language of the Utes, the area's early inhabitants. The valley and the river that runs through it are named Uncompander, which

named Uncompahgre, which has sometimes been translated to hot water spring and red water. While few artifacts of their culture remain in the Ridgway area, the Ute Indian Museum is at the southern edge of Montrose, a short drive from Ridgway on Highway 550. Visit this cultural center to see artifacts and learn about the Ute people and nearby archaeological sites.

TRAVEL TIPS: Visiting historic sites and our family-friendly museums is a wonderful way to inspire your kids' imaginations. Give each child a camera and let them be your family photojournalist during your trip; you may be surprised what their eyes pick up.



Ridgway Western Heritage Society/Edward Bovy

## **Visit Famous Filming Location**

he Ridgway area is a favorite among film buffs, especially Western lovers. The rugged peaks, steep canyons, rustic mine buildings and historic landmarks make you feel as though you are still in the Old West. Many film sites, buildings, props and embellishments may still be seen around the area today.

Our iconic mountains and charming historic small towns have been the backdrop for more than 100 films over the years, including classic Westerns such as the original production of True Grit starring John Wayne. For that iconic film, the Town of Ridgway was turned into Fort Smith, Arkansas, where Judge Isaac Parker, the famous "hanging judge" held court.

> Ouray's historic courthouse, the meadows on Owl Creek Pass, and a homestead on Dallas Divide were also featured.

Ridgway's biggest Hollywood name to make his home and mark here was Billy Dennis Weaver, the late, Emmy Awardwinning American actor. He was best known for his work in television, including roles in Gunsmoke, McCloud and Steven Spielberg's movie, Duel. Weaver and his family contributed greatly to our community, building the big barn live entertainment venue, that is now the Ridgway Christian Center, and their energy-efficient Earthship

home. Their most lasting legacy is 80-acre Dennis Weaver Memorial Park (see page #).



A self-guided tour to landmarks from the filming of the famous Western is available year round. See the

- Tribute to a Bad Man (1956, Ridgway) James Cagney
- How the West Was Won (1962, Ridgway, Montrose, Silverton, Durango) - Henry Fonda, John Wayne, Gregory Peck, James Stewart and Debbie Reynolds
- True Grit (1969, Ridgway, Ouray, Montrose, Gunnison) John Wayne, Glenn Campbell, Robert Duvall, and Dennis Hopper
- Over the Top (1987, Ouray) Sylvester Stallone
- Dennis Weaver's Earthship (1990, Ridgway) Dennis Weaver
- The Sunchaser (1996, Ouray) Woody Harrelson
- Alferd Packer: The Musical aka Cannibal! The Musical (1993, Ouray, Lake City, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park) - Stan Brakhage
- Darling Companion (2012, Telluride) Kevin Klein and Diane Keaton
- Flow State (2012, San Juan Mountains) Warren Miller
- The Hateful Eight (2015, Telluride)- Quentin Tarantino and an all-star cast

map at ridgwaycolorado.com/things-to-do/historyheritage/true-grit-walking-tours. To hear interesting facts and anecdotes about those two months in 1968, when Ridgway was transformed into the True Grit film set, you can also join a guided tour. The tour departs from the Ridgway Visitors Center every Saturday, June to September. Groups of six or more may schedule a tour anytime throughout the year. For cost, time and reservations, call 970-626-5181.

#### Ridgway Old West Fest

Each fall, the Old West Fest celebrates Ridgway's movie, ranching and railroad heritage in three jampacked, fun-filled days. The event, scheduled on September 24 to 26 in 2021, includes informative presentations on a variety of theme-related topics along with demonstrations, rides, contests, games, tours, movies, food, and a concert. Some of these will focus on "the Duke" in honor of Wayne's appearance in True Grit.

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Outdoor dining and drinks- Elizabeth Riley

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> tacos, unique bar and grill restaurants, specialty breakfast and sandwich spots, and more. Multiple award-winning chefs and food innovators make the Ridgway area one of the Western Slope's up-andcoming foodie destinations.



Even with a small population of about 1,000 residents, Ridgway boasts more than a dozen restaurants, dessert shops, cafes, and not one chain restaurant! This means each business competes for customers by developing original, unique menus specially designed by talented chefs. From fancy French cuisine to freshly made Mexican dishes, our restaurants offer diverse options for discerning palates.



Whether you call yourself a beer snob or prefer the term beer lover, the length of the beer lists found at local restaurants is sure to please. From good old American standards to Asian and South American brands, local beer variety also includes some unique European offerings as well as regional and local brews. Colorado Boy Pub & Brewery is our homegrown craft brewer, offering a variety of beers including ales, ciders and stouts, served in many sizes.

### Fresh Food Discoveries Await

When it comes to offering amazing food discoveries, Ridgway delivers with markets and restaurants specializing in local and organic foods. From European and American to South American and Asian, we offer a surprisingly large selection of diverse menus. Our residents thrive on fabulous food, which makes our town a great place for visitors to experience local food culture. Keeping up with the farm-to-table trend, many of our markets, restaurants and festivals source locally produced meats (including yak), dairy products, vegetables, fruits and herbs. Our area is also home to a variety of culinary artists from coffee roasters to ice cream and chocolate makers.





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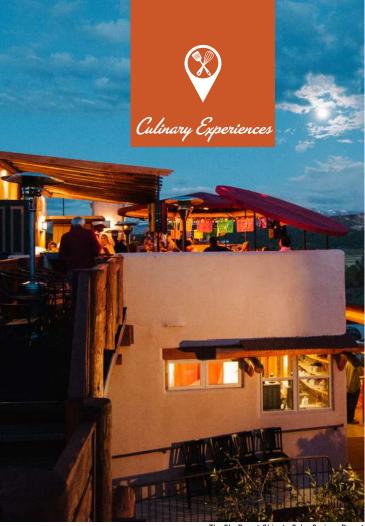
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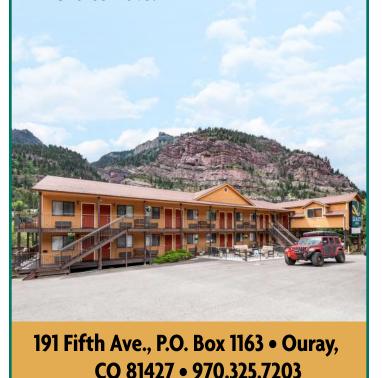
## **Coop Farmstand**

Weekly, you can pick up your locally grown and produced groceries at the Coop Farmstand in front of Eatery 66 on the corner of Sherman and Lena streets in Ridgway. Visit with the friendly farmers, who offer a variety of fruits, vegetables and meats from local growers in the Uncompangre Valley. This is a great shopping option for anyone, especially those making the commute through Ridgway or who can't make it to the Friday farmers market.



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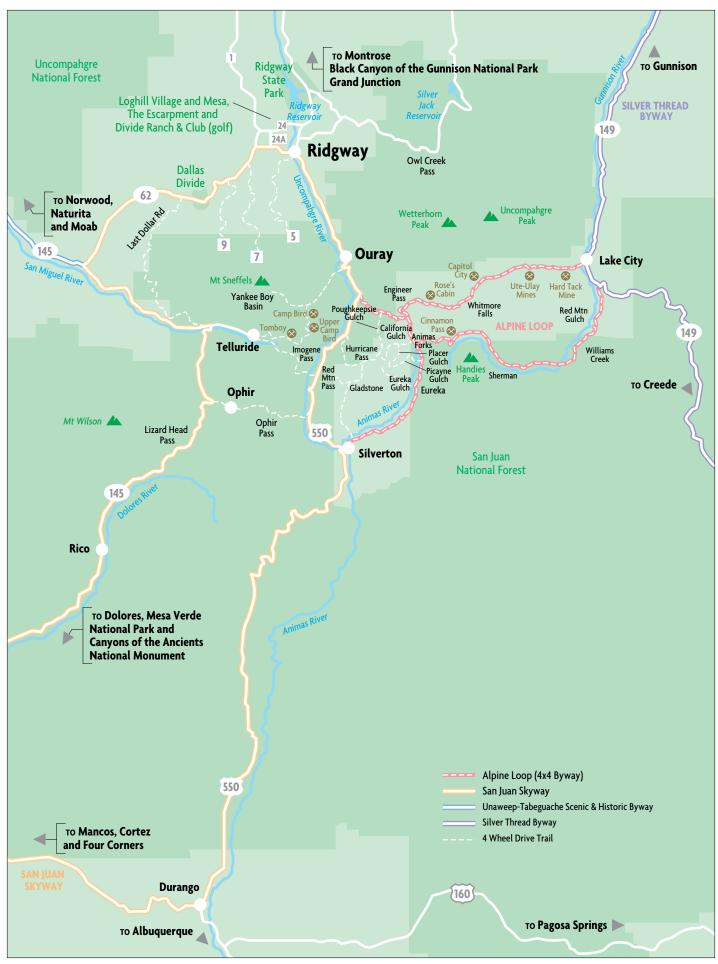
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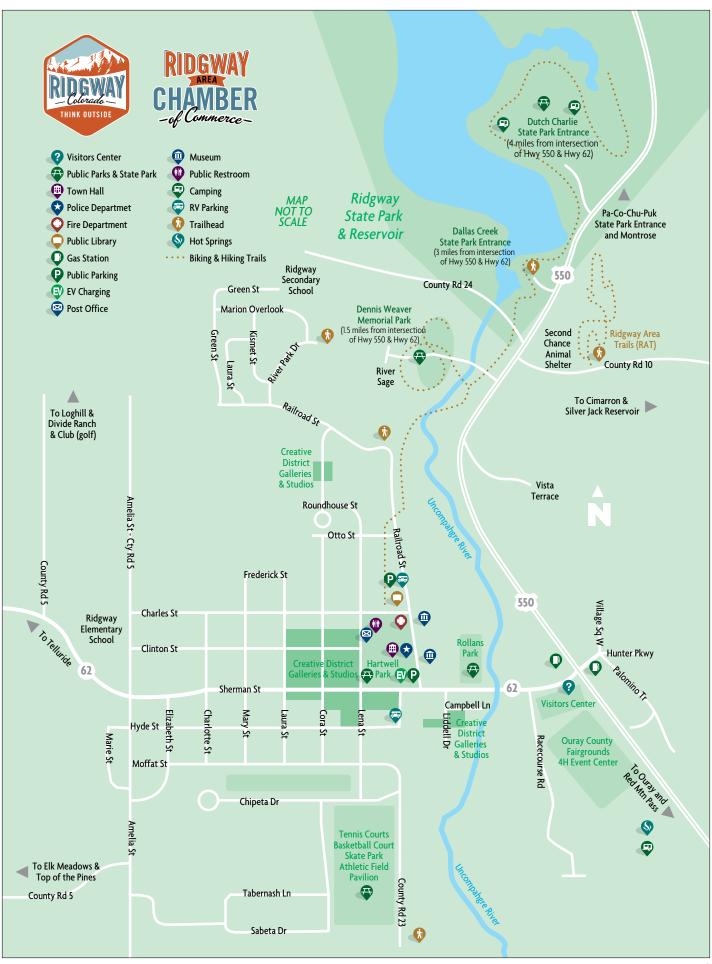


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## **Recreational Choices for All Seasons**

rand landscapes rise up to clear, sunny skies by day and star-filled wonder by night. Mountain springs, waterfalls, streams and lakes connect an outdoor playground with almost limitless possibility. The Ridgway area has all the elements to create great adventures and amazing memories. Outdoor activities include hiking, biking, rafting, kayaking, sailing, windsurfing, stand up



Kane Scheidegger

paddle boarding, fishing, camping, wildlife viewing, horseback riding, rock and ice climbing, peak bagging, jeeping, hunting, backcountry Nordic and alpine skiing, and snowshoeing.

Our natural beauty is accessible at night as well. Being surrounded by so many public lands and wilderness, the Ridgway area has some of the best night sky views in America if not the world. In fact, Ridgway is an international Dark Sky Community, recognized for the visibility of celestial features. Be sure to make time for an evening outing or hot springs soak under the brilliant moon and stars and silhouetted mountain peaks.

Whether you're day-tripping on our area's trails, back roads, rivers and reservoirs, or finding refreshment at our natural hot springs, restaurant patios and outdoor festivals, you'll have fantastic scenery and the ultimate experiences in the Ridgway area. Adventures begin on the valley floor, box

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canyon and high mesas with epic views of the Cimarron and San Juan mountain ranges. Then, plan to embark on short or long journeys up into the alpine wonderland of tree-covered ridges, cliffs and stony peaks.

All year long, Ouray County is full of out-of-theordinary adventures for the whole family. From rocks that sparkle and aspen trees with eyes to wildlife and water in many forms, our landscapes have endless opportunities for discovery. The San Juan Mountains are the perfect destination where young people can explore and ignite their imaginations. Nonprofit organizations like Treeline Education and Voyager Youth Program offer various outdoor activities for local students and visiting youth to learn and develop their athletic skills, scientific understanding and leadership abilities in our amazing classrooms without walls. See page 47 for education nonprofit contact information.





Spring Sunset on Dallas Divide - Kane Scheidegger

Uncompangre River, and home to eagles, blue heron, deer, foxes and more. Gifted to Ridgway by the Weaver family, the park's assets include an Eagle Monument, a 2,800-pound bronze sculpture with a 20-foot wingspan; an astronomically aligned medicine wheel made from a ring of stones; picnic areas; and several trail options

education base camp, special event destination, and open space preserve. At the foot of the Sneffels Range, this 175-acre wilderness jewel offers a remarkable place to learn, recreate, and celebrate. Summer activities include disc golf, biking, hiking, and camping. Come to enjoy this pine tree-encircled oasis with a friend, the whole family, or your group from school, church or club.

## The Ultimate Array of Outdoor Experiences

outhwest Colorado is synonymous with outdoor wonderland. Exploring the backcountry or hanging out around Ridgway just after dawn or at dusk, the scenery and wildlife astound and inspire you to discover more. Recreational opportunities abound for young and old alike to enjoy in this grand landscape in all four seasons. High octane adventures range from horseback riding and jeeping to hot air ballooning and tandem skydiving.

Black Bear - Kane Scheidegger



Photography: Our area is a popular destination for amateur and professional photographers, who can capture amazing photos throughout the year, with snowcapped mountains, stunning sunrises and sunsets, spectacular night skies, dazzling waterfalls, and fantastic fall leaves. The San Juans are the most photographed mountains in Colorado, and Owl Creek Pass is one of our favorites for remote access to amazing landscapes and wildlife.

Wildlife Viewing: Most notable of the indigenous species in and around Ridgway are mountain lions, badgers, deer, elk, moose, bears, coyotes, lynx, wild turkeys, porcupines, and bald eagles. Wildlife can be viewed year round. Birding opportunities also abound, with more than 140 species of migratory and resident birds having been identified in the area.

**Hunting**: As summer comes to an end and temperatures cool down, thousands of elk and deer come down to lower elevations. Ridgway is surrounded by the Uncompangre National Forest, which boasts many excellent hunting grounds for small and big game and prime elk parcel units.

Golf: The award-winning golf course at the Divide Ranch & Club is located amid the rugged Ponderosa pine beauty of Loghill Mesa. The 18-hole course features 7,039 yards of challenging play plus incredible views of the Cimarron and San Juan peaks.

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Family Ski Tour on Red Mountain Pass - Kane Scheidegger

## **Snow Sports – Beyond the Lift Line**

W isitors can enjoy Ridgway's small-town hospitality, while accessing world-class skiing and snowboarding at the nearby resorts in Telluride, Silverton and Durango (see information about driving distances on page 44).

For solitude and pristine powder, nothing beats the backcountry slopes and meadows of the San Juan Mountains for not only alpine skiing and snowboarding but also

Nordic (cross-country) skiing, snowshoeing and lots of other snow sports. These snow activities are even available for a few weeks before the resort lifts open and after they close.

Winter is also a great time for adaptive sports, and our area is a popular home and destination for athletes with limited sight, hearing and mobility seeking outdoor recreation. As a hub of

established adaptive sports programs, such as Ridgway's nonprofit San Juan LEADS Serves, several sports are available to youth, veterans and family members with various athletic abilities. We're proud to offer southwest Colorado as a playground for ALL who choose to adventure here!

## **Recommended by Locals**

Snowshoeing, Cross-Country Skiing & Fat Biking: Nothing can compare to the solitude of a cross-country ski or snowshoe excursion under blue skies, falling snow or a full moon. Exploring the area on snowshoes or Nordic skis allows you to see and photograph not only wildlife and snowy landscapes, but also historic mining sites. Fat bikes are also a great option for most locations around our winter wonderland. The area has a variety of venues for beginners to experienced winter sports enthusiasts, including Ironton Park up Red Mountain Pass and the top of Owl Creek Pass where Ouray County Road 12 is closed and snow covered.

San Juan Skijoring: To observe a truly unique winter sporting event, visit Ridgway on January 8-10, 2021 and January 7-9, 2022. Skijoring, a mix of horseback riding and skiing or snowboarding, is a thrilling spectacle that combines our local ranching heritage with our love for winter sports. On a specially designed track at the Ouray County Fairgrounds, novice to advanced competitors and spectators from near and far come to entertain and be entertained.

Brought to you by Ouray County Rodeo Association, find schedules and details at https://www.ouraycountyrodeo.com/ and https://www.facebook.com/sanjuanskijoring.

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Ski Tour in the Cimarron Range — Kane Scheidegger

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## **Local's Tip:**

Rivers are rated at five difficulty levels based on the water flows and geography such as the elevation change and in-stream obstacles or boulders. Be sure to pick the appropriate river for your activity as well as experience and ability level. Contact local outfitters to receive upto-date information on conditions, access, gear and guided trips.

cool off on hot summer days! Nearby lakes provide peaceful locations for a stand-up paddle board or canoe session with stunning views of the San Juan and Cimarron Peaks. Paddle sport rentals are also available by the hour and on site at the Dallas Creek entrance to Ridgway State Park, just three miles from Ridgway.

Spring snowmelt from high in the San Juans brings increased



SUPing on an Alpine Lake - Kane Scheidegger

water flows and the thrills of rushing rivers, enjoyed by rafters, kayakers and other water recreation

> buffs May through August. Late summer and autumn offer reflections of colorful leaves while enjoying a relaxing stream-side picnic, boating or paddle boarding in the midday sun.

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## **World-Class Fishing Year Round**

Many excellent fishing opportunities can be found in and around Ridgway. Whether you are an expert or novice, you can experience great year-round fishing on our rivers and lakes, as well as float fishing or walk-and-wade, guided flyfishing trips and instructional clinics.

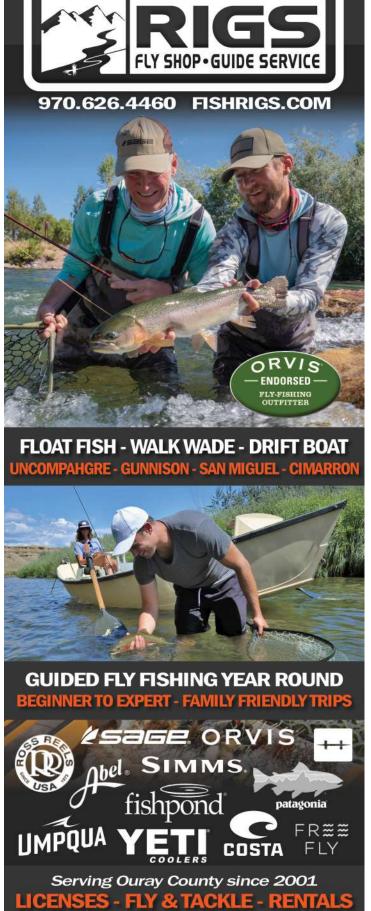
#### Know before You Go:

A fishing license is required to fish all public Colorado waterways. Information on licenses and regulations may be found at https://cpw.state.co.us.

Visiting during the fall and winter gives you access to great fishing with less pressure, leading to more productive days and colorful trout. If you have never tried fishing during your winter vacation, you'll discover there's nothing quite like having the whole river to yourself on a crisp, sunny winter day.

Stocked, wild and native trout (brook, brown, cutthroat, and rainbow) can be found in

the Uncompangre River and its tributaries, including a designated Blue Ribbon catch-and-release tailwater fishery below Ridgway Reservoir. In addition, nearby are the Gold Medal Waters of the Gunnison River and gin-clear waters of the freestone San Miguel River. Fishing in surrounding alpine lakes may be the preferred choice for those seeking solitude and grand vistas.





## Four Seasons at Ridgway State Park & Reservoir

idgway Reservoir is a major recreational resource at the heart of Ridgway State Park, surrounded by an outdoor playground with five square miles to explore and enjoy. With unparalleled scenery, the park is an inviting destination for couples and families, with diverse amenities to keep all ages occupied for an afternoon or several days.

While summer offers a wide range of water sports, fishing is available year round. Visitors can also enjoy nearly 14 miles of developed trails for hiking and biking, along with birding and wildlife viewing opportunities in every season. The park also offers campgrounds, event facilities, a marina, and picnic and playground areas. The daily park pass is \$9 per vehicle. Winter camping fees include daily park passes, and range from \$35 per night for RV or car camping to \$69 a night to stay in a yurt.

In winter, the park is a peaceful, beautiful place to stay when visiting for skiing, ice climbing, snow

#### **Park Entrances**

Pa-Co-Chu-Puk, which means "Cow Creek" in the Ute language, is located below the Ridgway Dam. In the winter, this area offers walk-in only campsites, pond and river trout fishing, and access to hiking and biking trails.

**Dutch Charlie** site is named after a pioneer who ran a boarding house near the present-day swim beach. In the winter, RV, car and yurt camping are open, many trails are accessible, and the Visitors Center with a book store and interpretive displays is open.

DALLAS CREEK site, furthest south, provides daytime activities and picnic sites throughout the winter. Located at the confluence of the Uncompange River and Dallas Creek, it is a perfect place for viewing wildlife and hiking, including a trail that connects the park to the Town of Ridgway.



Rainbow Trout at Pa-Co-Chu-Puk - Matt McCannel

shoeing, and hot springs. A yurt stay surrounded by snow-covered mountains is simply magical. The RV/yurt area has a heated flush restroom accessible year round. Plus, a walk-in type of camping site is open during the colder months for the very hearty.

The Park Visitor Center is open seven days a week all year except Thanksgiving and Christmas days, and rangers offer various family-friendly programs when conditions allow. The Visitor Center has many items that it lends for free, including fishing poles and tackle, life jackets, and "Family Activity Backpacks" fully equipped with journals, binoculars, magnifiers, guidebooks and magnifying bug boxes, along with suggested activities and fun facts sheets. Snowshoes are lent out in the winter as well.

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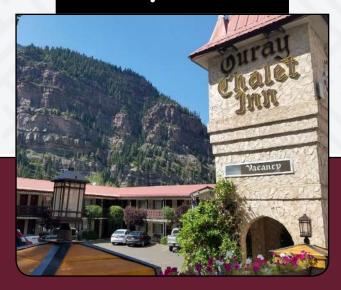
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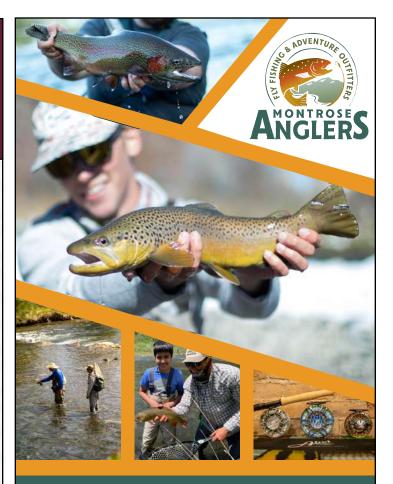
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Lake Como among the Wildflowers - Kane Scheidegger

## **Explore on Foot on our Abundant Trails**

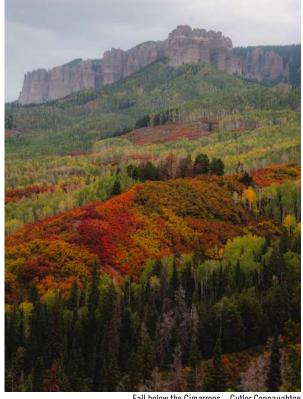
hether you call it hiking, trekking, walkabout or rambling, putting your feet into motion and heading into the hills is a wonderful way to experience the Ridgway area. The San Juan and Cimarron Wilderness Areas, Uncompangre National Forest and abundant public lands offer not only hundreds of miles of

Know before You Go: Be sure to pick up the excellent local map provided by the Ouray Trail Group for descriptions, distances, difficulty and topographic information. The Ouray Trail Group has information on the status of many trails, with some maps and pictures at ouraytrails.org. trails, thanks to the Utes, explorers, surveyors and miners, but also the highest concentration of 14,000-foot peaks in Colorado.

Dirt trails, gravel roads and paved paths provide walking, hiking and running opportunities for all ages and experience levels, ranging from easy and short to longer and more challenging terrain. Plus, many of our trailheads are within easy walking distance of our downtowns. Whichever route you decide to follow,

each is sure to provide postcard-perfect backdrops and awe-inspiring views.

From day trips to overnight backpacking, many choices are available. Many of the lower elevation trails are accessible on foot year-round. Warmer, sturdy footwear and layering of clothes is the key to enjoying uncrowded trails from October to April.



Fall below the Cimarrons - Cutler Connaughton



## TOP-RATED TRAILS

## Easy:

### **Uncompangre River Trail**

ROUNDTRIP: 7.6 miles HIKING TIME: 1 to 3 hours

HIGHLIGHTS: The trail begins in downtown Ridgway and travels gently towards Ridgway State Park Dallas Creek area. The family-friendly, ADA-accessible concrete trail runs primarily on the former Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad. You can choose how far to walk, run or bike; go as far as Dennis Weaver Memorial Park (1.7 miles one way) or keep going for a longer trek.





## Moderate:

#### **Enchanted Mesa Trail**

ROUNDTRIP: 5.4 miles HIKING TIME: 2 to 3 hours

HIGHLIGHTS: A hidden treasure inside the Pa-Co-Chu-Puk Entrance of Ridgway State Park. The trail begins at 6,695 feet with an ascent on switchbacks, and then turns into a flat and rolling dirt path on the mountainside along the eastern edge of the Ridgway Reservoir at about 7,035 feet, with inspiring views of the water and surrounding mountains.

## **Challenging:**

## Wetterhorn Basin Trail

ROUNDTRIP: 5.48 to 9.3 miles HIKING TIME: 4 to 8 hours

HIGHLIGHTS: To get away from the crowds on other trails, choose a moderate hike on the lower portion of this route or a more challenging one by continuing to the summit. Accessible up Owl Creek Pass, enjoy extraordinary views of the Cimarron peaks and Cow Creek. Horseback riding is also allowed on this U.S. Forest Service trail.



## **Insider's Tip:**

Need gear for your trip? Want to test your skills by adding a technical peak? Our local shops can help you get outfitted for the perfect adventure and our guide services can help you create great memories in the backcountry.





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Sunset on County Road 24 looking at the Sneffels Range - Kane Scheidegger

## **Breathtaking Bike Rides Abound**

hether you are looking for an easy bike path, a long-distance ride on pavement or an offroad, mountain experience, you can access a wide variety of back roads and trails for spectacular rides around Ridgway. The area has more than 40 miles of single track in some of the most beautiful scenery in the country, below and through the San Juan Mountains. Cyclists and mountain bikers of all ages and levels will find fun and challenges around the area.

The amazing road-biking route on Highway 62 from Ridgway to Placerville will be part of the Ride the Rockies route in 2021. The highway provides a

small but adequate shoulder, hits a top elevation on Dallas Divide of 8,970 feet, and rewards the strenuous climbs with tremendous views of the Sneffels range.

The Ridgway Area Trails Group (RAT), which is the Sneffels Chapter of the Colorado Plateau Mountain Bike Association (COPMOBA), created a challenging multi-use trail system with fantastic mountain bike terrain. The trails are on the edge of Ridgway and open June through December 1. For biking in other seasons, try the trails at Dennis Weaver Park; they are short and for beginners but accessible all but a few weeks of the year. Go online to www.copmoba.org/ridgway for a trail map and information about local biking.

## TOP-RATED TRAILS

## **Insider's Tip:**

For a totally unique experience, the San Juan Hut Systems has fully stocked huts, strategically located on dirt roads and single-track trails from high alpine areas to canyon country. Find hut contact information as well as bike and gear rental and purchase information in the listings on the **Outdoor Adventure** pages 26-37.

#### Easy:

#### Top of the Pines

ROUNDTRIP: 1.5 miles

HIGHLIGHTS: This kid-friendly mountain bike trail begins and ends at the Top of the Pines pavilion. It descends into a shallow draw, gently climbs up the other side, goes along the ridge top, and loops back to the pavilion through ponderosa forest and scrub oak. With no logs, rocks or other obstacles, this trail is also suitable for visitors with disabilities.





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#### **Moderate:**

#### County Roads 23 and 17

ROUNDTRIP: 24 miles

HIGHLIGHTS: Ouray County Roads 23 and 17 between Ridgway and Ouray provide a scenic ride (12 miles one way) through rolling ranchland. When starting in Ridgway, the dirt and gravel route is more challenging, with a gradual steady climb, and from Ouray, includes more coasting on gentle downhills.

## **Challenging:**

#### **Ridgway Area Trails**

ROUNDTRIP: 3 to 30 miles

HIGHLIGHTS: With trails spread on both sides of Highway 550 between Dennis Weaver Park and Ridgway State Park, many of the trails are a great thrill for experienced riders, while some are geared for the less experienced. With names like Big Cheese, Exterminator and Speedy Gonzales, the 30 miles of trails offer really sweet, fat-tire, single-track fun.



Orion Willits



Typical Rock Faces – Cutler Connaughton

### **Climbing Mountains & Descending Canyons**

The mountains are just a few steps from your front door in the Ridgway area. So, if you crave adventures that take you off the ground, you'll find year-round opportunities for mountaineering and canyoning. For information on guides and outfitters to help book adventures, see the guide and outfitter listings in this Outdoor Adventure section from page 26 to 37.

#### **Peak Bagging**

The mountains around Ridgway are home to some of the classic mountaineering routes in the United States. A summit photo from the top of our iconic 14-er, Mount Sneffels, or less-explored peaks like

Hayden, Chimney and Courthouse Mountain, will be a treasured souvenir of your trip to the San Juans (and the envy of all of your friends).

#### Know before You Go:

Canyoning and all forms of climbing are technical sports that require knowledge and experience to ensure safety. Check in with one of our local guide services who can teach you the ropes safely. You can also learn a lot by participating in the Ouray Canyoning Festival in August, instructional clinics at the OuRock! Festival in September, and the Ouray Ice Festival in January.

#### **Rock Climbing**

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Try bouldering in our forests, sport climbing at Rotary Park in Ouray, or multi-pitch climbs in the Uncompahgre Gorge. Many areas are great for beginners and families. Plus, we have an evergrowing number of highquality routes for more advanced climbers.

In 2020, the Ouray Via Ferrata opened in the Uncompahgre Gorge in Ouray providing a unique course with ladders and metal steps, available unguided for experienced climbers and guided for climbers with less experience. Proper safety equipment is required. Information: https://ourayviaferrata.org/.

Peak Mountain Guides 160 Liddell St. #C3, Ridgway, C0 81432 970.325.7342 peakguides.com

#### **Ice Climbing**

From mid-December to mid-March, head to Ouray to experience ice climbing. Whether you bring your own crampons, ice tools and harness or you want to hire a local guide service to show you the ropes, we invite you to add an experience at this world-class venue to your bucket list. From low-angle climbs on the Kids' Wall at the Ouray Ice Park to challenging backcountry ice climbs, the mountains and canyons have something for everyone.

The Ouray Ice Park offers beginning to advanced routes, so climbers of all skill levels can spend a full day learning and perfecting their individual techniques. Climbing clinics, lessons and one-on-one guiding are offered for every age and climber level throughout the season by local companies.

The Ouray Ice Festival, held every January since 1996, is an eclectic gathering of ice climbers, gear manufacturers and ice climbing enthusiasts. The largest celebration of ice climbing in North America, this international festival is scheduled for Jan 21-24, 2021. Each year, familiar faces return to climb, socialize, test the latest equipment, and watch the professionals power up the latest competition route. Information: ourayicepark.com



Ice Climbing — Peak Mountain Guides



Gift Shop at Bluecorn Beeswax - Elizabeth Riley

### A Fun Selection of Independent Stores

he Ridgway area is full of independent, mostly locally owned shops and markets to provide your visit with necessities as well as souvenirs. Whether shopping for fun or function, you can find a variety of products at Ridgway's eclectic collection of

Know before You Buy: While cannabis is legal in Colorado, Colorado law prohibits: the purchase, possession, use, or sharing of marijuana or alcohol by or with anyone under 21. Consuming substances in public including in parks and vehicles is also prohibited. Because transporting marijuana out of state is illegal, buy only what you can use and dispose of leftovers properly.

stores and gift shops. The range of products you can find here include: antiques, body and hair care, books, clothing and fashion, flowers, groceries, hardware, home furnishings, jewelry and art, outdoor gear, pharmaceuticals, beer and wine, tobacco and pipes, and cannabis.

Our historic downtown area is a great location for perusing pre-owned goods with three diverse secondhand product shops. Check out our consignment stores with everything from home décor to jackets and

jewelry, and make time to visit the Second Chance Thrift shop where purchases of clothes, furniture, knickknacks, backpacks and more support the local humane society.

- section on pages 10-12
- Museum gift shops and the Visitor Center selling history books, postcards, maps, and momentos — see the History & Heritage section on pages 16-18
- Outfitters selling outdoor clothing, gear and accessories - see the Outdoor Adventure section on pages 29 & 30



Clinton Street Shopping Area - Elizabeth Riley

**Cowgirl Creations Flowers & Gifts** 145 N. Cora St. Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.4313 cowgirlcreationsflowers. business.site

**Lucky Find Consignments** 609 Clinton St. Suite 103 Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.6058 www.facebook.com/ LuckyFind

229 Sixth Ave. Ouray, CO 81427 970.729.2388 otoysouray.com

**Ridgway Farmers Market** P.O. Box 2118 Ridgway, CO 81432 970.316.1389 www.ridgwayfarmers market.com

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#### Glamping - BASECAMP 550

### A Variety of Options from Rustic to Regal

stay in Ridgway provides great memories in unique settings from wilderness getaways to deluxe spa suites and family-friendly lodging. Local overnight options include: bed and breakfasts, hotels, resorts, RV campgrounds, short-term rentals, tent camping, cabins, ranches, mountain huts, tiny houses, tipis, and yurts.

Whether you are traveling with family, friends or for business, the Ridgway area offers comfortable overnight stays in one of the most peaceful spots in the state. From romantic weekends to family vacations, our innkeepers and camp hosts are ready to welcome you.



Southwestern Glow - Chipeta Solar Springs Resort & Spa

BASECAMP 550 20725 Highway 550 Ridgway, CO 81432 970.400.7275 basecamp550.com

**Box Canyon Lodge** & Hot Springs 45 Third Ave. Ouray, CO 81427 970.325.4981 www.boxcanyonouray.com **Chipeta Solar Springs** Resort & Spa 304 S. Lena St. Ridgway, CO 81432 www.chipeta.com

**Double G Ranch** & Guest Lodge 5351 County Rd. 1 Montrose, CO 81403 970.986.7068 www.gg-ranch.com

Ouray KOA Campground 225 County Rd. 23 Ridgway, CO 81432 970.325.4736 www.koa.com/ campgrounds/ouray

Ridgway Lodge & Suites Intersection Hwy 550 & Hwy 62 Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.5444 www.ridgwaylodge andsuites.com

Secret Garden Bed **& Breakfast Fine Catering** 101 Sixth Ave. Ouray, CO 81427 970.325.4226 secretgardenouray.com



Crystal Lake - Real Life Photographs

### **A Great Destination** for Special Occasions

ith endless mountain vistas, unique downtowns and western Victorian charm, the Ridgway area is the ideal location for your wedding any time of year. Summers are pleasant and warm, crisp air and sunshine is typical for autumn and spring, and winters are spectacular with clear blue skies and glistening snow. Historic local churches and grand buildings are also available for

> special events. You can arrange all the details right in town, and your guests will be thrilled to experience a real mountain vacation.

> If you are planning a gathering of friends and family or want to head to the high country for team building, then the Ridgway area is the place to be. For professional retreats, our offerings certainly beat your standard conference room. After all, nothing

inspires clear-mindedness and collaboration like our scenery, clean air and unique adventures.

Your Ridgway hosts will make sure your event feels special. We have more than 800 beds between hotels, bed and breakfasts, rental homes and condominiums in our area. Our venues can accommodate groups as small as 10 and larger than 500.

**Chipeta Solar** Springs Resort & Spa <u>304 S. Lena</u> St. Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.3737 www.chipeta.com

**Insider's Tip** 

Check the Shopping &

gift ideas and custom

your wedding rings.

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**Ouray County** Elks Lodge 421 Main St. Ouray, CO 81427 970.325.4510 ourayelks.org

**Ouray County Event Center** 22739 Highway 550 Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.3304 www.ouraycountyco.gov



Top of the Pines - Real Life Photographs

#### **Inspiring High-Country Venues**

The Ridgway area is full of inspiring event venues on public lands and private property. Top of the Pines, at the foot of the Sneffels Range, is a 175-acre wilderness jewel offering a gathering hall where you can celebrate surrounded by peaks. Other inspirational locations with spectacular scenic backdrops can be found at Ridgway State Park, Hartwell Park in Ridgway, and our expansive Grand Mesa Uncompangre National Forest and BLM lands..

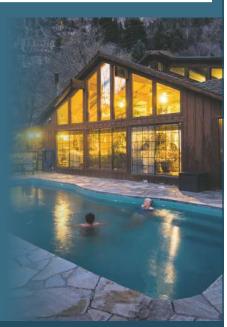
With panoramic views of the San Juan and Cimarron Mountain ranges, the Ouray County 4H Event Center offers 5,200 square feet of indoor event space and adjoining patios for groups of up to 320 people. The center can provide tables, chairs, a fullservice bar, dishware, glassware, flatware, linens, and staff for your wedding, meeting, conference, banquet, dinner or other special event.

In Ridgway, the historic Sherbino Theater and the inspiring circular "Kiva" Conference Center at the Chipeta Solar Springs Resort offer authentic and elegant event spaces. Additionally, the Chipeta offers a summer event tent from May to September. Other unique lodging options with special event spaces include the Double G Ranch, Ouray KOA, and Secret Garden B&B.



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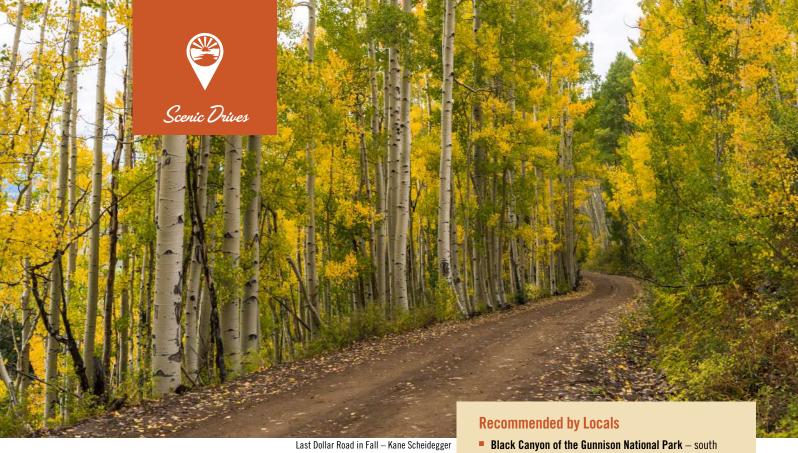


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### **Epic Day Trips Around the Area**

he winding mountain roads and charming western towns surrounding Ridgway make for epic car and motorcycle tours. Ridgway is the perfect place to stage a series of classic day trips, complete with hot springs and friendly pubs to soothe away your road weariness when you return at the end of the day. We are part of many historic and scenic routes that connect our rural burgs to nearby towns and points of interest with shared history and purpose. The Alpine Loop is one of our most wellknown but only accessible by four-wheel drive.



Highway 62 outside of Ridgway Kane Scheidegger

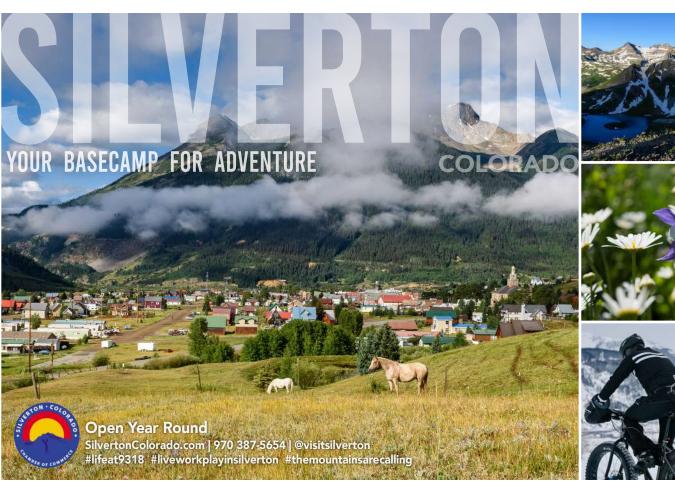
#### **Cimarron Mountains and Owl Creek Pass**

Considered one of the most scenic drives in the U.S.A., this pass travels through jagged cliffs, babbling brooks, sites of Western movie sets, and great opportunities for wildlife viewing and fishing. This route, laced with strands of aspen, is especially beautiful in the fall. This adventurous day trip will take you into the heart of the magnificent Cimarron Mountains. The peaks of Chimney Rock and Courthouse Mountain will watch over you as you drive along a dirt road, which once was a cattle drive trail.

- and north rim drives, Montrose, Ute Indian Museum, Montrose County Historical Museum, antique shops
- **Telluride** National Historic District, a world-class ski and golf resort, free summer gondola, San Juan Mountain high country
- Silver Thread Scenic Byway historic districts of Creede and Lake City, Lake San Cristobal, Rio Grande River
- Unaweep Tabeguache Scenic Byway picturesque canyons, historic Hanging Flume, Gateway, Whitewater, Grand Junction, Colorado National Monument
- Trail of the Ancients Four Corners, Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, Lowry Pueblo, Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Park, Galloping Goose Railcar & Museum

#### Million Dollar Highway and San Juan Skyway

A trip to Ouray County isn't complete without a ride along the Million Dollar Highway, the section of Highway 550 between Ouray and Silverton, listed on many top scenic drives lists. Extend this to cover the entire San Juan Skyway Scenic and Historic Byway, a 233-mile loop to meander through Ouray, Ridgway, Telluride, Rico, Dolores, Cortez, Durango, and Silverton. It's a drive through some of the most spectacular aspen stands, views and historic sites in the country. The drive is stunning in any season: spring offers hundreds of waterfalls along the route, summer brings fields of wildflowers, fall provides iconic golden-colored vistas, and winter gives you a high-contrast trip with robin's egg blue skies and endless white powder fields.













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Highway 550 South to Ouray - Kane Scheidegger

### Well Worth the Trip from Any Direction

lanning your Ridgway vacation is easy whether you're driving or flying. Montrose Regional Airport, the closest local airport, also happens to be the largest in southwestern Colorado. The airports in Grand Junction, Telluride, Durango, and

**Insider's Tip:** Ridgway is home to many companies that rent vehicles for one day to a week or more. If you prefer to let someone else do the driving, guided tours are available as well. See page 28 for jeep rentals.

Gunnison are also easily accessible. Out-of-state guests often fly into Denver International Airport and then drive or take a shuttle to Ridgway, taking advantage of other Colorado attractions on the way here; the everchanging scenery alone makes the drive well worth it.

In the wintertime, be sure to check local road reports and be prepared for

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inclement weather. Visit the Colorado Department of Transportation travel website for the most upto-date travel reports at www.cotrip.org or call 511 or 877-315-7623.

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#### **Regional Airports**

- Montrose Regional Airport (MTJ) 970.249.3203; www.montroseairport.com
- Telluride Regional Airport (TEX) 970.728.8603; tellurideairport.com
- Durango La Plata County Airport (DRO) 970.382.6050; www.flydurango.com
- **Grand Junction Regional Airport (GJT)** 970.244.9100; gjairport.com
- Gunnison-Crested Butte Regional Airport (GUC) 970.641.2304; www.gunnisoncounty.org/Airport

#### **Ground Transportation**

- Automobile rental agencies and local shuttle services have offices at all of the regional airports. Check airport websites for information.
- Shuttle services offering local and regional transportation include Western Slope Rides (gowsr.com), which also offers concierge services, connecting travelers with local guides and other amenities such as ski rentals and grocery shopping.
- All Points Transit offers transportation options from Montrose at www.allpointstransit.com.
- Bustang (ridebustang.com), operated by the Colorado Department of Transportation, serves the Ridgway area with bus service through the Bustang Outrider Routes.

#### **Ridgway's Travel Services**

Our reputation as a premier outdoor recreation destination means we have key amenities for adventurers. Businesses and community resources to keep you going include:

- Gas stations
- Vehicle repair
- Bike repair and parts
- Public restrooms
- Picnic areas
- Transportation
- Concierge
- Scenic tours
- Recreation guiding
- Outfitters
- Water sports rentals
- Churches that welcome visitors







Foggy Morning in the Ridgway Valley - Kane Scheidegger

### **A Full-Service Mountain Community**

mall-town charm and attention to customer satisfaction are the hallmarks of Ridgway's service businesses. Local professionals ready to serve you including financial services, photography, event planning, coworking space, child care, physical therapy, veterinary, graphic design and printing, landscaping, and screen printing.

We are a community with diverse amenities from banks and medical professionals to salons, a hardware store, markets, and the necessities to support your comfortable stay here - whether short,

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Heather L Smith, **CPA & Western Slope Business Solutions** 319 Sixth Ave. Ouray, CO 81427 970.274.1139 westernslopebusiness solutions.com

Middleton Accounting 1075 Sherman St. #200 Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.3850 www.middletonaccounting.com long or permanent. We have a full-service U.S. Post Office plus an office supply shop with shipping services. When you're ready to purchase your piece of paradise, we have several realtors and property management companies.

For comprehensive information about our area including various business services, visit the website of the Ridgway Area Chamber of Commerce: ridgwaycolorado.com. Plus, here are some key services and organizations that we recommend.

#### **Business Services**

**Fishbone Graphics** 250 S. Lena St. Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.4350 www.fishbonegraphics.com

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Treeline Education 141 Valley View Rd. Ridgway, CO 81432 970.210.8472 www.treelineeducation.com

Voyager Youth Programs 280 N. Cora St. #201 Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.4279 www.voyageryouthprogram.org

### Medical & Dental Professionals

Mountain Medical Center 295 Sherman St. Ridgway, CO 81432 ridgwaydoctor.com 970.626.5123

Ridgway Center For Whole Health 195 S. Lena St. Suite A Ridgwy, CO 81432 970.626.6026 www.ridgwaycwh.com

Ridgway Family Dentistry 156 Liddell Dr. Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.3774 www.ridgwayfamilydentistry.com

River Peak Dental 257 Sherman St. Suite C Ridgway, CO 81432 www.riverpeakdental.com 970.512.8700

Tri-County Health Network 238 E. Colorado Ave. Suite 8 Telluride, CO 81435 tchnetwork.org 970.708.7096

#### **Nonprofit Organizations**

EcoAction Partners 100 W. Colorado Ave. Telluride, CO 81435 970.728.1340 www.ecoactionpartners.org

Fortuna Tierra P.O. Box 1373 Ridgway, CO 81432 469.247.2137 www.fortunatierra.com



Businesses on Sherman Street - Melissa Countryman

Ridgway Ouray Community Council 372 Pleasant Valley Dr. Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.2599 www.roccnet.org

Second Chance Humane Society 177 County Rd. 10 P.O. Box 2096 Ridgway, CO 81432 970.626.2273 www.adoptmountainpets.org

#### Real Estate Agents & Property Managers

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