Grand Getaways

Add these nearby gems to your ever-expanding travel bucket list.

With rugged Rocky Mountains, breathtaking views, and charismatic cities, it’s no wonder curious travelers from all over the world flock to Colorado for unforgettable escapes. Lucky for us locals, what they seek is our own backyard bliss. We’ve scouted the state’s prime resorts in towns that are chock-full of adventure, relaxation, and culture—perfect for planning your next trip, statecation style.

By the editors
Vail

Conveniently tucked in the Colorado Rockies just 100 miles west of Denver, Vail’s delightful pedestrian villages were created by and for skiers, and have grown to embrace families and outdoor enthusiasts with a taste for five-star lodging, dining, shopping, and activities year-round. The White River National Forest and Gore Range mountains surround the valley, home to 166 miles of hiking trails, 343 miles of mountain biking trails, and 86 miles of rolling river that draw in nature and adventure seekers from all corners of the globe. As the destination’s motto says, “Like Nothing on Earth.” We wholeheartedly agree. When planning your next getaway, consider these desirable hotels and must-do activities when you’re there.

The Sebastian

A boutique property brimming with character, The Sebastian–Vail is infused with modern sophistication and artful enticement with thoughtfully curated art from Manuel Felguérez, Leonora Carrington, Victor Chaca, Gunther Gerzso, and more. Wander about Vail Village just steps away by day and relax by afternoon with a rejuvenating spa treatment at Bloom Spa. Savor a daily concoction from Frost Bar prior to dining at Leonora for one of Chef Tyson’s exemplary dishes. When offered, his Sunday Fried Chicken special is not-to-be-missed. The Sebastian Base Camp makes it easy to adventure with bike rentals and more and the hot tub or pool is the perfect post adventure reprieve, with or without cocktail. Front rangers enjoy staycation perks with 20% savings and a $20 food and beverage credit.

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*DISCLAIMER: At the time we went to press, Colorado was under the state mandated “shelter in place” order. We decided to feature these beautiful destinations in anticipation of when things re-open so you can plan your next Colorado adventure.