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Located 90 miles northwest of Denver, Estes Park is located in the heart of the Rocky Mountains. The mountain terrain and mild temperatures make ideal conditions for such outdoor activities as hiking, biking, rock climbing, camping and wildlife and bird watching. Estes Park is not just one vast wilderness, though. The city is also teeming with a multitude of dining and shopping experiences.



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THE CITY



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The Rocky Mountain National Park is one of the area's major draws. Hiking, snowshoeing, rock climbing, ice skating, camping, horseback riding, photography, and scenic drives are just some of the activities in which visitors to this national park can partake. Even though the city is also home to shopping, museums, restaurants, spas, and live entertainment, the wilderness can spill into the streets, with wild animals like elk regularly making their way into the urban area.

DO & SEE



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Outdoor activities are the primary sources of entertainment for visitors with the Rocky Mountain National Park offering an abundance of opportunities for exploration in both summer and winter. The town of Estes is also full of life and is like living history since many of the shops and restaurants have been fixtures in the community for decades. Wherever you look, you

can see the beauty of the area, from the construction and building materials to the surrounding mountains.

Rocky Mountain National Park



Explore the majesty of Rocky Mountain National Park, whose scenic beauty and abundant wildlife span 415 square miles. There are over 300

miles of hiking trails to travel on foot. Trail Ridge Road is popular for a scenic drive.

Photo: Daniel Mayer (Mav) (image cropped)

Address: Estes Park, CO Phone: +1 970 586 1206

Internet: www.nps.gov/romo/index.htm

Stanley Hotel Ghost Tours



Many believe the Stanley Hotel to be haunted. The hotel offers ghost hunts and tours that explore the hotel's history, including its paranormal history.

Interesting fact: this hotel served as the basis for Stephen King's novel "The Shining," and he wrote the book while staying at the Stanley Hotel.

Photo: Rominator (image cropped)

Address: 333 Wonderview Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 800 976 1377 Internet: www.stanleyhotel.com Email: info@stanleyhotel.com

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Hermit Park



Cabins, RV, and tent camping are available at this 1,352-acre open park located just outside of Estes Park. If you're looking for an exciting

night outdoors, this is the place to stay. Enjoy some stargazing as you drift off to sleep.

Photo: marchinileo0

Address: Highway 36 and Pole Hill Road

Historic Fall River Hydroplant



The Fall River Hydroplant was built in 1909 by F.O. Stanley to produce electricity for the Stanley Hotel and surrounding areas. It was restored

from flood damage resulting from a 1982 flood and opened to the public in 2002. It is generally open only in the summer.

 $Photo: Daniel\ Cadden/Shutterstock.com$

Address: 1754 Fish Hatchery Road, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 6256

MacGregor Ranch Museum and Office



The MacGregor Ranch is the only working cattle ranch in Estes Park. It features a museum that aims to preserve the area's ranching heritage.

Educational activities and a museum tour help teach about cattle ranching and the area.

Photo: Nyttend (image cropped)

Address: 180 MacGregor Lane, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Open in summer: Tuesday - Saturday 10 am -

4 pm

Phone: +1 970 586 3749

Internet: www.macgregorranch.org Email: info@macgregorranch.org

Fishing



Fishing is popular year-round in Estes Park. Fishing licenses are required for those aged 16 and older and can be purchased at local

sporting goods and hardware stores. Contact Colorado Parks & Wildlife for maps and information on fishing regulations.

Photo: Billy Hathorn (image cropped)

Phone: +1 303 297 1192 Internet: wildlife.state.co.us

Horseback Riding



Take the reins and get in touch with your inner cowboy. Several places offer unique guided horseback riding tours across different scenic

mountain paths so choose the one that's right for you. Call today to schedule your ride.

SK Horses

Cowpoke Corner Corral and National Park Gateway Stables +1 970 586 5890 or +1 970 586 5869 www.skhorses.com

Estes Park Outfitters 5229 Little Valley Drive +1 970 215 7064 estesparkoutfitters.com

Photo: PublicDomainPictures



Hiking & Snowshoeing



Several trails offer the opportunity for hiking in the summer and snowshoeing in the winter. Snowshoeing gear can be rented from local

shops, many of which also offer guided hikes. Get ready for a mountain adventure.

Kirks Mountain Adventures
230 E. Elkhorn Avenue
+1 877 669 1859
www.kirksmountainadventures.com

Estes Park Mountain Shop 2050 Big Thompson Avenue +1 866 303 6548 estesparkmountainshop.com

Photo: Brian & Jaclyn Drum (image cropped)

Opening hours: Daily 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Internet: www.kirksmountainadventures.com

Scenic Drives



Trail Ridge Road is probably the most well-know route for a scenic drive through the Rocky Mountain National Park. Locals also

recommend several other trails, such as Devil's Gulch Road, Dry Gulch Road and Colorado Highway 7. Guided bus excursions are offered by the Rocky Mountain Nature Association.

Photo: DXR (image cropped) Address: Estes Park, CO Phone: +1 970 586 3286

Internet: www.estes-park.com/explore/scenic-drives-estes

Wildlife Watching



The villagers of Estes
Park seeks to minimize
their impact on wildlife.
Animals have been known
to meander through
downtown, but don't sit in

the town your whole vacation waiting for them. Whether seeking out one of the 282 species of birds or hundreds of other species of animals, the Rocky Mountain National Park website has information on getting a glimpse of the local wildlife.

Photo: Oborseth (image cropped)

Address: Estes Park, CO

Internet: www.nps.gov/romo/naturescience/animals.htm

Estes Park Museum



Over 25,000 items are on-hand to teach visitors about the area's pioneer history at Estes Park Museum. Some artifacts date all the way back to

the Ice Age. History tours are available.

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com Address: 200 Fourth Street, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 6256

Internet: www.estes.org/museum Email: townadmin@estes.org

Boating/Kayaking/Rafting



While there are many lakes in the area, not all of them permit boating.

Motorized boating is not permitted at all in the Rocky Mountain National

Park. Lake Estes is one of the most popular locations for non-motor boating, and boats, canoes and kayaks can be rented from the Lake



Estes Marina.

Lake Estes Marina 1770 Big Thompson Avenue +1 970 586 2011 evrpd.com/marina/marina-info

Several companies also offer whitewater rafting trips on the Poudre or Colorado Rivers:

Rapid Transit Rafting 161 Virginia Avenue +1 970 586 8852 www.rapidtransitrafting.com

A1 Wildwater
215 Park Lane
+1 970 224 3379
www.a1wildwater.com

Photo: tpsdave (image cropped)

Address: 161 Virginia Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 8852

Internet: www.rapidtransitrafting.com

Rock Climbing



All terrains are available for every skill levels.
Lessons, guides, and an indoor climbing wall in town are available to learn more about the

sport. Get started learning how to rock climb today because the mountains are even more beautiful when you climb them yourself.

Estes Park Mountain Shop 2050 Big Thompson Avenue +1 970 586 6548 estesparkmountainshop.com

Kent Mountain Adventure Center

170 Elm Road +1 970 586 5990 kmaconline.com

Colorado Mountain School 341 Moraine Avenue +1 303 447 2804 www.totalclimbing.com

Photo: Sonia Sevilla (image cropped)
Internet: www.estesparkmountainshop.com

Golf



The village's two golf courses take advantage of the area's natural landscape. Both offer holes that can challenge golfers of any skill level.

Call ahead to reserve a tee time.

Lake Estes Executive 9 Hole Golf Course 690 Big Thompson Avenue +1 970 586 8176 evrpd.com

Estes Park Golf Course and Pro Shop 18 Hole Course 1480 Golf Course Road +1 970 586 8146

Photo: Shawn Carpenter (image cropped)



DINING



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Several restaurants in the area have dishes that feature the wild game abundant in the area, like bison and elk. American fare is the standard but not necessarily the norm. There are also Mexican, Italian, and a variety of Asian-style restaurants in the area.

The Whiskey Bar At The Cascades Restaurant



Located on the grounds of the historic Stanley Hotel, Cascades makes breakfast, lunch and dinner an event to remember. The Whiskey

Bar & Lounge stocks 580 different whiskey labels-the largest collection in Colorado

Photo: Svittlana/Shutterstock.com

Address: 333 E Wonderview Ave, Estes Park

Phone: +1 970 577 4001

Internet: www.stanleyhotel.com Email: info@stanleyhotel.com

Big Horn Restaurant, Inc.



Simply good food, Big Horn serves all three meals and was voted the best place for breakfast in Estes Park. Photo: maaci

Address: 401 West Elkhorn, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 6 am - 9 pm

Phone: +1 970 586 2792

Internet: www.estesparkbighorn.com Email: info@EstesParkBighorn.com

Trailhead Restaurant



For a true taste of the Rockies, try one of Trailhead Restaurant's original creations for breakfast, lunch or dinner. Fresh ingredients,

including wild game like elk and buffalo, are staples of their menu.

Photo: Jeremy Keith (image cropped)
Address: 3450 Fall River Rd., Estes Park

Opening hours: May to October 8am - 8pm. November to

April 10am - 4pm

Phone: +1 970 577 0043

Internet: www.trailheadrestaurant.com

Casa Grande



Authentic Mexican
cuisine located in the
heart of the Rocky
Mountains, Casa Grande
offers a great selection at
great prices.

Photo: Couleur

Address: 220 E. Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 11am-9pm Phone: +1 970 577 0799

Internet: www.casagrandemexicana.com



Twin Owls Steakhouse



Located on the Black Canyon Inn property, this casual fine dining restaurant operates out of a 1920s log cabin.

Photo: Benjamin Horn (image cropped)

Address: 800 MacGregor Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 9344 Internet: www.twinowls.net Email: steakhouse@twinowls.net

Bird & Jim



The Sundeck Restaurant is open seasonally and, while they specialize in fresh Frontier Ranch Colorado Trout, they offer foods from a variety of

culinary styles.

Photo: Romi/pixabay.com

Address: 915 Moraine Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 11am-8.30pm

Phone: +1 970 586 9832 Internet: www.birdandjim.com

Poppy's Pizza & Grill



Poppy's has one of the largest beer menus around, not to mention a great wine list, and you'll be surprised how much more than pizza you'll

find on their menu.

Photo: jazz3311 / Shutterstock.com

Address: 342 E. Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 11am-8pm

Phone: +1 970 586 8282

Internet: www.poppyspizza and grill.com

Smokin' Dave's BBQ & Brew



Owner Dave treats his food like works of art, and his BBQ is his masterpiece. Try some with one of the 15 beers they have on tap.

Photo: the studios (image cropped)

Address: 820 Moraine Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 11am-closing

Phone: +1 970 577 7427

Internet: www.smokindavesq.com

Cafe de Pho Thai



Thai food lovers will walk in excited about a different dining experience from any other in Estes Park and walk away satisfied.

Photo: Takeaway (image cropped)

Address: 225 W. Riverside Drive, Estes Park

Phone: +1 970 577 0682

Internet: www.cafedephothai.com Email: Cafedephothai@Gmail.com

CAFÉS



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"Getting away from it all" doesn't mean you have to completely unplug. Many cafés offer free WiFi as well as an eclectic array of dining options. Enjoy a fresh cappuccino while catching up on



morning emails and surveying the nearby mountaintops.

Munchin House



Munchin house boasts homemade ice cream and other sweet treats as well as an espresso bar to delight your taste buds.

Photo: jarmoluk

Address: 130 E. Elkhorn, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 8483

Internet: www.themunchinhouse.com

Mountain Home Cafe



Mountain Home Cafe is a popular breakfast and lunch joint for locals and visitors alike with vegetarian and gluten-free menu options.

Photo: acekreations

Address: 457 E. Wonderview Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 6624

Internet: www.mountainhomecafe.com

Notchtop Bakery & Cafe



Notchtop Bakery & Cafe's bread, bagels, pies and other sweet treats are baked fresh daily. Serving breakfast and lunch, they have vegetarian and

gluten-free options available.

Photo: JayMantri

Address: 459 Wonderview Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 7am-3pm Phone: +1 970 586 0272 Internet: thenotchtop.com

Kind Coffee



Kind Coffee has been roasted and brewed locally for over ten years. It can even be purchased online through the company's website.

Photo: uroburos

Address: 470 E. Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 6.30am-6pm

Phone: +1 970 586 5206 Internet: www.kindcoffee.com

Donut Haus



The Donut Haus's quaint, flower-covered exterior is unimposing, but it is an indicator of the sweetness you will find inside.

Photo: Pezibear

Address: 342 Moraine Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 6 am - 12pm, closed Mondays in winter

Phone: +1 970 586 2988

Internet: www.donuthaus-estespark.com

BARS AND NIGHTLIFE



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People come to Estes Park to relax and most would not consider it to be a "party town," but that does not mean that there are no places to enjoy the evening do not exist. From small,



laid-back watering holes to more family-friendly activities like bowling and shows, the lights don't go out in Estes Park just because the sun goes down. There are several places you can go to hang out with the locals or spend time with your family.

Lonigans Saloon Nightclub & Grill



If a night out on the town is what you want,
Lonigan's is the place for it. Open year-round,
Lonigan's is an Irish pub and grill with live music

and other entertainment like karaoke, dancing and open mic nights.

Photo: Leszek Czerwonka/Shutterstock.com Address: 110 West Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 11am-9pm, Fri-Sat 11am-10pm

Phone: +1 970 586 4346 Internet: www.lonigans.com

Email: daveanddebbie@lonigans.com

Wheel Bar



One of Estes Park's most popular watering holes has been locally-owned and open every day but Christmas since 1945. The friendly staff, the

affordable drinks and the fun atmosphere will make you want to come back.

Photo: Usplash

Address: 132 E. Elkhorn Ave, Estes Park

Opening hours: Daily 10am-2am

Phone: +1 970 586 9381

Internet: www.thewheelbar.com
Email: wheelbarevents@gmail.com

Rock Inn Mountain Tavern



The Rock Inn is a slice of history in Estes Park.

They serve an eclectic menu, which, paired with the full bar and regular live music, make for a fun

evening out.

Photo: WNstock/SHutterstock.com

Address: 1675 Highway 66, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 4pm-closing

Phone: +1 970 586 4116

Internet: www.rockinnestes.com

Chipper's Estes Park Lanes



A great place for parties, Chipper's has pool, video games, food and drinks in addition to bowling and even hosts live music.

Photo: Fuzz

Address: 555 S. St. Vrain Avenue, Estes Park

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 3-9pm

Phone: +1 970 586 8625

Internet: www.chipperslanes.com Email: chippersevents@gmail.com

The Wapiti Colorado Pub



Named for the elk that are so abundant in the area, the Wapiti not only serves game meat-centered dishes, but also burgers, steaks, and

other pub fare.

Photo: stevepb

Address: 247 W. Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park

Opening hours: Wed-Mon 12-7pm

Phone: +1 970 586 5056

Internet: www.thewapitipub.com/estes



Email: WapitiPub@gmail.com

SHOPPING



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You won't find any huge shopping malls in Estes Park, but with all of the interesting local shops around, you won't care. There are several outdoor supply stores to meet your needs. Shops and galleries sell apparel, artwork, jewelry, souvenirs, and many other items, most locally-made. Grocers sell fresh, local meats and produce.

Estes Park Mountain Shop



This is the largest outdoor retail store in Estes Park at 15,000 square feet offering equipment rentals, tours and lessons for every

outdoor activity for every time of the year.

Photo: Ross Harmes (image cropped)

Address: 2050 Big Thompson Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 8am-9pm Phone: +1 970 586 6548

Internet: www.estesparkmountainshop.com Email: info@estesparkmountainshop.com

Aspen and Evergreen Gallery



Aspen and Evergreen
Gallery offers an
extensive selection of
beautiful and unique
ceramics by local artisans
like jewelry to pottery,

paintings, sculpture and really beautiful photographs.

Photo: Grisha Bruev / Shutterstock.com Address: 356 E Elkhorn Ave, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 4355

Internet: www.aspenandevergreen.com

Old Church Shops



The Old Church Shops is an historic church located in downtown Estes Park that has been transformed into a shopping center

containing unique local shops.

Photo: nenetus / Shutterstock.com

Address: 157 W. Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 5860

Internet:

www.visitestespark.com/listings/old-church-shops/404

The Village Store



Located in National Park Village, The Village Store carries fashionable clothing, jewelry, artwork and gifts.

Photo: Piccia Neri / Shutterstock.com

Address: 900 Moraine Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 2776

Internet: www.nationalparkvillage.com



MacDonald Book Shop



A historic bookstore that has been in business in downtown Estes Park since 1928 and carries exclusive books on regional topics as well as

books by local authors.

Photo: adistock/Shutterstock.com

Address: 152 E. Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 8am-6pm Phone: +1 970 586 3450

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Rocky Mountain Gateway Gift Shop



Located in the same building as Trailhead Restaurant, this is one of the region's largest gift shops and sells everything from furniture

and artwork to clothing and jewelry.

Photo: nile

Address: 3450 Fall River Road, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 577 0043

Internet: www.rockymountaingateway.net

Stanley Village Shopping Center



Stanley Village Shopping Center is home to a variety of shops and restaurants as well as a movie theater, laundry facility, a pharmacy and

other services.

Photo: Kzenon / Shutterstock.com

Address: 543 Big Thompson Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 352 5860

Internet: www.stanleyvillage.info

Kirk's Fly Shop & Mountain Adventures



Fly fishing is a popular pastime in the Rockies, and Kirk's has everything you need, including guided excursions to the best fishing spots in Estes

Park.

Photo: LoveToTakePhotos

Address: 230 El Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Daily 8am-5pm Phone: +1 970 577 0790

Internet: www.kirksflyshop.com Email: kirksflyshop@aol.com

Twisted Pine Fur & Leather Co.



Twisted Pine Fur & Leather Co. is a large store with a wide selection of quality fur and leather clothing, footwear and accessories.

Photo: Activedia

Address: 450 Moraine Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 4539

Internet: www.thetwistedpine.com Email: info@thetwistedpine.com

Fall River Jewelry & Antiques



Antique jewelry and collectible memorabilia, including coins, toys and autographs are available at Fall River Jewelry & Antiques. Search for that

special, rare item just for you or a loved one.

Photo: lulek41

Address: 356 E. Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 4367

Internet: www.estesparkantiques.com

Email: bfixter@aol.com



Brownfield's



Brownfield's is a favorite for outdoor gear and souvenirs that has continually grown since it first opened in 1956.

Photo: Unsplash

Address: 350 E. Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park, CO Opening hours: Monday-Saturday 10am-8pm, Sunday

1pm-7pm

Phone: +1 970 586 3275

Internet: www.brownfieldstrading.com

Glassworks Studio & Gallery



This art studio is not only a place to purchase a beautiful piece of glasswork created by a local artist - there are also live glassblowing

demonstrations where you can watch these works of art come to life.

Photo: jankosters 20

Address: 323 W. Elkhorn Avenue, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 8619

Internet: www.glassworksofestespark.com

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Denver International Airport



Travelers to Estes Park generally arrive via Denver International Airport (DEN), which is located an hour and a half away. Rent a car or

schedule a shuttle to get from the airport to Estes Park. Shuttles require a reservation. Pickup location is either the Airport, Amtrak or Greyhound Station in Denver.

Estes Park Shuttle +1 970 586 5151 www.estesparkshuttle.com

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Denver International Airport

Phone: +1 303 342 2000 Internet: www.flydenver.com

Public Transport



There is no public transportation, however, shuttle buses in Estes Park and Rocky Mountain National Park make it easy to get around. Estes

Park Shuttle



+1 970 586 5151 estesparkshuttle.com

Rocky Mountain National Park Shuttle nps.gov

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Address: 1805 Cherokee Dr, Estes Park, CO

Phone: +1 970 586 5151

Internet: www.estesparkshuttle.com

Taxi



Estes Park Taxi +1 970 372 9888 Peak to Peak Taxi +1 970 586 6111

Photo: ArrivalGuides

Post

US Post Office



Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: 215 W Riverside Dr, Estes Park, CO

Opening hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Saturday

until 1 pm

Phone: +1 970 586 0170 Internet: www.usps.com

Pharmacy



Rocky Mountain Pharmacy 453 E. Wonder View Avenue +1 970 586 5577 www.rockymountai npharmacy.com Daily 9 am - 8 pm, Sunday until 6 pm

Safeway

451 Wonder View Avenue

+1 970 586 4447

Daily 6 am - 11 pm

Photo: Gemma Garner

Telephone



Country code: +1 Area

code: 970

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity



110V

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Time Zone



Estes Park is located in the Mountain time zone and all times are reflected in Mountain time.

Photo: Marek Polakovic

Population

5,976

Currency

\$1 U.S. Dollar = 100 cents

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Estes Park Trail-Gazette eptrail.com

Emergency numbers

911

Tourist information

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- +1 970 577 9900