Scenic Byways

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1 Colorado River Headwaters*^

Trace the upper reaches of the Colorado River and gain insight into the mountain men, ranchers and thrill-seekers of the state's past. 80 miles. Allow 3 hrs. Includes a dirt RD.

(2) Green Mountain Reservoir

While enjoying the views of Green Mountain Reservoir, check out the trees east of the road and see if you can spot the big bald eagle's nest. 11 *miles*. *Allow 30 mins*.

3 Ute Pass

Soak up views of the impressive Eagles Nest Wilderness, Gore Range, Prairie Mountain and Ute Peak. 27 miles. Allow 1 hr. Includes a dirt RD.

4 Mestaa' Ehehe Pass

A Front Range classic with fabulous views. This route is a scenic alternative to I-70 and is a gateway to Mount Evans. 21 miles. Allow 1 hr.

5 Trail Ridge Road & Rocky Mountain National Park*^

Make your way above treeline inside Rocky Mountain National Park along the sky-scraping expanses of North America's highest paved through-road. 48 miles. Allow 2-3 hrs. Winter Seasonal Closure. Includes a fee area.

Reservations Required at www.recreation.gov

6 Peak to Peak*

Get up close and personal with the Continental Divide, mining ghost towns, Victorian opulence and stunning views of Longs Peak. 55 miles. Allow 2 hrs.

7 Clear Creek Canyon

Passing through a narrow canyon with a series of tunnels, U.S. 6 provides dramatic scenery in beautiful Clear Creek Canyon along the Clear Creek river. This is a scenic alternative to Interstate 70 between Golden and Idaho Springs. 16 miles. Allow 1 hr.

8 Mount Blue Sky*

Travel the highest paved road in North America on a serpentine ride to the summit of 14,262-foot Mount Blue Sky. 49 miles. Allow 2 hrs. Winter Seasonal Closure. Includes a fee area. Reservations Required at www.recreation.gov

9 Guanella Pass*

Tour the preserved silver-mining town of Georgetown before rising in elevation to raw alpine wilderness. 22 miles. Allow 1 hr.

10 Loveland Pass Loop

This route provides some of the best local views across the Dillon Dam or over Swan Mountain Road. Make your way to the top of the Continental Divide on highway six past two ski resorts and come back to Summit County on I-70. 40 miles. Allow 2 hrs.

11 Boreas Pass

Follow the old South Park and Pacific Railroad bed, which was once the highest narrow-gauge railroad in the nation, over the Continental Divide. 20 miles. Allow 2 hrs. Winter Seasonal Closure. Includes a dirt RD.

12 Top of the Rockies*^

Cross the Continental Divide three times on this dramatic road that passes Colorado's two tallest peaks — Mount Elbert and Mount Massive. 82 miles. Allow 2 hrs. Winter Seasonal Closure of Independence Pass.

13) Collegiate Peaks*

Take this old stagecoach route through canyons carved by the Arkansas River and North America's densest concentration of 14,000-foot peaks. This route continues past Buena Vista to Salida. *57 miles. Allow 2 hrs.*

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