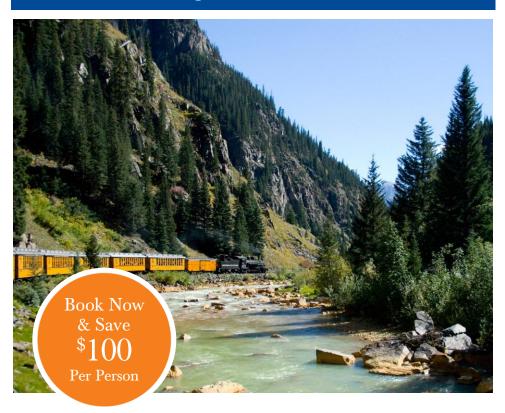
# East Lyme Senior Center *presents*... The Colorado Rockies

# featuring National Parks and Historic Trains

August 21 – 29, 2020



For more information contact East Lyme Senior Center (860) 739-5859



9 Days • 11 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 4 Dinners

# Book Now & Save \$100 Per Person:

Double \$3,599;Double \$3,499\*Single \$4,599;Single \$4,499;Triple \$3,549Triple \$3,449

For bookings made after Feb 21, 2020 call for rates.

**Included in Price:** Round Trip Air from New York, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers, Group Transportation to/from the Airport

**Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$299 per person, Any Airline Baggage Fees, Gratuiites for Tour Manager, Bus Driver and Any Step on Guides

\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from NYC

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**Collette's Flagship:** Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.





#### **Collette Experiences**

- Spend two nights in Durango, a fun-filled cowboy town where you can relive the excitement of the Old West.
- Journey on the Royal Gorge Route Railroad through stunning scenery in the Colorado Rockies.

#### **Must-See Inclusions**

- Explore the massive and rugged Rocky Mountain National Park.
- At Arches National Park, see the world's largest concentration of natural sandstone arches.
- Travel to the majestic Island in the Sky mesa at Canyonlands National Park.

#### **Culinary Inclusions**

• Enjoy an authentic farmto-table dinner on a 450 acre, family-owned ranch.

**Highlights:** Denver, Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado National Monument, Grand Junction, Arches National Park, Canyonlands National Park, Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, Mesa Verde National Park (UNESCO), Choice on Tour, Royal Gorge Route Railroad, Garden of the Gods

#### Day 1: Friday, August 21, 2020 Denver, Colorado - Tour Begins

Adventure awaits as we explore the towering peaks and rolling meadows of Colorado and Utah. This tour (which features four national parks) opens in the "Mile High City" of Denver where you will gather for a welcome dinner with your fellow travelers. (D)

Day 2: Saturday, August 22, 2020 Denver - Rocky Mountain National Park - Denver Today we travel through Boulder, a scenic university town known for its iconic landmark, the striking, reddish-brown foothills known as the Flatirons. We'll stop in Estes Park, a mountain resort town and home of the Stanley Hotel, the inspiration for Stephen King's *The Shining*. **Our adventure in Rocky Mountain National Park starts on the Trail Ridge Road**, the highest paved, continuous highway in North America. It's a drive that should be on everybody's bucket list. At Rainbow Curve you'll marvel at the majestic mountains that stand in contrast to



deep, rugged canyons. Later, return to Denver for a free evening in this dynamic city. (B)

Day 3: Sunday, August 23, 2020 Denver - Colorado National Monument - Grand Junction The spectacular Rocky Mountains are your traveling companion as we make a scenic drive from Denver to Grand Junction, passing through many of Colorado's famous ski resorts. Our journey also takes us to one of the grand landscapes of the American West - Colorado National Monument. Continue along the monument's historic Rim Rock Drive to see a colorful panorama of deep, sheersided canyons and high rock towers. Gather for dinner at a favorite local hangout in Grand Junction. a town that attracts outdoorsmen, foodies and all manner of free spirits. (B, D)

Day 4: Monday, August 24, 2020 Arches National Park, Utah-Canyonlands National Park-Grand Junction Today, one amazing park

follows another! In Arches National Park, see the world's largest concentration of natural sandstone arches. Next up is Canyonlands



National Park, a vast landscape of gorges carved by the mighty Colorado River. From the **Island in the Sky** mesa – sandstone cliffs that soar 1,000 feet above the surrounding canyons – take in the seemingly endless views. *(B)* 

Day 5: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 Grand Junction - Silverton - Durango Head south to Silverton, a former silver mining town and now a National Historic Landmark, Hidden high in the San Juan Mountains, this town blends spectacular scenery, Victorian charm and historic architecture. Then it's "all aboard" the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad. This 1881 coalfired, steam-powered locomotive made its name hauling silver and gold ore from the San Juan Mountains, but you will soon realize it is the view that is its most precious asset. (B)

Day 6: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 Durango - Mesa Verde National Park -Durango An incredible day awaits in Mesa Verde National Park (UNESCO), home of the ancient Ancestral Puebloan civilization. Today, it's your choice! Join a local



guide on a drive through the park making several photo stops including views of the famous Spruce Tree House, one of Mesa Verde's best preserved cliff dwellings; and Cliff Palace, the largest in the park -OR- if you are feeling more adventurous, join a National Park Ranger on a short hike down the canyon into one of the cliff dwellings; as you walk, soak in views of the valley along with some of the 600 homes carved along the cliffs. This evening, experience a farm-totable dinner on a family-owned ranch surrounded by red mountain peaks and lush green pastures. (B, D)

Day 7: Thursday, August 27, 2020 Durango - Colorado Springs Sit back and relax during a scenic ride to Colorado Springs. En route, marvel at the landscape as we make our way from the San Juan National Forest and across Wolf Creek Pass, a section of the Continental Divide that would take pioneers two to three weeks to cross. Continue on through the Rio Grande National Forest, a vast expanse of wilderness named for the 1,800 miles of Rio Grande River that cuts through the forest. Your day concludes in Colorado Springs, an artistic and cultural hub. (*B*)

Day 8: Friday, August 28, 2020 Colorado Springs - Canon City -Colorado Springs Depart for Canon City, home of the Royal Gorge Route Railroad. Get ready for a memorable train ride that follows the tumbling Arkansas River deep within the soaring 1000-foot granite cliffs of Colorado's grandest canyon. Later, travel to the Garden of the Gods to take in the view of towering sandstone formations that dot the landscape set in the backdrop of majestic Pikes Peak. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner and celebrate your adventure. (B, D)

Day 9: Saturday, August 29, 2020 Colorado Springs - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close in Colorado Springs.

For important reservation information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/996367. You can also find this information on your tour documents.

Itinerary at a glance				
Days 1, 2	Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel, Denver,Colorado			
Days 3, 4	Doubletree Hotel Grand Junction, Grand Junction,Colorado			
Days 5, 6	Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Durango, Durango,Colorado			
Days 7, 8	Embassy Suites Colorado Springs, Colorado Springs,Colorado			
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.				

#### Experience It! Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad

Join us for a ride on the stunning Durango & Silverton Railroad. Winding through the wilderness, this narrow-gauge railway was originally constructed to haul gold and silver ore from the San Juan Mountains. Due to the incredible views it soon became popular with passengers and tourists alike. The Durango & Silverton has run continuously since 1881. Over that time, it has seen many changes...yet the durable line continues to roll on in much the same fashion as those early days. Today, this line (now a National Historic Landmark) carries guests behind vintage, coal-fired steam locomotives.

#### Please Note: IDENTIFICATION

#### Travel within USA

For travel completed by September 30, 2020, all airlines will ask for identification when you check in. It is recommended that you carry a passport if you have one. A driver's license (with a photo I.D.) is also acceptable for domestic flights.

Effective for travel October 1, 2020 forward, the REAL ID Act standards for identification while travelling will be in effect. This means a standard issued driver's license used as a form of identification will no longer be accepted for domestic air travel within the United States. Instead, a Real ID compliant form of identification must be presented both at the time of booking air travel with Collette and upon checking in at the airport to board any flight. Any fees associated with changing a reservation resulting from a non-compliant identification will be the responsibility of the guest. For more information on Real ID, please visit the Department of Homeland Security website: https://www.dhs.gov/real-id

This tour includes traveling to high altitudes (approx. 14,110 ft.) and may not be suitable for some clients. We suggest that you consult your physician if you have any concerns.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at prescheduled times. When reserving a triple room, please note it will have two double beds. Due to fire safety regulations, a rollaway bed cannot be brought into the room.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven grounds and cobblestone streets.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until checkin at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Our air passengers will depart from Denver, Colorado. All transfers will depart Colorado Springs for Denver. Due to tour scheduling, flights on the last day of your tour should not be booked prior to 10:00 a.m.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$500 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of February 14, 2020 are based upon availability. Final payment due by June 22, 2020. Deposits are refundable up until February 21, 2020.

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† Full credit is valid for your next tour when travel is completed within 12 months of the original trip. \$100 of the credit remains valid for travel within 13-24 months. Credit expires 24 months after the original trip.

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