



From first time visitors to hardy locals, Telluride, Colorado continues to captivate those in search of adventure. The surrounding San Juan Mountains are the ultimate outdoor playground. Ski, snowboard, snowshoe, ice skate, ice climb, dog sled, Nordic skiing, natural hot springs - the Telluride region has it all.

“Unmatched in North America” – Skiing at the world class Telluride Ski Resort is a bucket list experience. Whether you are a seasoned skier or looking to hone your skills on the groomed trails, a bluebird-sky Colorado day on the slopes is one for the memory book. The Ski Resort offers an impressive array of terrain for all levels. For expert skiers looking for that adrenaline rush, the steep, hike-to trails deliver exciting vertical drops with chutes, glades, moguls, and cliffs. Park rats can play on challenging features in the various parks on the mountain. Telluride Ski Resort also beautifully maintains groomed runs and wide trails at the highest elevations, so all skill levels can appreciate our unparalleled natural surroundings and vistas.

Adventures are plentiful in the Telluride region. Give ice climbing a try in nearby Ouray or go Nordic skiing on the Valley Floor. Are you looking to take your skiing to the next level? Silverton Mountain in nearby Silverton, Colorado is the perfect place to get a taste of off-piste, backcountry skiing and heli drops.

Use this **Telluride.com Winter Recreation Guide** to explore Telluride this winter season. We cannot wait to share this special place with you.

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Ski & Snowboard

Take advantage of all that Telluride has to offer on skis and snowboards!



If you share the love of skiing and snowboarding with us, then you are probably also counting down the days until you get back to carving turns on the mountain. Here at telluride.com, we are *dreaming* about those bluebird-sky powder days.

Telluride Ski Resort has achieved the **No. 1 spot in Condé Nast Traveler's list of the best North American ski resorts** for multiple years. The annual rankings are compiled from a reader survey of more than 19,500 subscribers. The magazine ranks 50 resorts across the US and Canada in categories such as hotels, ski terrain, and après ski activities. Our scenic vistas combined with the unparalleled ski terrain set us apart from all the other resorts. Also, SKI Magazine recently ranked Telluride #1 best scenery and 4th overall ski resort in the West.

The terrain at Telluride Ski Resort offers something for everyone. The San Juan Mountains are notoriously steep and jagged, but the Ski Resort maintains groomed runs and wide trails at even the highest peaks so that beginners and intermediate skiers can also enjoy the breathtaking views. There is no question, however, that Telluride boasts some of the steepest terrain in Colorado. For expert skiers looking for a thrill, Bushwacker and Spiral Stairs trails offer exciting vertical drops. Chutes, glades, moguls, cliffs - we've got it all. Telluride Ski Resort also has immense hike-to-terrain acreage. And for all of you park rats and mini-park-rats, Telluride has exciting and challenging park features for all levels. The Telluride Ski School offers kid and adult private and group lessons for every level of skier and snowboarder. From beginners, to those looking to regain their ski legs, to experts in need of a mountain guide, Telluride Ski School's professional instructors are some of the best in the business.

Telluride Ski Resort

Everything you need to know to enjoy mountain life at its finest at the Telluride Ski Resort.

Mountain Facts

November 24, 2016 - April 2, 2016
Open 7 days a week, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

The Telluride Ski Resort boasts over **2,000 acres of skiable terrain** spread throughout both Telluride and Mountain Village. With **18 lifts** and **147 runs**, there is plenty of terrain for all ability levels. Telluride averages over **300 inches of snowfall** each ski season, making deep powder lines a reality no matter when you visit. Spectacular views of picturesque 14,000ft snowcapped mountains are visible from almost anywhere within the ski area. On a clear day, it's even possible to see the La Salle mountain range in Utah.

Longest Run: "Gallopig Goose", 4.6 miles (7.4 km)
Trail Difficulty: 23% Beginner, 36% Intermediate, 41% Advanced/Expert

Total Skiable Vertical: 4,425 ft (1,349 m)

Elevation: Base - 8,725 ft (2,659 m); Lift-Served - 12,570 ft (3,831 m); Maximum - 13,150 feet (4,008 m)

Skier Responsibility Code:

1. Ski and Snowboard in control.
2. People ahead have the right of way.
3. Stop on trails in a visible, safe place for you and others.
4. Look uphill and yield when beginning a run or merging.
5. Use safety devices to help prevent runaway equipment.
6. Observe signs and warnings, and keep off closed trails.
7. Use the lifts safely.

For assistance on the mountain, call the **Telluride Ski Resort Ski Patrol** at (970) 728-7585 or contact the nearest lift operator.

Trail Guide

With over 2,000 acres of skiable terrain and 147 total trails, you will definitely want a trail map. The terrain at Telluride spans all levels: 23% of the trails are at the beginner level, 36% at an intermediate level, and 41% are at an intermediate to advanced level. Powder stashes, glades, moguls, groomers, bowls... Telluride truly has it all. Check out the Trail Guide below for an overview of the mountain features and some of our favorite runs on the mountain! Visit, <http://www.tellurideski resort.com/TellSki/info/interactive-trail-map.aspx> for an interactive trail map.



BEGINNER

Meadows – The Meadows is a perfect beginner run. It has enough pitch where you don't find yourself pushing along, but is mellow enough for new skiers and snowboarders to practice their technique. Note that during peak times, this run gets crowded. Please be aware of those around you. **Access from Chondola (Lift 1).**

ADVANCED BEGINNER

Bridges – Bridges is a Double Green or advanced beginner run. The length of the run allows you to find your ski rhythm and the bridges along the way acclimate you to varied terrain. There are also numerous ski-in/ski-out properties along the way so you get a lovely tour of Mountain Village real estate! **Access from Sunshine Express (Lift 10).**

Madison – Are you ready for some elevation and a taste of bowl skiing? Try your hand at Madison, a Double Green run on the edge of Prospect Bowl. Get a little goofy and ski through crops of trees and over rolling terrain! Take Galloping Goose from the top of Prospect Bowl to get back down to the base of the mountain. **Access from Sunshine Express (Lift 10) to Ute Park (Lift 11) to Prospect Express (Lift 12).**

Galloping Goose – The Galloping Goose run is one of the highlights of the Telluride Ski Resort. This incredibly scenic run offers beginners the chance to experience some of the most stunning views Telluride has to offer from one of the highest points on the mountain. Note that the trail runs for 4.6 miles from the top to bottom, one of the longest trails in the country. **Access from Prospect Express (Lift 12).**

INTERMEDIATE

See Forever – Do not leave Telluride without skiing See Forever. The run itself traces the ridge line of the ski resort and is most often groomed. The trail has some steeps that will delightfully challenge the intermediate skier. The best feature of this run, however, is the 365 degree view of the San Juan Mountains. On a clear day, you can even see the La Salle Mountains in Utah! **Access from Gold Hill Express (Lift 14).**

Polar Queen – Lap Polar Queen to get your intermediate ski legs back. This trail shifts from mellow flat to mellow pitch, a perfect combination that allows your body to slowly remember technique from last season. Polar Queen is accessed from the Polar Queen Express Lift, a lift that serves primarily intermediate and advanced intermediate runs. **Access from Polar Queen Express (Lift 5).**

ADVANCED INTERMEDIATE

Magnolia – Magnolia is a great run to explore Prospect Bowl. Weave through trees, down steep pitches, groomed and un-groomed terrain. The rolling terrain will get your blood pumping and your heart racing as you descend from almost 12,000 feet in elevation. **Access from Prospect Express (Lift 12).**

Lookout – Don't be fooled by the Blue Squares on this run... The first pitch is wicked steep. After the heart-racing first pitch, however, the rest of the run is true to the advanced intermediate designation. There are beautiful views of the town of Telluride from the run, and it's one of the most fun runs on a powder day. **Access from Plunge Lift (Lift 9).**

ADVANCED

Revelation Bowl – Telluride opened Revelation Bowl in 2008. And what an addition it was! Join locals charging the bowl on powder days, hang out beneath soaring peaks on the observation deck, and test your skills on bumps and un-groomed terrain. **Access from Revelation Lift (Lift 15).**

Bushwacker – If you like to ski fast, Bushwacker is the trail for you. The first pitch is a stomach-in-your-mouth steep that will make your eyes water and your skis sing along the snow. This is a local favorite on powder days! **Access from Plunge Lift (Lift 9).**

Log Pile – Log Pile is one of the best glades on the mountain. There is enough space between trees to make nice turns around the natural bumps and there are often untouched powder stashes. If you're up for a challenge, drop back into the trees at the end of run into West Drain, a tight and technical extension of Log Pile. **Access from Plunge Lift (Lift 9).**

EXPERT

Black Iron Bowl – Hike from the top of Prospect Lift (Lift 12) and drop in to any of the chutes on skier's left. These uncrowded runs give you the feeling of skiing in the backcountry while still within resort boundaries. Ski Patrol recommends that you bring a pack on all hike-to terrain. **Access from Prospect Lift (Lift 12) plus hiking.**

Gold Hill Chutes – Unbeatable hike-to expert terrain. Climb the Stairway to Heaven and drop into some of the most exciting steeps you will ski in North America. The views of the San Juan Mountains are fantastic as well. Ski Patrol recommends that you bring a pack on all hike-to terrain. **Access from Revelation Lift (Lift 15) plus hiking.**

Palmyra Peak – There is no better feeling than working for your turns. Climb to the Palmyra Peak summit at 13,320 feet to access the most challenging terrain on the mountain. This is a true backcountry experience within the boundaries of the ski resort. The area is monitored by the Ski Patrol and careful attention is paid to any potential avalanche danger. Please prepare with a pack, plenty of water, and snacks to fuel you on this challenging hike. **Access from Prospect Lift (Lift 12) plus hiking.**

Electra – For lift-access expert terrain, try Electra just above the Alpino Vino restaurant. Steep bumps, trees, pitches, powder... This run has it all. **Access from Gold Hill Express (Lift 14).**

TERRAIN PARKS

Skiers and boarders hitting the slopes of Telluride this winter can choose one of three terrain parks according to their ability:

Ute Park - Beginner

Location: Lift 11 – Skier's right – look for the red flutter flags.

Description: This park was designed for beginners and families.

Feature list: Mini snow-cross, basic small jumps, ride-on boxes.

This park is for our guests that have never been in a Terrain Park before or are not comfortable with freestyle terrain.

Misty Maiden Park - Intermediate to High Intermediate

Location: Lift 4 (Village Express) – skier's right lower Misty Maiden– look for green entry gate.

Description: This park was designed for the intermediate to high intermediate park riders.

Feature list: Medium jumps, rails, and/or boxes.

This park is for guests that have progressed past the ability level of the Ute Park features but do not feel comfortable in the advanced park.

Hoot Brown Park - Advanced

Location: Lift 4 or Gondola– Gate on skier’s righty Butterfly– look for pillar entrance w/ orange Smart Style signs.

Description: This park was designed for Advanced park riders.

Feature list: Large jumps, rails, and/or boxes.

This park is for advanced park riders only. This park should only be recommended if the guest demonstrates complete comfort with the big or advanced park.

Lift Tickets

Throughout the winter season, lift tickets for the Telluride Ski Resort are available through the ski resort at the lift ticket windows by Lift 7 (Coonskin) in Telluride, Gondola Station in Telluride by Chair 8, and by Lift 4 and Lift 10 in Mountain Village. Ticket prices at the window vary by season and can be purchased as a half-day, 1-day or multi-day tickets.

Telluride.com offers our guests a number of different ways to benefit from discounted lift tickets - Check out the **Specials** section of the website to benefit from our lodging/lift ticket packages or ask one of our local sales specialists about including discounted lift tickets with your lodging reservation, (877) 358-7122.

Ski & Snowboard Lessons

Telluride Ski Resort's Ski & Snowboard School offers professional instruction for children and adults of all levels. The Telluride Ski Resort's mission is to provide a mountain experience unmatched in North America; the Ski & Snowboard School is an integral component to this experience. Personalized instruction, for first-timers to experts, allows guests to improve their skills and play on the mountains we call home here in Telluride. Our vast beginner and intermediate terrain affords some of the most gorgeous views in the San Juan Mountains, and we also boast some of the most incredible in-bounds steeps and hike-to terrain in North America. Guests have the option of either a private or group lesson.

The Children's Ski & Snowboard School program offers ski instruction for children ages 3-14 and snowboard instruction for ages 7-14. The children are organized by age to provide age-specific learning experiences.

Book a lesson today to get the most out of your ski vacation here in Telluride!

On-Mountain Dining

Allred’s

Open for dinner from 5:30 pm to 9 pm; Bar open at 3pm

(970) 728-7474

Allred’s is Telluride Ski Resort’s flagship restaurant and is located at the San Sophia mid-station of the Gondola. The combination of Allred’s cozy, upscale Western atmosphere and the five-star cuisine makes for a truly memorable dining experience. The dinner menu features elk, lamb, steak, and seafood entrees, and fresh, local salads and vegetables. The bar is a spot not to be missed – enjoy a happy hour cocktail while watching the sun set over the town of Telluride a few thousand feet below. **Access from Gondola.**

Alpino Vino

Open for lunch and special dinner reservations during the winter season

(970) 728-7560

Alpino Vino sits at just under 12,000 feet and is the highest elevation restaurant in North America. The restaurant serves traditional Italian fare: soups, salads, sandwiches, pasta, and antipasti. The world class wine list is extensive, offering wines by both the bottle and glass. For a nighttime dining experience like no other, travel via an enclosed Snow-Coach to enjoy a five-course prix fixe Italian meal. **Access from Gold Hill Express (Lift 14).**

Big Billie’s

Open for limited breakfast and full lunch during the winter season

(970) 728-7557

Big Billie’s is located at the base of the **Chondola (Lift 1) and Sunshine Express (Lift 10)**. The restaurant features American and Southwestern American style food in a casual family atmosphere. The food is served in a cafeteria style and is the only restaurant in Mountain Village with an ice cream bar!

Black Iron Kitchen and Bar

Open for lunch and dinner from 11:30 am until close

(970) 369-8943

Black Iron Kitchen & Bar features casual but modern cuisine with indoor and outdoor dining at their fire tables and fire pit. Enjoy big flat screen TVs, live music, happy hour specials and people watching from their central location in the **Mountain Village Core.**

Bon Vivant

Open for lunch during the winter season (weather dependent)

(970) 728-7441

Dine beneath the peaks of the San Juan Mountains at Bon Vivant, an outdoor restaurant located at the top of the **Polar Queen Express (Lift 5)**. Views from the deck face Prospect Bowl and Palmyra Peak. The classic French country cuisine features elk cassoulet, croque madames, made-to-order crepes, and hand-crafted hot chocolate. This is a dining experience you will not soon forget!

Crazy Elk Pizza

Open from 11:00 am to 8:00 pm

(970) 728-7499

Crazy Elk Pizza is located in the **Mountain Village core** at the base of Village Express (Lift 4). Refuel for the slopes with handmade pizzas, salads, and submarine sandwiches. The restaurant also includes a full bar.

Giuseppe's

Open for lunch during the winter season

Giuseppe's is a local favorite and features a New Orleans-themed menu, complete with po' boys, muffalettas, and gumbo. Sip a Pabst Blue Ribbon tallboy beer in one of the Adirondack chairs looking out towards Utah or try some of Chuck's Famous Chili! **Access from Plunge Lift (Lift 9)**.

Gorrone Ranch

Open lunch during the winter season

Gorrone Ranch is located mid-mountain on the Misty Maiden run. The restaurant serves mouth-watering BBQ, chili, sandwiches, salads, and more. On a bluebird day, relax with a cocktail on the "Beach" (the extensive outdoor deck space), listen to live music, and enjoy unparalleled views of Wilson Peak. **Access from Village Express (Lift 4)**.

High Camp Warming Hut

Open for limited breakfast and lunch during the winter season

High Camp serves hot beverages, sandwiches, soups, and snacks. High Camp is the launching point for skiing Black Iron Bowl and Palmyra Peak – the perfect place to fuel up and stock up for a big day on the hill. **Access from Prospect Express (Lift 12)**.

Poacher's Pub

Open lunch, dinner and cocktails

(970) 728-9647

This local's favorite pub is a bustling spot for beers, cocktails and casual bar food and sports. If you are looking for that "neighborhood" Mountain Village spot, Poachers won't disappoint. **Located in Sunset Plaza in Mountain Village.**

Tomboy Tavern

Open for lunch and dinner from 11:30 am to 10:00 pm

(970) 728-7467

Tomboy Tavern features an outdoor beer garden, patio dining area, and an extensive interior wraparound bar. For a more private dining experience, there is a private dining room that seats up to 24 guests. Tomboy serves craft and international beers, exceptional cocktails, and classic American tavern fare. **Located in Mountain Village Core at the base of Village Express (Lift 4)**.

Tracks Cafe & Bar

Open lunch, dinner and cocktails

(970) 728-0677

A casual spot for a quick meal or après spot featuring a full bar and outdoor seating. During outdoor music in Mountain Village, this is THE spot to score a table and enjoy the show. Located in Heritage Plaza at the base of Chair 4 in Mountain Village Core.

[Highlights for Winter Events in Telluride](#)

November 23rd – Donation Day

Donation Day occurs the day before the official opening of the Telluride Ski Resort. All skiers and riders can pay \$25 to ride with all proceeds going to the Telluride Ski and Snowboard Club. Tickets can be purchased at the base of the Gondola in Telluride and the Mountain Village pass office.

November 24th – Opening Day

December 17th - Holiday Prelude 2016

Celebrate winter with activities in Mountain Village! Pictures with Santa, ice skating, sledding and a special presentation of the Telluride Figure Skaters.

December 24th – Christmas Eve Torchlight Parade

Instructors from the Telluride Ski & Snowboard School and Ski Patrollers ski down Misty Maiden in the evening with flares in beautiful formation to ring in the Christmas spirit.

December 25th – Santa on the Hill

Look out for Santa on the slopes! Visit Gorrone Ranch to take a picture with Santa Claus and maybe even ski a run with him!

December 31st - New Year's Eve Torchlight Parade, Fireworks, and Countdown to 2017

Telluride Ski & Snowboard School instructors ride down both sides of the mountain carrying lit flares that illuminate the mountain at night. A fireworks display follows the torchlight parade and then the countdown to midnight begins on Main Street in downtown Telluride.

January 20th-22nd – Women's Ski and Wellness Weekend

Enjoy female focused ski and snowboard instruction coupled with fun events. Designed by women, for women. Call (970) 728-7414 or visit www.tellurideskiresort.com/ski-school/specialty-camps/womens-week/ or more information.

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January 20th -22nd -Telluride Fire Festival

The incredible Telluride Festival, inspired by Burning Man, is back with its fascinating collections of fire art. There are free and exclusive events.

February 11th- SMRC Chocolate Lover's Fling

The Chocolate Lovers' Fling is a benefit for the San Miguel Resource Center and is a must attend event for anyone who loves chocolate.

February 12th-16th - Women's Ski and Wellness Week

Celebrate 35 years of Women's Ski Week in Telluride with yoga, meditation, apres parties and and of course skiing! Designed by women, for women. Call (970) 728-7414

or visit www.tellurideskiresort.com/ski-school/specialty-camps/womens-week/ or more information.

February 16th-19th - Telluride Comedy Festival

Comedians from all over the country gather in our little town to make our little town laugh. The lineup has featured Jason Mantzoukas, Seth Morris, Paul Scheer and Jon Daly. This hilarious weekend sells out FAST, so don't delay or you will miss out on big laughs.

February 25th - March 4th - Telluride Gay Ski Week

Named "Top Gay Ski Week" in the United States by gay.com, this celebration features nonstop parties, dance music and epic skiing. The "White Party" is one of the highlights of this lively week in Telluride.

March 17th - 19th - Telluride Tribute Festival

A weekend of Tributes to some of the greatest bands in Rock and Roll history, so good you might think you are seeing the real thing live!

March 31st– KOTO Pink Flamingo Street Dance

KOTO's annual Pink Flamingo Street Dance on Main Street in downtown Telluride kicks off closing weekend at the resort. Put on your favorite pink outfit and party on Main Street with live music, food, brews, and the Telluride community!

April 2nd – Closing Day, Pond Skim, Party at Gorrone Ranch

Put on your best gaper gear and head to Gorrone's for the annual Pond Skim. Costumes, a live DJ, and dancing celebrate another wonderful winter here in Telluride!

Equipment Rentals

No need to drag your gear from home. Find everything you need here in town to enjoy all your outdoor activities! Book your rentals with one of our three partners!

Bootdoctors & Paragon Outdoors is a local, family-owned outdoor retailer here in Telluride. They began in 1983 in Taos Ski Valley, New Mexico, and arrived in Telluride in 1986. They have been rated the World's Best Bootfitters and offer an unparalleled custom bootfitting experience. They also have a vast variety of winter and summer outdoor gear for sale and to rent. The company also offers guided adventure tours, including fishing, rafting, biking, fat bike tours, hiking, and stand-up paddle board river tours. In partnership with Telluride.com, Bootdoctors is offering 15% off ski equipment rentals. Book your rentals through Telluride.com to benefit from special offers, or call 877.949.0470.

Telluride Sports is the area's largest chain of sporting goods stores. It has locations in Telluride and Mountain Village, and is affiliated with Rentskis.com. Receive 20% off when you book through Telluride.com!

Ski Butlers is a concierge ski and snowboard rental delivery service. They provide in-room fitting services, on-call equipment support, and gear pick-up on the final day of your vacation. Book through Telluride.com and get 20% off.

Backcountry

Explore the wild San Juan Mountains with a professional guide, in a helicopter, and on skis! Please note that backcountry ski and snowboard excursions are for experts only and require extensive safety knowledge and gear.

Telluride Helitrax

Located in the heart of the spectacular San Juan Mountains, **Telluride Helitrax** is Colorado's most experienced and original helicopter ski company. It has been in operation since 1982. Helitrax operates at the highest elevations in North America; they offer incredible terrain, snow conditions and personalized service.

Telluride Helitrax is a family-owned guide service, committed to small groups, a tailored experience and a variety of heli-ski adventures, including single-day trips and custom multi-day tours. Charter flights can also be arranged from Aspen or Vail for a day of heli-skiing in Telluride.

TRIPS

SINGLE DAY HELI-SKI TRIP

Whether new to heli-skiing or a heli-veteran, our day trip delivers. Board our Eurocopter S350 B3e helicopter to discover the finest skiing Colorado has to offer. Included in a day of heli-skiing are six runs (totaling approximately 10,000-12,000 vertical feet), powder skis, poles, avalanche beacon and food and water throughout the day. A safety orientation, helicopter briefing and avalanche protocol expectations are covered in a morning meeting and the day ends with an après ski drink.

PEAKS RESORT & SPA HELI-SKI PACKAGES

Imagine a heli-pad out your back door with access to 200 square miles of terrain, plus ski in/out access to a world-class ski resort. That's what a stay at the Peaks Resort & Spa offers. Stay for five or seven nights at the iconic Peaks Resort, with breakfast every morning, two days of heli-skiing lift tickets for the Telluride Ski Resort.

MULTI-DAY HELI-SKI TRIP

For powder skiers who can't get enough, we offer heli-ski packages for 2 - 5 days. With 200 square miles to choose from in the San Juan Mountains, hundreds of landing zones and a wide variety of terrain we keep adventures fresh and exciting each day. Each day includes six or more runs, food, powder skis, safety equipment, après ski and a damn good time.

SEMI PRIVATE TOUR

Have a group of four or more? A semi-private tour ensures your group will ride and fly together. This package saves you money and provides the opportunity to tailor the day towards your groups pace and ability.

ASPEN & VAIL HELI-SKIING TOURS

Staying in Aspen or Vail? Not a problem. Telluride Helitrax is the only heli-skiing operation that services the Aspen and Vail area. They will arrange a private fixed-wing charter from either Aspen or Vail, and you will enjoy a 40 minute scenic flight to Telluride. Once in Telluride, guests board a helicopter for a full day of heli-skiing in the 200 square miles surrounding Telluride, in the San Juan Mountains. After a day of heli-skiing you'll be back to Aspen or Vail in time for happy hour. Fixed-wing charter flights have a minimum rate and are only scheduled for perfect weather days.

CUSTOM HELI-SKI TOUR

Exclusive, private trip. You put the group together, tell Telluride Helitrax what you are thinking, and they do the rest. They will search out the best snow and terrain available to meet your group's expectations. Telluride Helitrax has offered custom tours since 1982, and they provide an unrivaled experience. Custom tours can accommodate up to 16 skiers divided into groups of four skiers. Custom tour pricing is based upon the actual flight hours (when the helicopter is actually in the air), with a two hour minimum. Each group of four skiers can expect to get six - eight runs per flight hour. Telluride Helitrax provides great food, the latest powder skis, safety equipment and heaps of bragging rights. Call early to secure your day.

BACKCOUNTRY SKI TOURS

Do you prefer to ski in the backcountry on your own terms? No one knows the San Juan Mountains like a Helitrax guide. Everyone on their team is an active backcountry skier with intimate knowledge of the surrounding mountains. Not for the faint of heart, their tours require at least 1.5 hours of uphill travel to reap the rewards. All trips include an avalanche orientation, beacon, transportation and lunch. Telluride Helitrax can also put together a spectacular helicopter assisted back-country tour for small groups on a limited basis. These tours are world class, you will not be disappointed. Transportation by passenger van.

SCENIC HELICOPTER FLIGHTS

Lift off from either the Peaks Resort or the Telluride Airport and enjoy one of the most scenic and exhilarating scenic flights available anywhere in the world. 15 minute flights are offered each afternoon (weather dependent). Each scenic flight can carry 4 to 6 passengers. Don't forget your camera.

Visit Telluride Helitrax's website for more details. Get ready for the adventure of your life with Telluride Helitrax!

San Juan Mountain Huts

The San Juan Hut System strives to provide low impact, lightweight backcountry travel opportunities for the adventurous traveler. The winter hut system offers over 60 miles of Nordic ski terrain and unparalleled access to some of the most stunning backcountry skiing in Colorado. In summer, the 215 mile mountain bike routes allows for magnificent hut-to-hut travel. Travel from hut-to-hut on skis, bikes, or on foot and experience the backcountry like you never have before. Huts come fully stocked and can be utilized by reservation only. For more information and to reserve your backcountry adventure, call (970) 626-3033. Escape, explore, unwind, adventure... naturally.

Silverton, Colorado

Silverton is one of our favorite towns in Southwest Colorado. This is an old timey mining town with a serious skiing addiction. Not much has changed since the early 1900's when it was a booming gold and silver mining town with unique antique stores, cowboy saloons and beautiful landscapes.

In the summer, enjoy the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad train that travels between Silverton, CO and Durango, CO. In the winter, Silverton Mountain offers some of the steepest and best heli-skiing and hike-to terrain in all of Colorado.

Snow Cat Skiing

San Juan Scenic Jeep tours & Snow Cat Skiing guides skiers and snowboarders on backcountry tours in the surrounding San Juan Mountains. The company is located at on the top of Red Mountain Pass, 45 minutes from the town of Telluride. Silverton Powdercats is located seven miles above Silverton, Colorado and offers tours for all levels of backcountry skier and rider -- from powder skiers looking to hone backcountry skills to advanced riders looking for challenge and adventure. The cat skiing experience allows you to reach untouched chutes, steeps, glades, trees, and wide open powder bowls - almost all above tree-line.

Backcountry Education Courses

San Juan Outdoor Adventures in partnership with San Juan Field School, offers several avalanche education opportunities throughout the winter season. Their courses are designed to follow the American Avalanche Association (AAA) guidelines and the curriculum set out by the American Institute for Avalanche Research and Education (AIARE). All participants receive a Certificate of Completion for these courses. Field sessions make up approximately 50% of the course content and are conducted in real avalanche terrain. The San Juan Field School instructors and guides are all avalanche forecasters, snow safety experts, professional ski patrollers and/or are professional members of the AAA. Please visit the San Juan Outdoor Adventures website for more detailed information: <http://www.tellurideadventures.com/winter-aventures/avalanche-school/>

Telluride Avalanche School Backcountry Skiing/Snowboarding Avalanche Level 1 Offerings

Dates: TBD

Price: \$325.00/person

Backcountry Avalanche Safety Gear Checklists: *Please note that these lists are not exhaustive nor does it account for area-specific needs. Research the area you are going to explore before heading out on any backcountry adventure.*

1. Beacon/Transceiver
2. Shovel
3. Probe poles
4. Snow saw
5. Rutchblock cord

Outdoor Gear:

1. Helmet
2. Goggles

3. Crampons
4. Ice axe
5. Waterproof outer layer jacket
6. Waterproof pants
7. Ski Pack
8. First aid kit
9. Emergency blanket or Bivi bag
10. Hydration system
11. Duct Tape
12. High Energy food and snacks

Gondola

One of a kind in North America – the Gondola provides free transportation between the town of Telluride and Mountain Village. The 13 minute ride has 365 degree views of the San Juan Mountains and is often referred to by locals as, “the best commute in the country”.

Since its opening in November 1996, the Telluride/Mountain Village gondola has served as a one-of-a-kind transportation system – the first and only free public transportation system of its kind in the United States. The gondola links Telluride and [Mountain Village](#) and serves both as a lift for skiers and snowboarders, and as public transportation for locals and visitors. The incredible 13-minute ride has 365 degree views of the San Juan Mountains and is often referred to by locals as, “the best commute in the country”.

The gondola consists of 2 parts and 4 stations. The first leg travels between Telluride and Mountain Village, beginning on Oak Street in the town of Telluride and ending at Gondola Plaza in the Mountain Village core. The mid-point of the first leg is called the San Sophia Station. You can exit here to head to the slopes, hiking trails, or Allred’s Restaurant. Get right back on at the San Sophia mid-station to continue down to Mountain Village. The second part begins at Gondola Plaza in Mountain Village and takes you to the Mountain Market grocery store, Mountain Village post office, and the Mountain Village Town Hall.

Gondola Information

Price: FREE!

Hours: 7:00 am to midnight during summer and winter. Note that hours may be extended during festivals and holidays.

Where to Park: If you are commuting by car to visit for the day, the best place to park for access to the Gondola is the Town Hall Plaza Parking garage in Mountain Village. Parking is free for one hour and spaces are limited, but it allows you to travel between Mountain Village and Telluride without the hassle of driving and trying to find a parking space in the town of Telluride. Planning on parking for more than an hour? Park in the Gondola Parking Garage adjacent to the Town Hall Plaza in Mountain Village. Be sure to stop and purchase a parking slip at the kiosk located at the entrance to the garage.

Handicap-accessible cabins are available as well as pet cabins for leashed pets. Gondola attendants are standing by to help you load strollers, wheel-chairs, etc. Gondolas are equipped with ski and snowboard racks in winter and bike racks in summer. Blankets are also provided at each station for your comfort during your ride.

Outdoor Recreation

There is a ton to do in the Telluride region beyond skiing and snowboarding - Try winter fly fishing along the San Miguel River or enjoy a romantic sleigh ride through the snowy forest, relax in the nearby Dunton Hot Springs or keep up your fitness routine with yoga and fitness classes offered in town!

Nordic Skiing

One of the best ways to explore the area in winter is on **Nordic** skis. Telluride boasts miles of trails for you to explore during your Telluride ski vacation. Below are some of our favorites:

Telluride Valley Floor loop

A 6-km loop of beginner terrain winds along the Valley Floor one mile west of town. This loop may be accessed from the San Miguel River Trail (heading west), or from behind the Shell station on Hwy. 145.

Town Park

Stretch your ski legs on 3 km of circuit track. From here, you can connect with the San Miguel River Trail, which runs through town and eventually arrives at the Valley Floor loop.

Prospect Basin & Magic Meadow

Accessed from the top of Lift 10, 10 km of groomed tracks await the intermediate and advanced Nordic skier. The advanced skier can ski from Magic Meadows past abandoned mining cabins to Alta Lakes. Nordic day and season passes available from the ski area for Lift 10 only.

Telluride Golf Course

Open fairways mark the 6 km of intermediate trails on the scenic golf course in the Mountain Village.

Priest Lake

Eight miles south from Telluride on Hwy. 145, park at the USFS Ranger Station on the left-hand side of the road. This 5- to 10-km groomed track (length depends on who grooms) is recommended for classic skiing because the trails are narrow. Please respect efforts to keep these trails in top shape and leave dogs at home when skiing on maintained tracks.

Nordic Lessons

All types and levels of Nordic lessons are available season long! Private lessons are available by request. To book lessons, contact the Telluride Nordic Center.

Telluride Nordic Center

At the east end of Town Park in the historic Unruh house. Here you can rent ice skates and classic and skate ski packages for kids and adults. Wax and incidentals available. Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Extended hours when ice rink is open for public skating. Please call 970.728.1144 for more information.

Nordic Rentals

Our partner, Bootdoctors & Paragon Sports, rents both traditional and skate cross country skis. Book your rentals through telluride.com to benefit from our special rental gear offer, 15% off ski equipment rentals!

[Ice Skating](#)

There are three ice rinks in Telluride: two in the Town of Telluride and one in Mountain Village.

The Telluride iconic Town Park has both an outdoor rink and the Andy Hanley Ice Rink/Pavilion (indoor rink). If conditions are favorable, the outdoor rink is the perfect family activity and offers stunning skating surrounded by the majestic, snow-capped San Juan Mountains. For Town Park Public Skating hours, call 970-728-2173. The indoor pavilion is covered with refrigerated ice rink, ensuring consistent ice conditions. Skate rentals are available at the Telluride Nordic Center. Don't miss out on ice skating during your next Telluride ski vacation!

Between late December and March, the ice rink at the Madeline Hotel and Residences in the Mountain Village core additionally offers a great place for family fun. Skates can be rented on-site. Book your rentals with Bootdoctors via telluride.com to benefit from our specials offers!

[Sleigh Rides](#)

Sleigh rides conjure up images of the holiday season - beautiful Clydesdales plowing through powdery snow...

"Ride with Roudy" offers a traditional sleigh ride... complete with horses, a sleigh, and blankets to keep you warm. Rides are available during the day and make for a pleasant excursion should you decide to take a break from skiing. Visit <http://www.ridewithroudy.com/> for more information and to make reservations.

Alpino Vino (owned and operated by the Telluride Ski & Golf Resort) offers a unique, high-alpine, nighttime dining experience. Guests travel to Alpino Vino via enclosed snow coach and arrive to a five-course Italian menu. Five star food with a stunning ride through the San Juan Mountains... Unbeatable.

Telluride Sleighs and Wagons is located on the historic Aldasoro family ranch. Depart from the San Miguel County Courthouse via shuttle in downtown Telluride, and arrive at the Aldasoro Family Ranch. From here, depart on a sleigh ride via snow cat from Last Dollar Road to dinner site with hot drinks. Enjoy an authentic, freshly-made meal at the sheep camp, then return to the ranch for a shuttle ride home. Please visit TellurideSleighs.com for more information.

[Snowmobiling](#)

Experience winter beauty in a new way! Treat yourself to some spectacular scenery and an exhilarating ride with a snowmobile tour during your next Telluride ski vacation. A snowmobile tour is the perfect day-off activity from skiing or snowboarding with an unforgettable scenic and educational tour of the Telluride region.

Telluride Outside (800-831-6230) guides half-day, advanced half-day, and full day tours in the magnificent Beaver Park area between the Wilson and Dolores mountain ranges. Just 30 minutes from Telluride, the Telluride Outside Fall Creek snow base is the gateway to seldom traveled backcountry with unmatched riding opportunities and scenery. Single and double rider options are available for half day tours.

Telluride Snowmobile Adventures (970-728-4475) can book anything in guided snowmobile tours - from half-day trail tours to beautiful and historic Alta Lakes to full-day backcountry tours to Barlow Creek or Dunton Hot Springs.

Most Popular Tours:

- 2-Hour Alta Ghost Town Tour - priced from \$149/person - This guided tour takes you on scenic trails up to the historic mining town of Alta Lakes.
- Full-Day Dunton Hot Springs Tour - priced from \$299/person - This full day tour is a backcountry adventure with some off-trail availability. The tour goes to Dunton Hot Springs where participants will enjoy a country gourmet lunch and a soak in the hot springs.

[Dunton Hot Springs](#)

Dunton Hot Springs has brought a historic Colorado mining town back to life in the form of a luxury resort retreat. In the few years since its re-inception, Dunton Hot Springs has been awarded "**The Greatest Outdoors**" by Mr & Mrs Smith Hotel Awards, **#4 Best Hotel for Food Lovers in America** by Bon Appétit Magazine and named to the **2014 Gold List**.

The luxuriously refurbished mining cabins offer unparalleled comfort and an authentic Western experience. The five-star kitchen creates a new menu everyday from local and regional ingredients, including many from their farm and vineyard. Meals are served at a communal, antique table in the center of the Saloon and the open kitchen format allows guests to even participate in the cooking with the Chef as she makes the day's fare.

This small luxury resort outside of Telluride offers natural hot springs, pampering massages, fly fishing, helicopter skiing pick up, horseback riding, and much more. Hike a 14,000 foot peak with an expert guide or try mountain biking on the many nearby trails; enjoy a day trip to nearby Mesa Verde National Park to get a taste of ancient Native American life at the many ruins. Finally, at the end of a busy day of outdoor activity, relax with a beautiful glass of wine and fabulous dinner.

Dunton offers wedding and group packages, including corporate events.

[Ice Climbing](#)

Great ice climbing is found throughout Colorado, from single-pitch cragging, to mixed testpieces, multpitch and alpine. [Telluride](#) contains several exceptional (and easily accessible) ice climbs - Bridal Veil Falls, and Ingram Falls are the classics - and many routes are within a short drive. Telluride is truly a Colorado ice climbing destination.

If you've never **ice climbed** before, it's time to give it a shot. Gear (read: safety) has come a long way as of late, and it's now more fun than ever. If you're interested in whacking your way up a frozen waterfall, contact one of our local Telluride vacation specialists today. Ice climbing is fun for the whole family!

Bridal Veil Falls

Classic. Before heading up Bridal Veil Falls, be sure to sign the waiver at the trailhead. Use extreme caution as you head up the trail because you pass several avalanche paths on your way to the 300 foot frozen waterfall. Note: Do not climb directly below the Power House and stay off the structure at the top, as these are on private property.

Ames Falls

Though not quite in Telluride, a half-hour to forty-five minute drive gets you there. Can you say steep? The 600 foot Ames Wall contains the mega Ames Ice Hose and several other lines.

Ouray

A forty-five minutes drive (longer if conditions are not ideal) from Telluride is Ouray, home to the Uncompahgre Gorge and the Ouray Ice Park. This is easily the friendliest place to ice climb in Colorado (if not the world!).

To book an ice climbing adventure, contact the San Juan Outdoor School, (970) 728-4101.

[Sledding](#)

Sledding down Firecracker Hill in Town Park in the town of Telluride is always a blast in winter! Bring your own sleds, you can rent one from the Telluride Nordic Center, or purchase sleds from Ace Hardware on Main Street in downtown Telluride. Bring the family and enjoy a classic winter pastime!

[Dog Sledding](#)

For a truly unique and dog-friendly way to see the Telluride backcountry, take a dog sled tour with Wintermoon Dogsled Adventures. Teams of Alaskan huskies will guide you through snow-covered trails throughout the San Juan and Uncompahgre National Forests. This is an amazing opportunity to learn about the sport of mushing, racing, and all of the racing equipment. As famous musher Knud Rasmussen said, "Give me dogs and snow, and you can keep the rest!" **Call (970) 729-0058 to reserve your Telluride dog sledding adventure.**

[Horseback Riding](#)

If you're staying in Telluride or Mountain Village, "**Ride with Roudy**" is the closest horseback riding outfit. Local cowboy, "Roudy Roudebush" has been taking people on trail rides along the backdrop of the Wilson range for over 30 years. Trips are available from one to two hour rides and customized pack trips can also be arranged. "Ride with Roudy" offers over 30 miles of private trails and unlike other destinations – they go on the mountain through a variety of different terrain. Along with horseback riding – "Ride with Roudy" offers sleigh rides in the winter on a horse-drawn bobsled with warm blankets available in a picture perfect setting. An on-site photographer to capture your horseback riding adventure is available.

Not far from the Telluride area, "**Many Ponies**" is a horseback riding outfit in the nearby ranching town of Norwood – 45 minutes from Telluride. For over 20 years, "Many Ponies" has taught people the synergy between humans and horses and offers helpful riding techniques and new elements of horsemanship. "Many Ponies" offers custom trail riding, English and Western riding lessons (private, semi-private and group), and boarding. They have ponies available for all ages.

[Snowshoeing](#)

Explore the mountains of Telluride on snowshoes! Snowshoeing is the perfect day-off activity from skiing or snowboarding while still experiencing the region's

fantastic scenery during your Telluride ski vacation.

If you are looking for a guided tour, the San Juan Outdoor School offers a variety of tours, from half-and full-day tours to animal tracking snowshoe tours. With the guidance of expert instructors and naturalists, participants in these programs gain an appreciation for the rich natural and cultural history of the majestic San Juan mountain range.

The **Telluride Ski Resort** also offers both group and private snowshoe tours. Knowledgeable guides serve snacks along the way and share information about Telluride's history, flora and fauna, and geology. Group tours leave every day from Eco Adventures at 10am. A three- hour tour is \$50 and includes a lift ticket, snack, and snowshoe rental. Private tours are available with 48-hour advance notice.

If you prefer to explore on your own, rentals are available at [Bootdoctors & Paragon Outdoors](#). Book via [telluride.com](#) to benefit from our special offers!

Fitness

Mangala Yoga Studios offers infrared heated vinyasa and slow flow yoga classes. Warm up your muscles to allow deeper poses and detoxify your body in these heated yoga practice.

Fees:

- Single class drop-in - \$20
- 5-class Package - \$95 (Expires in 120 days)
- 10-Class Package - \$180 (Expires in 120 days)

Mangala Yoga is located at 333 West Colorado Ave. Visit <http://www.mangalayogatelluride.com/> for more information and class schedule.

Telluride Yoga Center is a traditional yoga studio that offers a variety of classes and workshops with talented instructors throughout the year. Classes include: Hatha flow, Iyengar, Restorative yoga, Meditation, belly dancing, and Vinyasa flow.

Fees:

- Single class drop-in - \$16
- 4-class Package - \$58 (Expires in 30 days)
- 10-Class Package - \$130 (Expires in 90 days)
- 20-Class Package - \$240 (Expires in 90 days)
- Student (Under 16) Single Class drop in - \$12
- Community Class - \$8

The Telluride Yoga Center is located at 201 W. Colorado Avenue in the historic Nugget Building. Visit www.tellurideyoga.com for more information and to sign up for classes.

Telluride Fuel is Telluride's full functional fitness training station. Located on the main street of Telluride at 205 East Colorado Ave., Fuel offers a variety of fitness classes including yoga, Pilates, and strength and conditioning.

- 10 visit punch card: \$150 (good for one year)
- Walk ins: \$20
- Gym Membership
 - Single month gym only: \$95
 - 6 month gym only: \$540 pre-pay
 - 12 month gym only: \$1020 pre-pay
- Gym Membership with Classes
 - Single month/ unlimited class combo: \$150
 - 6 month gym/ unlimited class combo: \$840
 - 12 month gym/ unlimited class combo: \$1560

Telluride Crossfit is Telluride's only Crossfit affiliate. Drop- ins are welcome if you have completed an elements or introductory course at another affiliate. Please call 970.708.4622 for more information. The Telluride Crossfit Gym is located at 137 Society Drive.

The **Wilkinson Public Library** is offering free fitness classes this winter including yoga, pilates and zumba! Visit <https://www.telluridelibrary.org/event/> for further information. Be sure to check the schedule the before the class in event of cancellations or changes.

Photography Tours

"Telluride through the lens of the beholder." Telluride Outside leads photography tours year round for the eager beginner as well as the professional looking to visit the more remote areas in our region.

Each tour is customized to the interests of the clients. Some popular destinations include:

- Imogene Pass
- Dallas Divide
- Trout Lake
- Tomboy and Alta ghost towns
- Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park

Guides spend ample time discussing each site and coaching on site to optimize the experience for the photographer. Telluride Outside offers half day or full day tours in the immediate area, half and full day tours at Black Canyon of the Gunnison, and a 3-day photo workshop. These tours are primarily content-focused rather than editing or technical instruction about your particular camera.

Learn about photographing landscapes in one of the most picturesque places in the United States.

[Sightseeing](#)

Drivers on Main Street in Telluride need to be extra cautious of pedestrians who are often so engrossed in the beautiful scenery, they literally don't watch where they are going! This box canyon in the heart of the San Juan Mountains is full of not-to-be-missed sights for visitors to take in. One of the top attractions is the [Gondola](#) that connects the Town of Telluride to Mountain Village. This free scenic 13- minute ride is actually a part of the Mountain Village public transportation system and runs from 7am to midnight during the summer season and ski season.

The east end of Telluride is home to the tallest free-falling waterfall in Colorado: [Bridal Veil Falls](#). Running at 365 feet, these falls are exceptional during the spring, but are also gorgeous when frozen in the winter. To gain a more historic insight into the area, the [Telluride Museum](#) is the place to start. Along with the interesting exhibits, the museum also offers several walking tours, cemetery tours, and a variety of special presentations throughout the year. While in town, be sure to swing by the [Free Box](#) located on Pine Street. The Free Box is a community collective where you leave items you know longer need and are free to exchange them for items you may want. You never know what you'll happen upon - finds range from paperback books to designer ski gear!

[Fly Fishing](#)

Streams and rivers in the greater Telluride region are prime fishing spots year round. Though we warn you, these waters in winter are not for the faint of heart. Between late February and April, the San Miguel River offers excellent fishing opportunities and the Uncompahgre is prime for fishing year round. Winter is a beautiful and peaceful season on our rivers in the Telluride area. There are many companies that offer winter fly fishing tours:

- Bootdoctors/Further Adventures
- Telluride Fly Fishers & Rafting
- San Miguel Anglers
- Telluride Outside/Telluride Angler
- RIGS Adventure CO - Fly Shop and Guide Service

Winter Events

There are a ton of events in Telluride and Mountain Village during the winter holidays and beyond. Check out our [Events Calendar](#) to see what's happening when you're visiting!

Telluride Local's Tips

You know you're a Telluride local when... Every person will have a different answer to this question, but you know you're on your way when you fall in love with this magical place. Take it from a local – the best happy hours, late night spots, powder stashes, and more!

Best Happy Hour

Sushi and a Cosmo anyone? COSMOpolitan in Telluride offers half off sushi, as well as five dollar Cosmopolitans and seven dollar glasses of wine every day from 4:30-6:30. This happy hour is not to be missed. The COSMOpolitan restaurant is located conveniently at the base of the gondola in Telluride.

Best Live Music Venue

The Moon at O'Bannons Saloon is *the* live music venue in Telluride. From alternative rock to electronic music, bluegrass to open mic nights, this bar venue really does it all. It's always packed and the party doesn't stop until late into the night! Located on Main Street in downtown Telluride.

Best Après Ski

The Oak has an awesome outdoor patio for après ski. The restaurant is located at the base of the Gondola in Telluride in the Camel's Garden Hotel building. It's a

family friendly restaurant with a southern flare – My personal favorite Oak après ski treat is a cold Schlitz beer with a side of fried okra. Yum!

Secret Powder Stash

So don't go spreading this around... Prospect trees are the most under-utilized trees on the mountain. If you are a high-intermediate to advanced skier, take a wide right off the Prospect Lift (Chair 12), ski past High Camp warming hut, and drop in to the Prospect Bowl trees from the top of the run. Always great snow and you'll be the only person there. Another spot off of Prospect Chair – Take a left off of the chair, pop off your skis, and hike up to the first run called Confidence. Stay to the left on the run and jump into the trees to get back to the bottom of Prospect Lift (Chair 12). Shhhh, don't tell anyone else!

Best Bargain Shopping

The Second Chance Humane Society Thrift Store, located on Main Street in downtown Telluride, always has great finds. From vintage ski gear to designer labels and housewares, there's always a treasure to be found. And the best part, all proceeds go to the Second Chance Humane Society, an organization that supports local animal rescue.

Best Burger

Smuggler's Brewpub has the best beef burger in town. Located on San Juan Avenue at the base of the Gondola in Telluride, Smuggler's is a microbrewery as well as a restaurant. Try the Triple Green Chili burger with roasted jalapeno, serrano and poblano peppers and a side of sweet potato fries. For a mouthwatering veggie burger, Tomboy Tavern in the Mountain Village Core is the place to go. They make their veggie burger with quinoa, black beans, garbanzo beans, and roasted tomatoes topped with goat cheese and fresh basil. Order it with a side of truffle fries and you've got one of the most satisfying vegetarian meals in town.

Best Game Day Venue

Most people will tell you to go to Brown Dog Pizza or High Pie Pizza for game day watching. I, however, prefer the Cornerhouse Grille. A basket of tater tots, a beer, and a bar full of rowdy locals is my idea of a good football watching venue. The numerous televisions in the bar each play a different game so your team will almost certainly make an appearance! Located on N. Fir Street in downtown Telluride.

Best Original Pastry

The Cronut has arrived in Telluride. Baked in Telluride, a long time Telluride establishment, has produced their version of the Cronut – a pastry that combines the buttery flake of a croissant with the irresistible glaze of a donut. Treat yourself. It's worth it. Located on S. Fir Street in downtown Telluride.

Best Brunch Plate

Floradora Saloon serves up good old fashioned breakfast comfort food. For all day fuel for the slopes, try the Nutella and Banana Stuffed French Toast with bacon and home fries. Or if you're in the mood for something a little lighter, the Egg White and Pesto omelet with spaghetti squash and fresh mozzarella is amazing. Be sure to ask for the house made jam with your toast! Located on Main Street in downtown Telluride.

Best Cocktail

There Bar, located on W. Pacific Avenue in Telluride, is a funky hip restaurant with unique tapas plates and shareable entrees. They also happen to make amazing cocktails. My personal favorites – Grapefruit gin cocktail with elderflower liqueur and the lychee vodka cocktail.