The Peak to Peak Scenic Byway is the oldest of the 25 Colorado byways. This route brings travelers up close and parallel with the Continental Divide with tours of ghost towns and Victorian-era opulence. From the south you can experience historic gold mine tours, national forest trails and the gateway to Rocky Mountain National Park with lush valleys to craggy peaks.

When planning your time outdoors be prepared when you head out on the trails by covering yourself with sunscreen and a hat. Remember to drink plenty of water.

The communities along the Peak to Peak and other Byways encourage visitors to respect the local residents and help protect wildlife by recycling while keeping the areas litter free.

Thank you for your respect of our natural resources. Please leave our area as you find it since our natural resources are fragile. When hiking please stick to the trails as shortcuts create erosion. It takes years for the land to recover.



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YOUR TRIP ON THE PEAK TO PEAK

Colorado is home to 26 scenic and historic byways, and Boulder is a gateway city to one of them, the Peak to Peak Scenic and Historic Byway. Pack up your picnic from one of Boulder's delicious restaurants, shop for gear on the Pearl Street Mall, and visit one of the many galleries and museums. Then, once on the road, enjoy your day driving, hiking, and photographing.

Along the way, take in the scenic beauty of Rocky Mountain National Park, Indian Peaks Wilderness Area and the foothills of the Rocky Mountains.

The Peak to Peak Scenic Byway provides some of Colorado's most spectacular mountain vistas as it winds 55 miles in and out of national forest lands on highways 7, 72 and 119. The Peak to Peak features a



wide variety of activities, amenities and attractions yearround. With so much to see and do, you're sure to find something for everyone to enjoy.

Come experience outdoor recreation for all seasons, including downhill and cross-country skiing, hiking, fishing, hunting, cycling and mountain biking, camping, horseback riding and more. Explore the many unique mountain towns, where you can browse through gift and antique shops, art galleries and museums.

Specific landmarks include Longs Peak, Mt. Meeker, Saint Vrain Creek, Boulder Falls, Barker Reservoir,



Brainard Lake Recreation Area, Peaceful Valley and Saint Malo Chapels, Lake Isabel, the Raymond country store and Golden Gate State Park.

Visit the Peak to Peak Scenic and Historic Byway today, and discover fun and adventure at every turn.

Fall Leaf-Peeping

The Peak to Peak Scenic Byway is one of the best places in the state to see the fall colors. From Boulder, driving up towards Nederland, you'll wind up Boulder Canyon to see beautiful trees and leaves even before you reach



the scenic byway. When you reach the scenic byway head north towards Estes Park and you'll have many opportunities to stop along the road to view the sweeping mountain vistas and Colorado wildlife.

Winter Snow Escape

Pack up a thermos of hot cocoa and head up to Eldora Mountain Resort to ski, Nordic ski or even snowshoe. Want to get

more off the beaten path? Head north on the Peak to Peak Highway away from Eldora and explore one of the many snowshoe ready trails in pristine wilderness.

Spring Wildflowers

Springtime in the Rockies is well known for hiking, biking, and all the wildflowers you will see along the way. Drive to a hike or cruise along slowly to take in all the floral beauty along the trails and on the side of the road.

Summer Cool-Down

The Rocky Mountains typically stay anywhere from 10-20 degrees Fahrenheit cooler than Boulder or Denver in the summertime. Pack up a picnic in Boulder and head for the hills to cool off and drive with the windows down along the scenic byway. Drive to Estes Park and take a side trip into Rocky Mountain National Park for post-card-ready-views of the Continental Divide.

