



# Rocky Mountain High

May 22 - 29, 2025

\$5,995 per guest (double) \$7,545 per guest (single)



#### **Tour Includes:**

- 3 nights at Broadmoor Resort, Colorado Springs
- 3 nights at the historic Strater Hotel in Durango
- 1 night Albuquerque
- Round-trip airfare
- Garden of the Gods
- Ascend Pikes Peak via Cog Railway
- Great Sand Dunes National Park
- Journey on the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad
- Garden of the Gods National Landmark
- Guided tour of the U.S. Air Force Academy
- Sandia Peak Tramway
- All meals, full menu where available
- All attractions, guides & scheduled activities
- Fully escorted by Globe Treks tour manager
- Luggage handling & Home pick-up service

Globe Treks Explorer Tour limited to maximum of 13 guests

(Prices and itinerary subject to change)

#### The Broadmoor & Strater Hotels

Discover the scenic wonders of Colorado on this unforgettable adventure, where rugged landscapes, historic landmarks, and luxurious accommodations come together for an extraordinary journey. Begin at the iconic Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs, a five-star retreat at the foot of the Rockies. Explore the striking Garden of the Gods, ride the Cog Railway to the top of Pikes Peak, and tour the prestigious Air Force Academy. After lunch in Salida, visit Great Sand Dunes National Park before heading to Durango to stay at the historic Strater Hotel. Experience the Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, a scenic steam train ride through the Animas River gorge. Discover the cliff dwellings at Mesa Verde, then conclude your journey in Albuquerque with a scenic lunch atop the Sandia Peak Tramway, offering stunning panoramic views.

INCLUDED: Round-trip air into Denver Int'l. Airport (DEN) on May 22 and out of Albuquerque International Airport (ABQ) on May 29.

Fly into Moab (CNY) on May 18 and stay at the incredible Red Cliffs Lodge. Visit Arches National Park before boarding the Rocky Mountaineer from Moab to Denver via Glenwood Springs on May 19 –20. Enjoy May 21 in Denver before checking into the Broadmoor on May 22. This unmatched 12-day tour is \$8,990 double occupancy and \$10,795 single occupancy.

### Rocky Mountain High Day by Day Itinerary

#### Day 1 – May 22: Welcome to the Broadmoor

A Globe Treks representative will pick you up at your doorstep for a seamless journey. Enjoy a continental breakfast en route to Charlotte before flying to Denver. Upon arrival, transfer to The Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs, a legendary five-star retreat nestled at the base of the Rocky Mountains. The Broadmoor exudes timeless elegance, with its shimmering Cheyenne Lake, lush gardens, and grand architecture. Guests can relax by the tranquil infinity pool, stroll the scenic walking paths, or indulge in the hotel's world-class spa. This evening, gather with fellow travelers for a celebratory welcome dinner at one of the Broadmoor's award-winning restaurants.

## Day 2 – May 23: Garden of the Gods and the Air Force Academy

Today's tours are entirely optional, allowing you to relax and soak in the Broadmoor's serene atmosphere if you prefer. Join us in the morning for a visit to Garden of the Gods, where towering red rock formations rise dramatically against the backdrop of Pikes Peak. Discover the area's fascinating geological history as you walk its scenic trails. After lunch, visit the iconic U.S. Air Force Academy, home to the striking modernist Cadet Chapel. Return to the Broadmoor for a relaxing evening and another fine dining experience.

#### Day 3 – May 24: Pikes Peak Cog Railway

Enjoy another day to relax at the Broadmoor or join us for an unforgettable ride on the Pikes Peak Cog Railway, the highest cog railway in North America. Ascend to the 14,115-foot summit of Pikes Peak, where sweeping views of Colorado's rugged beauty stretch as far as the eye can see. Afterward, return to the Broadmoor to enjoy its luxurious amenities or explore its elegant shops and art galleries.

### Day 4 – May 25: Salida & Great Sand Dunes Nat'l. Park

Depart Colorado Springs and follow the scenic Arkansas River to Salida, a charming mountain town with a lively arts district. Explore its vibrant galleries, boutique shops, and historic downtown before enjoying a delicious lunch.

In the afternoon, continue to Great Sand Dunes National Park, home to the tallest dunes in North America. Marvel at the contrast of golden sand against the backdrop of snow-capped peaks. Arrive in Durango in the evening and check into the historic Strater Hotel, a Victorian gem with ornate interiors and a rich Western

history. Durango's downtown is a lively blend of historic charm and modern energy, with boutique shops, saloons, and a bustling arts scene.

## Day 5 – May 26: Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad

Step aboard the historic Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad, a steam-powered train that winds through the rugged San Juan Mountains along the Animas River. Arrive in Silverton, a preserved mining town with colorful 19th-century buildings and stunning alpine scenery. Enjoy lunch in Silverton before returning to Durango via the breathtaking Million Dollar Highway, a route renowned for its sheer cliffs, hairpin turns, and awe-inspiring vistas.

#### Day 6 – May 27: Mesa Verde National Park

Explore the ancient cliff dwellings of Mesa Verde National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site that preserves the ancestral homes of the Pueblo people. Learn about their rich culture as you wander through these remarkably well-preserved archaeological sites. Spend the afternoon enjoying free time in Durango. Stroll the historic Main Avenue, filled with unique shops, cozy cafés, and art galleries. Alternatively, take a peaceful walk through the surrounding woodlands with your tour manager.

#### Day 7 – May 28: Scenic Drive to Albuquerque

Embark on a picturesque journey to Albuquerque, passing through the dramatic high desert landscapes of northern New Mexico. Along the way, admire the rugged mesas, colorful rock formations, and expansive sagebrush plains.

Arrive in Albuquerque for lunch atop the Sandia Peak Tramway, the world's second-longest tramway. Take in panoramic views of the Rio Grande Valley and surrounding mountains. Spend the afternoon exploring Old Town Albuquerque, a historic district dating back to 1706, with its adobe buildings, quaint shops, and the beautiful San Felipe de Neri Church. Conclude the day with a farewell dinner at one of the city's fine restaurants.

#### Day 8 - May 29: Return Home

Fly home from Albuquerque to Charlotte, where a Globe Treks representative will escort you back to your doorstep. Return with cherished memories of elegant historic hotels, dramatic mountain landscapes, and the camaraderie of new friends.

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