



Bus Tour Descriptions

A Pueblo Getaway

The Front Range of Colorado continues farther south than Colorado Springs, leading us to a city full of history and charm: Pueblo! Join Denver History Tours for a jaunt south to see all that this city has to offer. You might be surprised! From the beautiful Riverwalk along the Arkansas to museums, art and expressions of ancient cultures, Pueblo has something for everyone and was proclaimed "America's Home of Heroes" by Congress in 1993. So, whether you're feeling heroic or not, this is a tour you won't want to miss! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Art, Denver Style

Come see the inspirational, fanciful and just plain odd as we tour Denver's world of art with Denver History Tours. Starting with the Arts District on Santa Fe, we'll see some of the outdoor art that pleases the eye, some out in the open, and some hidden away! Outside the sacred halls of art that compose the Denver Art Museum, outside the old garages turned galleries, we'll learn about how it's done *Denver style*. It's art, of course, so come with an open mind and a camera and prepare! (Tour includes a one-hour break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Bad Boys and Bawdy Girls

If you are looking for the tales of well mannered gentleman and swooning ladies with rose-scented handkerchiefs, this isn't it. Denver's earliest tales were almost never written by gentlemen, and polite company doesn't even *discuss* those kinds of ladies. Fortunately, Denver History Tours is not a polite company, at least not this time around. Rope burn and lead poisoning helped Denver fill its coffers and its coffins. The shady ladies and killer cowboys are gone, so let's dig into their stories in safety! Bring some money for lunch so you may eat some real food in addition to tales of wonder and woe!

Be a Sport

It's no accident that the people of Colorado are the thinnest and healthiest in the nation. We love to get outside and enjoy the bounteous sunshine and beauty that makes living in Colorado the envy of every other state. Join Denver History Tours for a look at the places where folks engage in the activities that keep those heart rates up, as well as places where they eat hot dogs while watching others doing so professionally in the many stadiums around the area. Don't worry, no one will tackle you, but still ...it's not one you'd want to miss. (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)



Beer, Beautiful Beer

"Beer is proof that God loves us and wants us to be happy," said Benjamin Franklin. Though Mr. Franklin never made it to Colorado, the heady libation he so extolled certainly did, and in a big way! It is no exaggeration to say that beer built the state as much as gold ever did, even as some were accusing the frothy drink of tearing the state down again. Join Denver History Tours for a look at the golden glasses once drunk more frequently than water and learn how beer changed our future forever. Breweries lost and others long working, we'll explore it all. Now I'll drink to that! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Blooms on the Bosom of the Desert

Denver was once likened to a glittering gem, shining in the bosom of the 'desert,' as the High Plains were often thought to be. Through irrigation and lots of hard work, the grassy land of Denver has been brought into blooms of innumerable colors and varieties, giving the monochromatic world a richness previously unrivaled. Join Denver History Tours for a tour of the people and places that bring forth the flowers to please your eye; you might be surprised how many people and how much time are involved! It may not be easy being green, but it's not easy being red, orange, purple or just about anything else either! A feast for the eye and the senses, pruning shears not necessary! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Candyland Tour

You don't need any chutes or ladders to get you to Denver's sweet spots. Presented by Denver History Tours, join us on this five-hour tour as we find out there are more to sweet things than chocolate. We'll start with a tour of Hammond's candies and then sample some bakeries, spice shops and other spots to tempt your palette. More gastronomy than history, this tour will fill your senses with delight. There will be an hour for lunch in the middle, so you can have something more filling than candy, and be sure to bring money to spend in the sweet stops along the way!

Castles of Colorado --- South

Fancy a chance at meeting Prince Charming? Join Denver History Tours as it heads to our neighbor to the south, Colorado Springs, to take in its royal residences. Structures like Miramont and Glen Eyrie Castles have delighted the eye for many years and will surely make you feel like a member of Colorado's royal family. The tour includes an hour for lunch, so bring some money for your repast, whether peasant or noble. Perhaps we'll see Cinderella on her way to the ball!

Choo Choo Choosing Trains!

When William Jackson Palmer headed west to make his fortune, it was not on the backs of miners that made that fortune, but on the wheels and rails of the Iron Horse. Trains made it possible to get the bounty torn from the earth by miners and farmers to the hungry mouths and pockets of the country's growing population, but this prosperity could

just have easily passed us by if the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming had gotten its way. Join Denver History Tours for a look at the history of the train. Depending on the season, we might even get to ride one of the rare examples that have survived into the modern day. So, if you've got your fare and just a trifle to spare, this is the tour for you! Pardon me, sir! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Colfax Tour

Take a bus tour of Denver's famous Colfax Avenue along its entire 26-mile length from Golden to Aurora. Presented by Denver History Tours, on this five-hour tour you will learn about the evolution of this avenue from neighborhood street to its designation as US Highway 40. Each city along the route has something to share about the rich history of Colfax. Lakewood retains many of the motor hotels servicing auto traffic from the early to mid 20th century. Denver's portion has gone through many incarnations as well, including its seedier elements of pornography shops and prostitution. Learn about the city's efforts to improve Colfax's image along major stretches of the avenue. Continue along into Aurora to see the major redevelopments occurring at the old Fitzsimons Hospital. Colfax is a microcosm of Denver society and this tour will help us learn about ourselves. Come join the fun! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Colorado Views Tours

This tour shows you the breathtaking scenery of the Front Range, with a dose of history to make sure it's educational. Presented by Denver History Tours, during this five-hour tour we'll head over Loveland Pass, learn about the history of Denver and more! If you are ready to have the splendor of Colorado sweep you away in a little mountain meditation, this is the tour for you! Mountains ho! (This tour DOES NOT include a one-hour break for lunch. A six-hour tour with lunch may be substituted with a stop in Georgetown.)

Compass Tour --- Denver Northeast

Get out your compasses! We're going to find the interesting stories, hidden corners and rare gems that make northeast Denver great! Did you know that City Park used to close its gates nightly to keep lovers from strolling and that the zoo came into being because of a pet bear? These golden oldies will one day share the compass with the train to DIA. Toot toot! Offered by Denver History Tours, there's more to this corner of Denver than you know. We'll stop for lunch, so bring some cash! Won't you join us?

Compass Tour --- Denver Northwest

Get out your compasses! We're going to find the interesting stories, hidden corners and rare gems that make northwest Denver great! Once a haven for graffiti, learn how flour has become a new kind of king, as barons of lumber have been before, and how the debate about which church was holy once led to unholy strife! Offered by Denver History Tours, there's more to this corner of Denver than you know. We'll stop for lunch, so bring some cash! Won't you join us?

Compass Tour --- Denver Southeast

Get out your compasses! We're going to find the interesting stories, hidden corners and rare gems that make southeast Denver great! Houses were numbered early in this part of the city, at least up to twenty. You'll learn how Washington Park was once Denver's premier watering hole and that public transportation can also be art! Is this the Left Bank? Offered by Denver History Tours, there's more to this corner of Denver than you know. We'll stop for lunch, so bring some cash! Won't you join us?

Compass Tour --- Denver Southwest

Get out your compasses! We're going to find the interesting stories, hidden corners and rare gems that make southwest Denver great! High places have always attracted the holy, and this part of Denver offered a great view of the mountains in addition to proximity to the divine. Military tales, Denver's Ivy League and the palaces of summer are just some of the items you'll get to see. Offered by Denver History Tours, there's more to this corner of Denver than you know. We'll stop for lunch, so bring some cash! Won't you join us?

Dam It!

When the first Americans reached the area that would one day become Denver, they saw nothing that even remotely reminded them of the great rivers of the eastern United States. Mark Twain disparagingly stated that the folks in Denver should lock up the South Platte River each night lest some thirsty puppy come and drink it dry. Yet over the years there have been numerous times when these much maligned creeks and rivers rose to great heights, literally. Join Denver History Tours for a lesson on the city's efforts to control the power of rushing water, sometimes well and sometimes with disastrous results. No cussing required! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Denver Architecture Tour

Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour is for folks who have an eye for architecture, or those who would like to! We'll look at the various decades in Denver's architecture, showing you the lovelies and perhaps not-so-lovelies. Much of Denver's Victorian heritage was torn down during urban renewal, but there are pieces left to be found. Fancy some Art Deco? We've got it! How about some Brutalist, Post-Modern, International Style, or Richardsonian Romanesque? Confused? We'll clear it up as best we can, and along the way you'll have an architectural smorgasbord. Join us for the Denver Architecture Tour! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Denver Divinity Tour

Not every Denver pioneer was out here to strike it rich on gold. Some came to save souls and find riches in generosity, good works and ministry. Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour will show you Denver's houses of worship from many different religions and denominations. Through this architectural journey, participants will also

learn about the growth of Denver and hear a few stories that have linked the people of Denver with their faiths, hand in hand. Denver has more historic buildings devoted to religion that you might realize, and we seek them out in the hidden corners of the city that you may never have happened by before. The tour takes us into three, to view the splendor and the sanctity of these holy spots. Join us for a sampling of Denver's spots divine! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Denver's Frontier Days

Remember how your grandparents had to walk three miles in the snow, uphill, both ways, to get to school? And that was *after* they had milked the cows, mended the clothes, fed the chickens, and split the wood to make kindling. Well, now you may have a taste of the life they led, and maybe find out it wasn't all that bad in some ways! Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour will take you back in time and show you some of Denver's historic legacies. Depending on the season, tour may include places like the Four-Mile House, the Littleton Historic Museum and sites within the foothills. Guides will demonstrate the raw truth of these frontier days, and you'll be able to conclude whether or not the folks from Denver's first days were living lucky or not! Join us, pardner! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal. Tour destinations vary and may include charge for museum entry)

Denver Goes Green Tour

There's a lot more green to Denver than just the trees! Denver has set its eye on the future and is leading the country in many environmentally friendly "green" initiatives. Join Denver History Tours on this look at Denver's green machine, both present and planned for the future. We might visit the EPA District 8 office, housed in an entirely green building, or we might hear from RTD, or talk with the folks who recycle everything you put in those little purple bins; each tour will take us somewhere new. With more surprises in store, it will be a fascinating day! The facility tours do entail a bit of walking. PLEASE BRING IDENTIFICATION; this will be necessary to enter some of the buildings. The tour includes an hour for lunch, so bring some money to cover your meal. We'll see you where the grass is always greener ...Denver!

Denver Infill Tour

What is Infill? Presented by Denver History Tours, this tour shows you how exciting and dynamic a city can be, and it's all about the infill! Infill is the process of taking an empty spot within a city and using it, or redeveloping a building or lot that has outlived its use. No suburban sprawl for Denver; we're filling in and up! Join us for a blend of Denver's past, present and future. You'll see how many of Denver's beautiful buildings of the past are being reborn in new and useful ways, and about how those endless oceans of surface parking lots are drying up and disappearing as well. Once this tour is done, you'll be able to impress your friends and family with all the latest news and gossip about the Mile High City. You'll be the GO TO person on Denver, and that's something to shout about,

so join us! We promise not to tell where you got your information! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Denver Orientation Tour

Think you know the city of Denver? Think again! Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour looks at the city from beginning to present, telling you many tales, contrasting the past with the present, letting you know the plans for the future, getting you a mile high, letting you know the fiascos and the follies, the romance and the rumors and more! Enthusiastically relayed by folks who can just *never* get enough of this stuff, you'll hear some things that you knew, and some things that you didn't and some things that you had never imagined. And who couldn't stand to know their home a little better? (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Denver Parks Tour

The parks of the city of Denver are numerous and diverse in their amenities and history. Join Denver History Tours as we see these gems in green, both large and small, well known and little known. Some offer views, some offer respite, some have even offered beaches, but they all have stories to share. Leave the dog at home, this tour's for people! The ancestors of Denver "gave while they lived" and this is your chance to see their legacy. Just watch out for the contributions from the geese! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Elegance

All along the Front Range of Colorado are symbols of refinement and examples of the finer ways of life. The Broadmoor Hotel, the Hotel de Paris, skating, quilts, carriages and stained glass, the Rocky Mountains were not just for cowboy boots and spittoons. Join Denver History Tours for a taste of the finer side. Lifting your pinkie is not required! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Estes Exemplaries

Time for a peek at the Peak to Peak! Join Denver History Tours for a trek to Estes Park, cradled in some of the most beautiful scenery in the United States. With history and mystery, scenery and steam, Estes Park has something for everyone, all under the glittering eyes of the splendor of Rocky Mountain National Park. We don't guarantee you'll have an elk join you for lunch, but it's been known to happen; watch your sandwich! This is a tour not to be missed, with plenty to bugle about, so let's go! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Exploring the Safety Net

As we go about our day most of us don't think about the safety nets that exist beneath us at all times, but when unhappy events arrive, from things as small as a fender bender to as large as a natural disaster, there are people there to take care of us. Join Denver History Tour to explore the places and hear from the people who are charged with public safety,

such as the police, fire fighters, crime scene investigators and the voices on the other end of a call to 911. Let's hope you never have to rely on their services, but whether or not that moment arrives, you'll have learned a little more about the net that is stretched beneath your tight-rope walk through life. (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal. PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU MUST ALSO HAVE IDENTIFICATION TO TAKE PART IN THIS TOUR)

First Families Tour

The hallways they walked still stand in many corners of the city and their stories echo through Denver's history. They are the families that made Denver great. The Byers, the Evans, the Cheesmans, the Tabors, the Moffats, the Boettchers and many others had a vision for what a lonely outpost on the high plains could become. Though some might argue with their methods and their morals, they left indelible marks. Offered by Denver History Tours, we'll see some of the legacies they left behind. Some of them might surprise you. We'll have an hour for lunch, so bring some spending money. It's not quite dining at the White House, but we'll hit the menus Denver style! See you there!

Fortunes in Fort Collins

Ranked one of the best places to live in the United States more than once, Fort Collins has a rich history and much more to offer than its beautiful campus. From its thoroughly walkable Old Town to the fantastic view of the city from the drive along Horsetooth Reservoir, we'll explore this beautiful city at the northern end of the Front Range. Join Denver History Tours for a trek north and back through time to this not-so-hidden gem on the Cache La Poudre. (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

From Airport and Army to Neighborhood: a Tour of Stapleton, Lowry and Fitzsimons

Stapleton, Lowry and Fitzsimons are three names that used to mean something very different to the people of Denver. Stapleton the airport moved the public from here to there. Lowry was not open to the public--a place where the military conducted its business as an air force base. Fitzsimons was an army medical center. All three have been redeveloped as modern neighborhoods, but here and there signs of the old functions can still be seen. Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour shows you how these three dynamos of Denver have been reborn as something else entirely, showing you their past, their present and their future. If you haven't had a drive through recently, you won't believe your eyes! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Glories of Government: Denver's Political Palaces

There's more to government than laws and filibusters, mud slinging and speeches. Join Denver History Tours as we visit some of the halls where all of the people, by the people and for the people is brought to life. There's art, there's history, there's architecture and mystery! From the capitol and City and County Building, framing Denver's Civic Center

Park, we'll also take in some lesser known buildings, and even some of the city halls of the past. Don't object! It will be a judiciously good time! Whether you're just a Bill, a Jane, a Kyle or a Mary, this is the tour for you. PLEASE BRING IDENTIFICATION; this will be necessary to enter some of the buildings. (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal.)

Great Greeley Tour

Greeley was founded as a Utopian ideal on the high, pure plains of the world, where the literal elevation would translate into elevated mores, elevated minds. Well, it didn't quite work out that way, but Greeley still offers a lot to lift one's mood. Join us on this tour of some forgotten gems in this city just off the beaten path. From the city's outdoor pedestrian mall and slices of German heritage to its museums highlighting the pioneer west, with a nod to the smell of cows, we'll give you a new appreciation for this excellent city. The tour includes an hour for lunch, so bring some money to cover your meal. By the end of the tour you might end up thinking that a bit of Utopia was achieved after all!

Haunted Denver Tour

Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour bus tour includes a drive through many of Denver's most beautiful older neighborhoods where guests will view some of Denver's architectural wonders—both residential and otherwise. This backdrop will help to further explore the characters and events that have resulted in some of the city's best known ghost stories. Guests will learn about the imposing Lumber Baron Inn Bed and Breakfast; the ghost of Denver's influential Madam Mattie Silks; Sassy Springer and her lovers;; the ghosts of Capitol Hill and its mansions; and more. And although guests on this tour will be unable to visit Denver's famous Red Rocks Park, they will hear the tales of the city's most notorious ghoul, the Hatchet Lady of Red Rocks—still rumored to terrorize the park to this day. (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Holiday Lights Tour

Come see the glittering lights and the fanciful sights on this five-hour bus tour of the holiday season offerings around Denver. We'll head to the City and County Building in downtown Denver, into neighborhoods and into slices of color around the city to entertain your eye. Each year is different, based on our critical reconnaissance. There will be a half-hour stop for hot chocolate and snacks; please have your dinner before you come! Come along and let us put the holiday twinkle in your eye on this tour of the holiday lights of Denver! (Participants should bring money for their snacks)

Hot Chocolate Tour

What could be better for the soul than tempting one's taste buds? Offered by Denver History Tours, this tour shows you some secret sweet spots you might not know about, as well as one or two you do. Breathe in the aroma, don't be shy. In the middle of the tour, we'll stop for some lunch so you don't make yourself sick eating nothing but sweets.

Participants should bring money to buy goodies along the way, and something more for lunch. And make sure you get some hot chocolate!

How Things Work Tour

Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour will look at the way things work in the background of your life. They may not be glamorous, they may not smell pretty, but they are essential parts of any large city. Sites could include an Xcel Energy power plant and the Denver Waste Treatment Plant, and more. These are fascinating chances to learn about the structures underneath our lives, so don't be squeamish. There will be a one-hour break for lunch, so bring some money. PLEASE NOTE --- There will be a lot of walking, standing and time in the sun on this tour. There will be breaks, but we will be ON THE GO, so keep that in mind if you register. Bring a friend and learn what happens when you flush! See you there! PLEASE BRING IDENTIFICATION; this will be necessary to enter some of the buildings. (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Immigrants: Building Denver from the Bottomlands Up

The Americans who crossed the prairies in search of gold and founded Denver in 1858 were not the last wave of immigrants to come to the Queen City of the Plains in search of the glitter of a better life. Successive waves of immigrants from all over the world have made significant marks on the city, giving it some of its most noted buildings and richest flavors. Once segregated from the rest of the city, many have since integrated into the tapestry of Denver while others yet remain distinct. Come hear the tales of triumph, conflict, racism, redemption and more. Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour highlights the remarkable contributions of many of our ancestors, some of which are so taken for granted today as to be virtually invisible. Now THAT'S a spicy meatball! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal.)

Judaic Denver Tour

Denver's history represents many backgrounds with people from around the world bringing their traditions, languages and religions to add to the mix that has made the Mile High City. The primary Jewish migrations into the High Plains took place in the 1800s, leaving a remarkable and indelible presence that has carried through to the modern day. This five-hour bus tour will show you sites from both the past and the present, tell you the stories and leave you with a greater appreciation for this often overlooked aspect of Denver's tapestry. We'll learn of the movements, both in religious practice and in neighborhoods, that have marked the progress of Denver's Jewish citizens. There will even be a break for lunch at the East Side Kosher Deli, so bring some money for your meal. We'll see you there. L'chaim!

Lariat Loop

With the arrival of the car, a number of scenic drives sprang up around the United States to get people out to enjoy the best our country has to offer. Everyone's heard of Route

66, for example. Our own local variant may not be as famous, but it's beautiful and filled with history all the same. The fabled Lariat Loop is so full of things to see, learn and do that you'll need more than one tour to see it all. As it is, we'll give you a sampling of all the delights along this mountainous escape so you may return in the future! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Lost Cities of Denver Tour

You've heard of Westminster, Littleton and Aurora, some of the suburbs surrounding the great city of Denver. When traveling around the country, however, it's best just to say Denver! How about Glendale and Sheridan? Perhaps yes, perhaps no? How about Mountain View and Edgewater? And did you know that Lakeside Amusement Park is its own city, complete with a mayor and police force? Long before the large suburbs such as Lakewood sprang up, there were smaller towns surrounding Denver, often created to avoid the evils of decadent Denver. It's time to tour these forgotten cities, lost worlds surrounded and swallowed up by the cities we know today. There's more there than you might think! Join Denver History Tours for this fascinating look into some slices of municipal past. The tour includes an hour for lunch, so bring some money to cover your meal. Maybe we'll even meet some mayors!

Loveland Arts Tour

In 1985, Loveland became the first city in the state to set aside money for art in public places. Now valued at more than six million dollars, Loveland's wide array of outdoor art includes more than 250 pieces. Presented by Denver History Tours, join us on this five-hour tour as we show you a wide sampling of the city's art, whether inspiring, controversial, beautiful or just plain old strange. It's time to take in some of art's most enduring expressions. Won't you join us? (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Loveland Valentine Tour

Are you in the mood for love? Well, who isn't? Join Denver History Tours for a tour northward to the heart of love in Colorado, the city of Loveland. The Valentine's Day Re-Mailing Program keeps the postal system in Loveland busy, stamping and sending out more than 200,000 envelopes filled with love every year. You'll get your valentines personally stamped, ready to send off to the sweetheart of your choice; maybe you have more than one! We'll also visit the museum to see the valentine poems and art of the past. It's love in action in Loveland, and we'll even take in one or two of the city's famous statues (from the warmth of the bus, of course) and more. The tour includes an hour for lunch, so bring some money to cover your meal. Get ready to pucker up!

More Bank for the Buck

Join Denver History Tours as we visit those temples of commerce: banks! We'll see the Federal Reserve Branch bank in downtown Denver, a very exclusive address for a greenback, and we'll see some of the other banks of the city. Many are very historic structures, with beautiful architecture and art designed to show off the opulence that once

helped people to trust their banks. Some bank buildings have been decommissioned, so we might even get to see a safe! We'll talk about the history of Denver's commerce, from its earliest home-minted gold coins, through its years as Wall Street of the West, to its modern role as regional financial and commercial center. There will be some walking as we visit the banks, so come with your comfortable shoes. PLEASE BRING IDENTIFICATION; this will be necessary to enter the Federal Reserve. This tour includes an hour for lunch, so bring enough money for your meal; please don't consider robbing one of our hosts!

Newport of the Rockies: the Luxury of Colorado Springs

Gold wasn't the only thing that brought people to Colorado. The beautiful scenery and pure air were golden possibilities to those who saw the Front Range as potential playground for the rich and famous. The resplendent Broadmoor Hotel was built to be the centerpiece of Colorado Springs, branded the "Newport of the Rockies," after that elite locale back in the civilized east. Presented by Denver History Tours, this six-hour tour shares the history of this fascinating town. We'll see the Broadmoor and other addresses that still impress. The tour includes an hour for lunch, so bring some funds for your food! From the vertical beauty of the Garden of the Gods and the Air Force Academy Chapel to Pikes Peak towering over it all, won't you join us for a luxurious day?

Reading the West; Libraries and Bookstores of Denver

This wonderful tour looks at the written word, and the buildings that have been built to house them, sell them, promote them and disseminate them. From the Tattered Cover, said to be the largest independent bookstore in the nation, to the historic libraries of the Denver Public Library and on down to the little, fascinating used bookstores, we'll see some of everything. Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour will highlight some of the history and architecture as well. Come check out Denver's temples to the book and maybe find the tome of your life! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Romantic Vistas of Denver Tour

Perfect for Valentine's Day or anyone with a romantic turn of heart, this tour shows you some of the best views of Denver, places to take your sweet babboo, as well as the spots where Denverites of the past wove their romantic tales, some torrid, some tragic, all memorable. Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour may very well enflame the passions, and we all know where *that* ends up! So, come along and taste some romance, Mile High Style! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

School's In!

Who said the days of reading, writing and 'rithmetic are over? The history of the Denver Public Schools is a long and rich one, replete with surprising tales and memorable architecture. The halls of students were once seen as monuments to the glory of learning

and decorated accordingly. Offered by Denver History Tours, you will be entertained by stories of scholastic rivalries, the trials of integration, and wonderful sesquipedalian speeches without a single multiplication table in sight. Bring money for your lunch or someone might be tempted to take a ruler to your knuckles. Don't be a dunce! Recess is over, so let's get back to class!

Slices of Science in Denver

Far from being blinded by science, we're going to go and get illuminated! Join Denver History Tours for some of Denver's temples of science, where the discoveries of tomorrow are being made today! We might visit the National Ice Core Laboratory, or the National Center for Atmospheric Research; the possibilities are endless! So, put on your walking shoes and let's put the scientific method to work. Won't you join us? (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal.)

Streetcar Neighborhoods Tour

Once upon a time Denver had the second largest streetcar system in the nation. The streetcar linked the city to the hinterland, allowing folks to begin their suburban dreams, and brought generations of workers, revelers and everyone else downtown to pursue their various purposes. It was all here: horse drawn, electric and cable. The early electric system had a tendency to shock people and horses that walked on the track in wet weather, but it still brought the city of Denver together. Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour will show you where the lines ran, how the neighborhoods they served were changed by their presence, and how whole cities were able to exist because of them. The streetcars are no more, but the signs of their presence remain. As Denver spends billions to put them back, our modern Lightrail trains, it's time to pay homage to the trolleys of the past! All aboard! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Suburbs Northwest

The suburbs of Arvada and Westminster, to the northwest of Denver, have much to offer, from history and art to food and tales about trees. As Arvada prepares to ride the rails of the Gold Line, the RTD FasTracks expansion, into the future, join Denver History Tours for a lesson in all these cities are and have been in the past. You might be surprised, so let's skew the compass a little off *north* and make it a day! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

That's Entertainment, Denver Style

Do you think the lights of Broadway shine the brightest in the world? Thomas Edison would have once disagreed; he found the lights of Denver's entertainment row to outshine them all. Join Denver History Tours as we look at the modern and historical worlds of entertainment, sharing the grace of dance, the belly laughs of comedy and the pathos of dramatic works with those who perhaps have not yet had their fifteen minutes upon the stage. You won't have to memorize any monologues, so just sit back and prepare for a

ride worthy of an Oscar. You'll end up shouting "Encore!" (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

There's Gold in Them Thar Hills

Let's head into the hills to see the boomtowns that filled the Front Range, and the mines that gave them their reason to be! Cities like Idaho Springs and Georgetown got rich on metals, and on mining the men who mined the mountains, honestly and not! Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour will take in some of the mountain boomtowns that have given Colorado so much of its history. Depending on the season, we may also take in a mine! Stories aplenty, some shameful, some shocking, will make the day a memorable one ...and who knows, you might even catch gold fever yourself! Check for that twinkle in your eye, grab your pan and hit the hills! Or just take this tour and learn about it all from the comfort of a bus. Gold! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal. Depending on season, this tour may also include an entry fee to a museum)

There's Nothing Little about Littleton

When Denver became a city and county, the title of county seat passed to a smaller city to the south, Littleton. This was not Littleton's first moment in the spotlight, however. Long heralded as the 'lily of the valley,' especially as compared with its decadent and troubled neighbors, Denver and Englewood, the city of Littleton has treasures of history, architecture, transportation and more. Alfred Packer, in one piece, went to his grave in Littleton. Presented by Denver History Tours, this tour includes some walking, so do come prepared for the outside world, and bring some funds to cover your lunch during an hour break for the meal. Seat of government, entertainment and history, please join us for our tour of the excellent city of Littleton.

Up, Up and Away!

It's been a long time since humanity let slip the surly bounds of earth and took to the sky. Airports still have a dramatic impact on the urban landscape, not just geographically, but economically and even culturally. Join Denver History Tours as we learn about the modern face of Denver's aviation world, with a little history thrown in along the way. So, turn your eyes skyward and come on along! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal. PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU MUST ALSO HAVE IDENTIFICATION TO TAKE PART IN THIS TOUR)

We're Bound for Boulder

More than just the landing place for Mork from Ork, Boulder is a dynamic city that is known across the nation for many things, from its university to its view and everything in between. Join Denver History Tours and cross the green shielding surrounding this fascinating spot below the Flatirons. Whether you are an admirer or just someone who sighs and scratches your head, you'll learn a lot! After all, it's not every city where the mountains indicate their approval with a THUMBS UP! So, board a bison and let's go! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Wilderness Walks

This tour combines the best of both worlds, with scenic walks to enjoy the beauty of Denver and the Rocky Mountains, and the comfort of a bus to whisk you there and take you to lunch! Who could complain about that? Join Denver History Tours for a walk through the wild places of Colorado, but don't let that word "wild" make you think you'll be fighting off bears or be in danger of falling off cliffs. The places we go are as easy as it's possible to be, no rappelling required! We'll cater the day to your needs, so let's plan it together! There's much to see in ready driving distance, so choose your time, lace up your boots, and let's hit the near-horizontal! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)

Wineries of the Front Range Tour (seasonal, overnight tour)

Presented by Denver History Tours, this overnight tour takes you to some of Colorado's wineries. You don't have to go to France or the Napa Valley to make wine. The plentiful sunshine and wholesome air of the mountains combine with the fruit of Colorado soil to make some memorable vintages. From Estes Park down to Canon City, this tour takes in some of the finest. We'll even stop for some cheese! Bring some friends and prepare for an overnight excursion you never imagined could happen in Colorado! It's the Front Range Winery Tour!

Women's History Tour

Presented by Denver History Tours! Is the history of Denver just about men? Absolutely not! Come discover the 'weaker' sex that made Denver proud --- and made it blush. Women ventured out of the home, across the prairie, up the mountains, and into our history. Presented by Denver History Tours, this five-hour tour lets you in on the secrets of what they wore --- or didn't --- what they cooked, where they went, and what they did, and what the men thought about it all. Come meet the noble and notorious women of Denver, from Chipeta, the Ute woman who negotiated for peace, to Mattie Silks, the madam who negotiated for sex. So, leave your bloomers behind and join us for the truth about who tamed the West! (This tour includes a one-hour break for lunch. Participants should bring money for their meal)

Wonderful Wild Things

There's a lot more to the world than the civilized places we call home. Let's go for a romper-stomper of a tour and see where the wild things roam! Join Denver History Tours for an exploration of the places devoted to taking care of our friends in the animal kingdom. We'll get to see them, learn about them, maybe even pet one or two, depending on where we go, so bring your lint brush for after the tour. Don't worry; we won't make you swing from any vines! (Tour includes a break for lunch, so please bring some money for your meal.)