

High Country South Park City Guided Driving Tour

Round Trip Distance: 40 Miles

Driving Time: 1 ½ Hours

Car Difficulty (1 to 10): 5

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Maximum Altitude: 11,542 (Hoosier Pass)

Altitude Change from Breckenridge Altitude: 1,700 Feet

Web Site: <http://www.southparkcity.org/>

The South Park Guided Driving tour will take us south on State Route 9, over Hoosier Pass at 11,542 Feet to Fairplay. We will stop at the Hoosier Pass Summit, prior to the descent through the Arapahoe and Pike National Forests into the town of Fairplay. The view from the Summit is very nice, and to the west Quandary Peak (14,265), Mount Lincoln (14,286) and Mount Bross (14,172) may be visible, along with the Continental Divide Sign.

Just as we enter Fairplay, the entrance to South Park will be on the right. There will be limited parking,, please be careful and patient. There is an entrance fee for the visit to South Park.

South Park City is a remarkable restoration of an early mining town, preserving the history of our nation's frontier while it educates and entertains the present. Located in Fairplay, Colorado, the museum is an accurate representation of a mining town between 1860 and 1900. Thirty-four authentic buildings filled with over 60,000 artifacts portray most of the economic and social aspects of boomtown life. Seven of the buildings are on their original sites; the others have been moved from abandoned camps and ghost towns in South Park, a 900 square mile basin surrounded by Colorado's majestic Rocky Mountains. The restored buildings contain period room settings and exhibits illustrating the professions, trades and industries that contributed to life in a nineteenth century Colorado mining town.

Lunch will not be provided, however, there are several eating establishments available within walking distance in the town of Fairplay.

Our Return will take us north on State Route 9, over Hoosier Pass for the return back to Breckenridge. This is not a difficult drive, and the view from Hoosier Pass and the tour of South Park are well worth the trip.

For more information regarding South Park City, please visit their Web Site at <http://www.southparkcity.org/> .

Maps, Brochures and detailed directions are available in the Hospitably Area. Please Review the High Altitude Driving Tips and Staying Healthy Tips Handouts.