

## **High Country Self Guided Tours Georgetown-Silverton Loop Train Ride**

**Round Trip Distance: 125 Miles**

**Driving Time: 3 Hours**

**Car Difficulty (1 to 10): 6**

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**Maximum Altitude: 11,158**

**Altitude Change from Breckenridge Altitude: 1,500 Feet**

**Web Site: <http://www.gtownloop.com/>**

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Georgetown is approximately 60 miles east of Breckenridge. The trip will take you north on Route 9, then east on I-70 with a climb to 11,000 feet through the Eisenhower tunnel to Georgetown. The driving time is approximate 1 ½ hours each way.

The beauty of the rugged Rocky Mountains surrounds you as old-time steam locomotive chugs its way up the canyon, past the remains of several gold and silver mines. Shortly after leaving Georgetown, the train passes over Devil's Gate High Bridge, and will follow the corkscrew route of horseshoe curves, grades up to 4%, and four bridges as covers the 600 foot elevation change to Silver Plume.

The train is pulled by a Steam Locomotive with open cars to allow an unobstructed view of everything along the line. Gift shops at both ends of the line offer outstanding selections of railroad themed items, books, clothing, snack foods, and hot and cold drinks. Food is permitted on the train.

Be sure to visit the Georgetown-Silver Plume National Historic Landmark District, established in 1966. They have one of the largest concentrations of Victorian buildings in the country, with many unique shops and restaurants. Visit the Colorado Wear shop on 6<sup>th</sup> Street, and see the 1901 Soda Fountain before returning to Breckenridge.

The round trip train fare is \$18.75 (\$16.50 under 12), and the train ride is approximately 1 ¼ hours each way. There is a \$2.00 discount for group sales.

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