

Denver List
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Why Denver Matters

On the scale of expectations, Denver should fail. The gold rush is over and a lot of the business and industry that it depended on has left town. The city lost its competitive advantage – but it came back. It was one thing – and it became another. Denver discovered that active, edgy and cool people love cities – and cities love them back. A quirky, fun and energetic vibe abounds in this city. It is not perfect and knows it. The mayor rides a scooter, brewpubs are everywhere, you can get on the ski train downtown, the great outdoors is top of mind. Successes include loft living, LoDo, mass transit/high speed rail, the new economy, arts & media, weather and the airport. This city “gets it” and has great neighborhoods (like LoDo) and also has one of the most significant urban art scenes (visual and performing) in the country. And the weather! Such a walkable city with mostly days of sunshine and clean mountain air.

Hotels

Brown Palace Hotel & Spa
321 17th Street, at Tremont Street
303.297.3111
www.brownpalace.com

The Curtis
1405 Curtis Street
303.571.0300
www.thecurtis.com

Hotel Monaco
1717 Champa Street, at 17th Street
303.296.1717
www.monaco-denver.com

Oxford Hotel
1600 17th Street, at Wazee Street
303.628.5421
www.theoxfordhotel.com

Hotel Teatro
1100 14th Street, across from the Denver Center for the Performing Arts
303.228.1100
www.hotelteatro.com

Restaurants

1515 Restaurant & Bar
1515 Market Street
303.571.0011
www.1515restaurant.com

Restaurants (continued)

The Avenue Grill
630 East 17th Avenue
303.861.2820
www.avenuegrill.com

The Capital Grille
1450 Larimer Street
303.539.2500
www.thecapitalgrille.com

The Corner Office Restaurant + Martini Bar
1401 Curtis Street
303.825.6500
www.thecornerofficedenver.com

D Bar Desserts
1475 East 17th Avenue
303.861.4710
www.dbardesserts.com

Elway's at Cherry Creek [Best Steakhouse]
2500 East First Avenue, Unit 101
303.399.5353
www.elways.com

Elway's Downtown at the Ritz Carlton Hotel
1881 Curtis Street
303.312.3107
www.elways.com

Il Posto
2011 17th Avenue
303.394.0100
www.ilpostodenver.com

Jax Fish House [CTU's second favorite restaurant in Denver]
1539 17th Street
303.292.5767
www.jaxfishhousedenver.com

The Keg Steakhouse & Bar
1890 Wynkoop Street
303.296.0023
www.kegsteakhouse.com

Limon Restaurant
1618 East 17th Avenue
303.322.0898
www.limondenver.com

Restaurants (continued)

Marlowe's
501 16th Street, at Glenarm Place
303.595.3700
www.marlowesdenver.com

McCormick's Fish House & Bar at Oxford Hotel
1659 Wazee Street
303.825.1107
www.theoxfordhotel.com

Mizuna
225 East 7th Avenue
303.832.4778
www.mizunadenver.com

Oceanaire Seafood Room
1405 Arapahoe Street
303.991.2277
www.theoceanaire.com

Olivéa
719 East 17th Avenue
303.861.5050
www.olivearestaurant.com

Osteria Marco
1453 Larimer Street
303.534.5855
www.osteriamarco.com

Paramount Cafe
519 16th Street
303.893.2000
www.paramountcafe.com

Panzano Restaurant
909 17th Street
303.296.3525
www.panzano-denver.com

Restaurant Kevin Taylor
1106 14th Street
303.820.2600
www.coloradoeats.com

Restaurants (continued)

Rialto Café
934 16th Street
303.893.2233
www.rialtocafe.com

Rioja [CTU's favorite restaurant in Denver]
1433 Larimer Street
303.820.2282
www.riojadenver.com

Ship Tavern at Brown Palace Hotel
321 17th Street, at Tremount Street
303.297.3111
www.brownpalace.com

Sushi Den
1487 South Pearl Street
303.777.0826
www.sushiden.net

Steuben's
523 East 17th Avenue
303.830.1001
www.steubens.com

Sullivan's Steakhouse
1745-61 Wazee Street
303.295.2664
www.sullivansteakhouse.com

TAG
1441 Larimer Street
303.996.9985
www.tag-restaurant.com

Tamayo Restaurant
1400 Larimer Street
720.946.1433
www.modernmexican.com

Tastes Wine Bar & Bistro
1033 East 17th Avenue
303.459.2311
www.tasteswinebar.com

Tavern Uptown
538 East 17th Avenue
303.830.9210
www.tavernhg.com

Restaurants (continued)

Wazee Supper Club
1600 15th Street
303.623.9518
www.wazeesupperclub.com

Wynkoop Brewing Company
1634 18th Street
303.297.2700
www.wynkoop.com

Zengo Restaurant
1610 Little Raven Street
720.904.0965
www.modernmexican.com

Food Shops/Quick Lunch

Café at Tattered Cover Bookstore, LoDo
1628 16th Street, at Wynkoop Street
303.436.1070
www.tatteredcover.com

Cooks Fresh Market
1600 Glenarm Place, Suite 120
303.893.2277
www.cooksfreshmarket.com

Corner Bakery Café
500 16th Street
303.572.0166
www.cornerbakerycafe.com

Dazbog Coffee (several locations, see website for more)
1100 E. 17th Ave & Downing 303.831.1000
110 16th Street 303.620-9830
www.dazbogcoffee.info

Happy Cakes
3815 West 32nd Avenue
303.477.3556
www.happycakesdenver.com

Marczyk Fine Foods
770 East 17th Avenue, corner of 17th and Clarkson
303.894.9499
www.marczykfinefoods.com

Food Shops/Quick Lunch (continued)

Pete's Kitchen
1962 Colfax Avenue
303.321.3139
www.petesrestaurants.com

St. Mark's Coffee House
2019 East 17th Avenue
303. 322. 8384
www.stmarkscoffeehouse.com

The Market at Larimer Square
1445 Larimer Square
303.534.5140
www.themarketatlarimer.com

Wahoo's Fish Taco
1521 Blake Street
303.623.0263
www.wahoos.com

Arts/Public Spaces

Denver Art Museum
Denver Center for the Performing Arts
Denver Public Library
Museum of Contemporary Art
Kirkland Museum
Big Blue Bear at Denver Convention Center
Skyline Park
Civic Center Park and State Capital
Commons Park
Confluence Park
Cherry Creek Trail
South Platte River Trails
Ride the Light Rail System

Shopping/Walking

16th Street Pedestrian Mall
Larimer Square
LoDo (specifically Tattered Covered Bookstore)
Cherry Creek Shopping Center
Cherry Creek North
REI Flagship Store
17th Street between Broadway and City Park (called "Uptown")

Day Trip to Boulder

Hotel Boulderado

St. Julien Hotel

Boulder County Farmers Market, 13th Street adjacent to Central Park

Boulder Book Store

Pearl Street – main street downtown; pedestrians only; lined with bookstores, art galleries, coffeehouses, boutiques and restaurants