

TOUR THE COLORADO CREATIVE CORRIDOR!

5 SMALL MOUNTAIN TOWNS FULL OF BIG CREATIVITY & INSPIRATION

48,104' OF ELEVATION

3 MOUNTAIN PASSES

6 CREATIVE DISTRICTS

8 IN TOWN RIVERS

16 DISTILLERIES & WINERIES

10 CRAFT BREWERIES

8 HOT SPRINGS

1000+ ARTISTS & CREATIVE BUSINESSES

60 GALLERIES & MUSEUMS

116 RESTAURANTS

3 RESERVOIRS

9 WILDERNESS AREAS

10 ART CENTERS

1 NATIONAL PARK

1 NATIONAL MONUMENT

44 PERFORMING ARTS VENUES

14 FILM FESTIVALS

28 MUSIC FESTS & CONCERT SERIES

12 ALPINE & NORDIC SKI AREAS

5 HISTORIC DOWNTOWNS

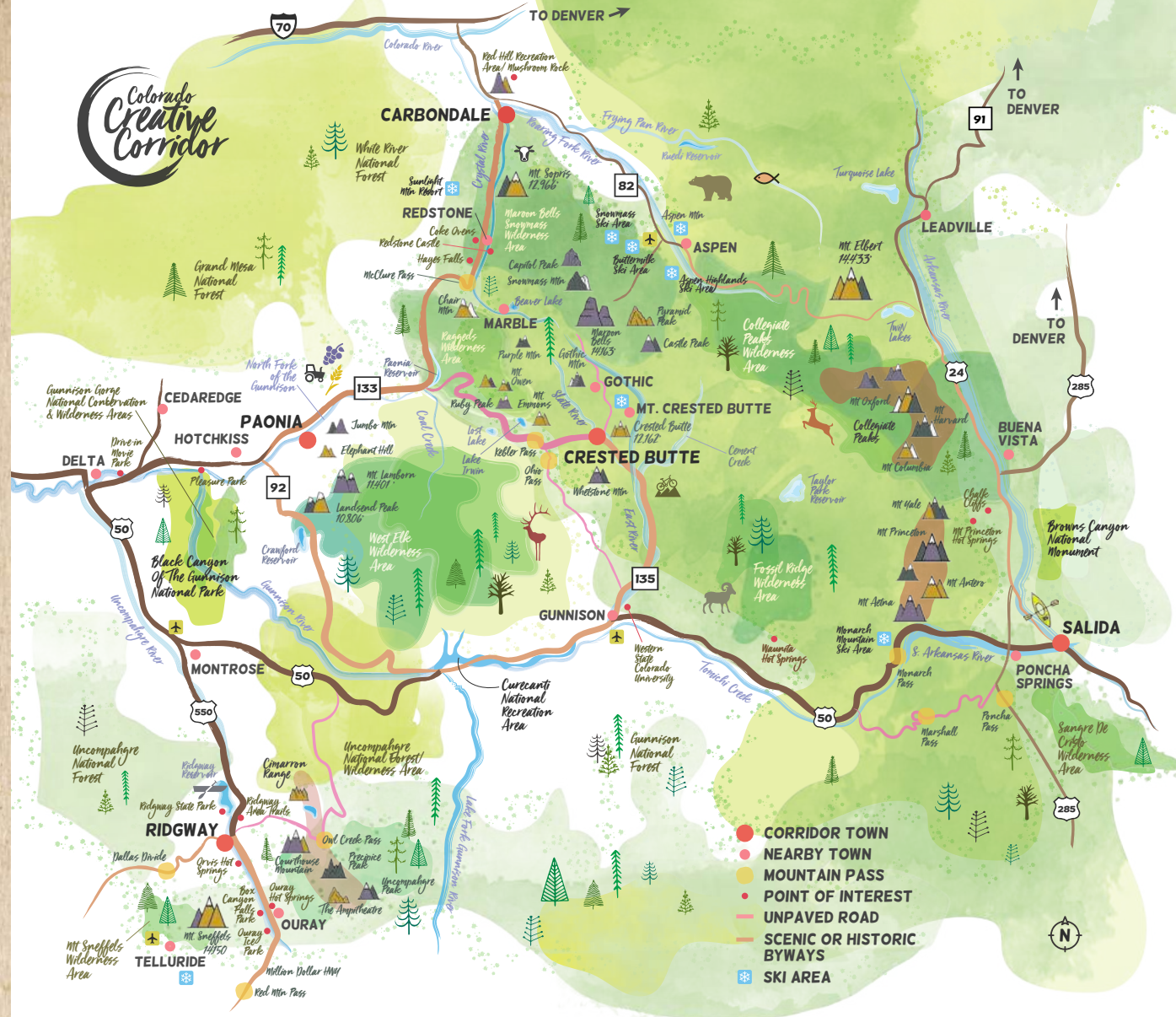
4 SCENIC & HISTORIC BYWAYS

12 VIEWABLE MOUNTAIN RANGES

COUNTLESS HIKING & BIKING

TRAILS

16,300+ SMILING LOCALS



Thank you

TO OUR PARTNERS



SALIDA
Creative District



creative district
CRESTED BUTTE



COLORADO
COME TO LIFE

The Colorado Creative Corridor travels 331 miles through a handful of state-certified Creative District destinations including Carbondale, Crested Butte, Paonia, Ridgway and Salida. These five towns combine to offer a collective experience of unique events and activities, alongside mountain town eclecticism and culture, majestic vistas and outdoor recreation.

CARBONDALE sits on the confluence of the Crystal and Roaring Fork Rivers at the foot of the mighty Mount Sopris where over 200 creatives reside. Rich agricultural history and an artistic flair combine to form a community focused on health and wellness, local food production and four-season recreation to boot.

Tucked in the North Fork Valley under the watchful eye of Mt. Lamborn and surrounded by the beauty of the West Elks Wilderness, **PAONIA** has a thriving arts community including a high altitude winery association and the largest number of natural and organic farms, per capita, in Colorado.

Once described as a surf town in the mountains, **CRESTED BUTTE** features a National Historic District with vibrant Victorian storefronts and expressive local characters. Stroll within the walkable downtown and pop into any of ten galleries and a host of small creative businesses. Be sure to visit the newly completed 28,000 sq. ft. Center for the Arts, to catch a concert, gallery reception, art workshop, or cultural event.

Nestled in the picturesque Uncompahgre Valley and surrounded by the majestic snow-capped peaks of the Cimarrons and San Juans, the **RIDGWAY** experience satisfies art lovers, foodies, history buffs, and outdoor enthusiasts. Spend the day on an adventure, soak in the hot springs or tour this charming community while noting public art and creative surprises, including those found in our alleyways.

For some of the best views of soaring mountaintops in the state head to **SALIDA**, a haven for culture seekers and outdoor enthusiasts alike. While in the town of 6,400 residents, visit several artist studios and galleries, participate in artists' workshops and attend live performances at The SteamPlant Theater, or celebrate during the warm weather months the talented local musicians with the outdoor summer concert series.



ROAD TRIP!

Grab your friends, family, or both and prepare yourself for five days of stunning landscapes and creative inspiration around every corner.

DAY
1

Begin your journey in **CARBONDALE** and head south over McClure Pass the fourth steepest pass in Colorado!

DAY
2

Head south: Make your way an hour and 15 minutes to the lovely enclave of **PAONIA**, passing by lush orchards and vineyards as you go.

DAY
3

Head east: In summer or early fall head east two hours over scenic Kebler Pass, featuring the largest Aspen grove in Colorado, to the active and creative town of **CRESTED BUTTE**. In the winter, during the pass closure, take CO-92 to US-50 & then drive north from Gunnison.

DAY
4

Head south & west: Drive two hours and 15 minutes south and west to the mountain-cradled town of **RIDGWAY**.

DAY
5

Head east: There's lots to do and see on the way to **SALIDA**, including national forests, wilderness areas, scenic mountain passes and hot springs.

Find a detailed itinerary with recommended food, drinks, activities, lodging and more!

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