

**SINGLE PARENT TOURS – TELLURIDE COLORADO
JULY 21-28, 2012
Presented in conjunction with Maxim Tours**



Join us for this exciting one week trip to the High Rockies and the Wild West. We have included activities that are both lots of fun and historically and culturally educational. Our Single Parent Tours package has excursions for the whole family as well as some very special separate events for parents and children. There is also ample time to relax at your deluxe Peaks Resort & Spa Hotel, with wraparound stunning views of Colorado, wherever you turn and resort activities galore for everyone.

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Saturday, July 21

Arrival day

Today you arrive Peaks Resort and Spa Hotel in Telluride for your 7 night stay in the High Rocky Mountains. *Please see transportation information at the end of the itinerary for nearby airports and driving directions.* This evening (time to be advised), there will be a welcome reception and pizza party at the hotel. Included is a complimentary glass of wine or beer for the adults and juice or soft drinks for the kids followed by appetizers and pizza. (Gratuities included). During the reception, a representative of the Telluride Tourist Board and/or the Peaks Hotel will go over the Single Parent Tour program and what the area and the hotel have to offer in addition to the SPT program activities.

Peaks Resort is at 9000 feet in altitude so for the sea level folks among you, take it easy this first day. Eat lightly, limit your alcohol content, (1 alcoholic beverage = 2 at this altitude) and most importantly, see that you and your children drink lots of water, even if you are not thirsty.



As the premier choice among Telluride Colorado resorts, The Peaks offers endless opportunities for summer family recreation. Lounge by the heated outdoor swimming pool, your favorite cocktail in hand, while your kids enjoy the water slide leading from the indoor pool to the outdoor pool. Enjoy the Spa at the Peaks with 32 treatment rooms including saunas, steam rooms, Jacuzzis, weight room, indoor climbing wall and a full service salon. On site is a championship 18 hole golf course, five outdoor lighted tennis courts and opportunities to bike, hike, and enjoy the extraordinary summer festivals. **Plus we have arranged for unlimited use of the game room for all family members! (no more digging for quarters every day).** Dining options include the rustic but elegant Palmyra Restaurant with panoramic views of the mountains and the Lift Café for quick meals. Minutes away by foot is the mountain town of Telluride, offering a wide variety of restaurants ranging from pizza and burgers to fancier mountain cuisine. **(D)**

Sunday, July 22

Morning Jeep Tour

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This morning gather in the lobby at 9:00am (time to be confirmed) for a half day private jeep tour to Telluride's high country. The local rich mining heritage has left a legacy of intertwining jeep roads that provide access to some of the area's highest passes. Your 4x4 jeep will take you to beautiful mountain vistas, alpine lakes, waterfalls, wild flowers, ghost towns, and mining ruins. **Tour includes: Bag lunch, professional guide, transportation and gratuity. Bring camera, hat, sunscreen, water and a light jacket.** (B/L)



Monday, July 23

At leisure

Today is a full day of leisure to enjoy the facilities of the Peaks Resort Hotel. Hit the pool or make an appointment for the spa or hike or take a bike ride. Play golf or tennis. Or take the free gondola ride into downtown historic part of Telluride to explore the shops, restaurants, riverside walking trails, and historic attractions. Have a beer at an historic saloon! Check out the festival calendar to see what is going on in the mountain village, adjacent to the Peaks Hotel. There are activities that the hotel can arrange, at additional cost, such as horseback riding, fishing, kayaking, etc. (B)

Tuesday, July 24

Morning Historic tour of the Old Town

Evening special dinner (adults) + kids night

This morning meet in the hotel lobby at 10:00am (time to be confirmed) and take the free



scenic gondola to the downtown historic area where you will have a 2 hour private guided walking tour. Much of the town's architecture is preserved from its mining days as shown in the historic photo on the left. You will hear tales of the miners, the first electrical conductors, and eventually the town's transition into a skiers paradise. See where Butch Cassidy robbed his first bank! (now a lovely leather shop). The tour concludes with a 45 minute visit to a

superb historical museum, with outdoor "hands on" exhibits about mining. You can even pan for gold. The tour will finish at the museum with an outdoor picnic lunch and root beer floats. **Tour includes: Professional guide, bag lunch, museum admission, root beer floats.**

This evening (time to be announced) it is **Adults Night Off** and **Kids Night Out**. We have a wonderful evening of separate activities planned for each group. Fully supervised, the children will first be taken to the rock wall in the hotel's lower section for some basic rock climbing, followed by a movie night with dinner including pizza, salad, cookies, lemonade and water.

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The adults will begin their well deserved evening with a relaxing wine and cheese reception on the patio overlooking the mountains. The reception includes 2 glasses of wine and a select cheese platter. Next you will move to the adjacent elegant Palmyra Restaurant for a special chef-inspired 4 course gourmet tasting meal, as you watch the sun go down over the spectacular Rockies. ***Tax and gratuities are included for both the children's and the adult evening activities and meals. (B/L/D)***

Wednesday, July 25 Full Day Trip to the Mines and Hot Springs

This morning you gather in the hotel lobby for a unique sampling of the Old West. The San Miguel region is famous for its mining history which you will now experience for yourself. You will travel to nearby Silverton to the Old Hundred Mine and don your hardhat to enter into the caves. Afterward you will stop for lunch at a restaurant in the historic town of Ouray, followed by a dip in the local Hot Springs to end the day.



Tour includes: Transportation, professional guide, mine tour admission, hot springs admission, lunch in a restaurant (Select menu with options). Bring camera, bathing suit, long sleeved shirt, sunscreen, water. (B/L)

Thursday, July 26

Native American Demonstration



This afternoon a special TiPi will be set up on the hotel grounds where you will meet with a local Native American, dressed in full Lakota Sioux regalia, and learn about how the Indians lived when they were the first visitors to Telluride. The demonstration is oriented toward both adults and children and will include activities such as the “Buffalo Rib Game,” flute playing, and creating beaded jewelry and medicine bags. You will learn Indian sign language and some songs in which you can use your new sign language. You will also learn how to set up a small tipi and make a 12 inch tipi to take home. ***(B)***

Friday, July 27

Ah Haa Art School for Kids

This afternoon take the free gondola down to the historic part of town (**time to be confirmed**) and head over to the Ah Haa Art School, located in the historic former train station. The art school instructor will be waiting to greet you and will engage your children (regardless of age) in a 2 hour creative workshop. The art school works with various media – painting, ceramics, textile arts, sculpture, welding, stained glass, and photography. Your child (or children) will learn something new, refine a skill or revive a forgotten art.



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They get to keep the artwork they create as a souvenir of their trip. ***Instructions and materials are included.***

While your budding artists are busy creating, parents are free to stroll the town and shop for souvenirs and gifts or enjoy a fresh lemonade, or cold Colorado brew, unfettered by kids. You can leave your cell phone number with the Art School as an emergency contact. **(B)**

Saturday, July 28

Departure

After breakfast, say goodbye to all your new friends and board your transfer vehicle to the local airport of your choice. **(B)**

Important notices:

** Tour participants may arrive anytime on Saturday, July 21. The tour begins Saturday evening with a welcome reception and pizza party. The tour ends after breakfast on Saturday, July 28.*

** Tour participants must arrange their own flights into Telluride or Montrose Airport, (see transportation section below for details). A car is not necessary or recommended for this tour. There are 2 villages in Telluride; (the mountain town and the historic town) and both are small and walkable and there is regular free transportation between the villages via the scenic gondola.*

** This is a custom designed tour created specially for Single Parent Tours. You will have a private professional guide with all scheduled activities. There is no minimum age for children for activities included in this tour, but very small children (under 5 years) may require constant parental supervision during some of the activities.*

** Please note that Single Parent Tours has negotiated a special flat room rate that eliminates the single supplement and allows up to 4 people in the room, at no additional charge. Included in the room rate is breakfast and tax and the resort fee and a special flat fee that allows everyone in the room unlimited access to the resort hotel's game room for the entire week. (No more shelling out quarters on a daily basis!).*

** Meals included are 7 Breakfasts, 3 lunches and 2 dinners.*

TOUR PRICE:

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- **The price for a single parent with one child (regardless of age) is \$3458.00 total for two.**
- **The price for a single parent with two children (regardless of age) is \$4010.00 total for three.**

The tour will operate with a minimum of 3 families (or minimum 6 passengers). If we do not have 3 families signed up and under deposit by May 22, 2012, the tour will be canceled and deposits will be refunded in full. (The remaining families will have the option of traveling at a slightly higher cost, if they choose).

Tour price includes:

- Hotel with breakfast and taxes and resort fees included.
- Unlimited use of hotel's game room for the entire week for all family members.
- Private guided tours for the Single Parent Tours group as indicated on the itinerary. Professional guide included on each tour.
- Additional meals, drinks, appetizers, as indicated on the itinerary. Meals include 7 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 3 dinners.
- All entrance fees as part of the SPT tours.
- Accommodations are ROH (Run of the House). Although room sizes are similar, some rooms have different views and rooms are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

Not included in the tour price:

- **Domestic airfare from your home city.**
- If you fly into Telluride airport, Peaks Resort will provide a complimentary transfer to the hotel. If you fly into Montrose airport, there is an additional shuttle fee to be paid locally. See transfer section below for more information.
- Items of a personal nature.
- Tips to guides.
- Meals not specified in the itinerary.

Payment Policy: A deposit of \$200.00 per person is required to confirm space on the tour. Deposits are fully refundable if canceled on or before May 21, 2012. Non refundable balance of trip cost is due May 21, 2012. We recommend purchase of trip cancellation insurance, available for purchase on our web site www.maximtours.com or you can search www.insuremytrip.com

Airport arrival and transfer information:

Telluride Airport:

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This airport is only a few minutes from Peaks Resort and the hotel will provide complimentary transfers to the hotel.

Montrose Airport:

This airport is 67 miles from Telluride . The scenic drive takes over one hour to reach the hotel. The shuttle cost is \$46.00 per person each way to be paid locally. *If a small group of people will be arriving about the same time, we will be happy to inquire about a special group transfer rate.*

Arrival by car:

The drive from Denver, Colorado takes about 8 hours and is gloriously scenic, much of it through the Rocky Mountains. A car is not needed during your stay at Telluride as all the attractions in the two towns are reachable via a short walk or the scenic gondola. If you do arrive by car, we will be happy to provide you with specific directions to reach the hotel. There will be a daily parking fee for the car. There is no overnight free street parking in Telluride.