

2024 OVERNIGHT TRIPS

We have two old favorites, and one completely new destination...in a “new” state...this year. I expect all three will be popular with the masses, so it behooves you to be any early bird in making your reservations this year. Remember, you can book now and cancel later, if necessary.

ESCALANTE, UTAH (MAY 13-17, 5 DAYS 4 NIGHTS)

We’ve reserved 17 rooms for this trip at the **Circle D Motel**, with single queens for \$112.50/night, single kings for \$121.50/night and double doubles for \$123.30/night. Call (435) 826-4297 to reserve your room. Your credit card will hold your reservation, but will not be billed until check-in. You may cancel up to May 12 without charge. All rooms are at street level and include free wireless high-speed internet, in-room flat-screen TV, coffee maker, microwave and minifridge. There also are one-bedroom suites with kitchenettes, not part of our reservation, for a significantly higher price. If necessary, we can try to book additional rooms at another hotel, or you can book one of your own. Campers may find space at the Escalante Petrified Forest State Park. They begin taking reservations 4 months prior to arrival, so mark your calendars for January 13 if you intend to camp there. You snooze, you lose.

As of December 8, all rooms at the Circle D have been booked. However, if you’re interested in alternative accommodations in Escalante, you can try the Prospector Inn, across the street from the Circle D. Their rates are competitive with the Circle D, starting at \$122/night plus tax. Book online at [PROSPECTOR INN – Family-built, owned, and operated since 1995 \(prospector-inn.com\)](https://www.prospector-inn.com) or call (435) 826-4653.

GREAT BASIN NATIONAL PARK, NEVADA (JULY 22-26, 5 DAYS 4 NIGHTS)

We are proud to announce our first-ever overnighter to this National Park, established in 1986. If you thought that eastern Nevada is nothing but sagebrush prairie, you’re in for a big surprise. Though part of the “Great Basin”, an expansive depression between the Wasatch on the east and Sierra Nevada on the west, this Park boasts 13000’ Wheeler Peak, as well as numerous alpine lakes and a glacier. Housing is available at the **Border Inn Casino** just across the border from Utah. But we were unable to reserve any rooms there specifically for our group. Rooms are available on a first-come-first-served basis. You can find out what, if any, rooms are still available there at [Hotel Casino & RV Park | Baker & White Pine County, NV | Border Inn Casino](https://www.borderinn.com). You may cancel with no penalty up to 48 hours in advance; if you cancel less than 48 hours in advance, you will be charged for the first night. For campers, there also is an RV park at the Border Inn, as well as 5 developed campgrounds inside the park ([Camping Information - Great Basin National Park \(U.S. National Park Service\) \(nps.gov\)](https://www.nps.gov/greatbasin/camping)). Campgrounds in the park have no RV hook-ups. Otherwise, Ely Nevada, more than 60 miles from the park, is the nearest town of any consequence. Some of us are planning to depart home late in the morning of July 21 with an overnight stay in Salina, Utah. This early group would rendezvous on July 22 at the Super 8 in Salina.

BRECKENRIDGE, COLORADO (SEPTEMBER 2-6, 5 DAYS 4 NIGHTS)

This will be our first overnight trip to Summit County in 10 years. In 2014, we stayed in Breckenridge, which is where we plan to stay this year. We have 6 single king and 10 double queen studio suites reserved for us at the Residence Inn, for \$149/night (\$669.16/4 nights including tax). Each suite also has a sofa bed. Ten additional studio suites may be available at the same price on a first-come-first-served basis. The customary parking fee of \$20/night has been waived for our group (limited to one vehicle per suite). Use this link to make your reservation: [Book Your Group/Corporate Rate | Marriott International](https://www.marriott.com/BookYourGroup). If the initial 16 rooms are booked, call Delaney Brown at (970) 453-1181 x2226 (hotel) or (919) 610-2224 (cell) to reserve one of the additional 10 rooms. Any rooms not reserved by August 5 will be released to the general public. No pre-payment is required, and you have until August 31 to cancel or modify your reservation without penalty.

Each suite includes a kitchenette with coffee maker, full fridge and microwave; flat screen TV; free wi-fi and free hot breakfast; outdoor pool & jacuzzi.