



**OUR SIDE
OF THE
DIVIDE**
DELTA COUNTY ~ COLORADO

Cedaredge
Crawford
Delta
Eckert
Hotchkiss
Orchard City
Paonia

Wine, Spirits, and More

—An Orchards, Vineyards & Sustainable Farms Itinerary—

May through October 2 days/1 night Double Occupancy 2 to 10 person itinerary

Enjoy our relaxed life-style among breathtaking scenery. See how we farm and live with sustainable intention. The stops on this itinerary can be reversed if you are traveling south, and can be increased one day and night to include additional wineries or farms in the North Fork and Surface Creek.

Day 1

- 1:00 pm Arrive at Rivendell Retreat on Redlands Mesa for check-in and facilities orientation. *Optional walk, hike or electric car tour of Rivendell to see the magnificent views.*
- 2:00 pm Mesa Winds Farm on Rogers Mesa. *Wink Davis and Max Eisele are passionate about farm health and sustainability with their 36 acres; they added sheep and geese in 2010 to balance their USDA Certified Organic peaches, apples, grapes, raspberries, asparagus, vegetables and honey. Tour of farm, orchard, vineyard.*
- 4:30 pm Orchard Valley Farms and Black Bridge Winery near Paonia. *Orchard Valley Farms and Black Bridge Winery also illustrates how people thrive when surrounded by beautiful scenery, and so do their “gently grown fruits, vegetables, decorative gourds and grapes.” Visit the tasting room, wander the vineyards, and explore the farm store which features favorites from other local producers. Seasonally, you can harvest your own.*
- 6:00 pm Dinner at the Flying Fork Café and Bakery in downtown Paonia. *The Flying Fork Cafe & Bakery offers fine homemade Italian cuisine & fresh baked artisan breads and pastries. Chef Kelly Steinmetz.*
- 8:30 pm Return to Rivendell for overnight. *Optional stargazing while enjoying the stone campfire circle with s'mores & stories.*

Day 2

- 8:00 am Continental breakfast at Rivendell.
- 9:30 am Jack Rabbit Hill/Peak Spirits on Redlands Mesa. *Jack Rabbit Hill/Peak Spirits produces quality organic wines and spirits, based on bio-dynamic methods; Lance and Anna's passion for their work comes through during tour and tasting. An extraordinary combination of the modern and old-fashioned.*
- 11:00 am Surface Creek Winery & Art Gallery in downtown Eckert. *A small family winery owned by Jim & Jeanne Durr, Surface Creek Winery is located below the southern rim of Grand Mesa, which provides a source of vital irrigation & domestic water. The tasting room combines an attractive tasting bar with the gallery featuring work by wildlife and landscape artists.*
- 11:45 am Drost's Chocolates in downtown Eckert. *A magical chocolate-and-sweets experience from the moment you enter—no matter what your age. The antique cash register collection will amaze you further.*
- 12:30 pm Lunch on own—Cedaredge
- 1:30 pm Colorado Gold Distillery in Cedaredge. *Tour and tasting. Colorado Gold Spirits, distilled using a beautiful copper still. Pam & Tom Cooper's hard work and passion provides you with high quality Colorado-made vodka, gin, and bourbon. Another extraordinary tour.*
- 2:15 pm Grand Mesa National Scenic and Historic Byway, to connect with I70 to head home. *Take the short hike along Land O' Lakes overlook for breathtaking views.*
If itinerary is reversed, traveling south, North Rim of Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park is your last stop, then backtrack to Hwy 92 to head south. *The North Rim of the Black Canyon is high elevation pinyon juniper & browse habitats. Watch for falcon and other birds while enjoying the dizzying views of one of the wonders of American geology.*



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