

ASPEN ALPINE GUIDES

Offering daily snowshoe tours, cross-country skiing, backcountry skiing and ski mountaineering. Private or large group tours available. 970-925-6618, www.aspenalpine.com

ASPEN CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES (ACES)

Let ACES guide you to the wild side of Aspen and Snowmass. Ask about various programs that let you experience the beauty beyond the slopes such as Naturalist-guided hikes, guided snowshoe and skiing tours, the Hallam Lake Nature Preserve located in downtown Aspen and summer Naturalist Field School classes for adults and kids. 970-925-5756, www.aspennature.org

ASPEN CLUB & SPA

This 77,000-square-foot facility offers a large variety of contemporary services from four distinctive components: Spa Aspen, Health, Fitness, Sports Medicine and Well Being. Spend time at the Aspen Club & Spa. Group rates and function space available. 970-925-8900, www.aspenclub.com

ASPEN RECREATION CENTER (THE ARC)

Give your family a unique recreational experience at the Aspen Parks & Recreation Multi-Use Sports Complex. Complete with an Olympic-size pool, NHL-size ice arena, rock climbing, youth center and much more. 970-544-4100, www.aspenrecreation.com

BACKCOUNTRY HUTS AND TRAIL SYSTEMS

The 10th Mountain Division Hut system is located in the mountains of Colorado between Aspen, Leadville and Vail. Styled after the European tradition of hut-to-hut travel, 30 huts provide overnight shelter for seasoned backcountry enthusiasts. The huts are situated between 9,700 and 11,700 feet in elevation and are designed for experienced winter travelers. Most of the huts are open for winter use from Thanksgiving until April 30; summer use also available. 970-925-5775, www.huts.org

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

Enjoy endless miles of groomed track skiing through beautiful scenery in the largest free trail system in North America. Aspen Cross Country Center and The Ute Mountaineer, 970-925-2145, 970-925-2849. Snowmass Club Cross Country Center, 970-923-3148. Ashcroft Ski Touring (privately owned, 12 miles from Aspen). Rentals, snowshoeing and instructors available. 970-925-1971, www.aspennordic.com

EXPEDITIONS

Go beyond the boundaries of the ski slopes on an 'off-piste' ski tour, a backcountry ski adventure, a hut trip, a day of ice climbing, or an avalanche education course with one of Aspen Expeditions' professional AMGA trained or certified guides. Aspen Expeditions is owned and operated by Dick Jackson, IFMGA/AMGA internationally certified mountain guide. 970-925-7625, www.aspenexpeditions.com

GLENWOOD CAVERNS ADVENTURE PARK

Located in the heart of the Rocky Mountains in historic Glenwood Springs, Colorado, Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park offers a fun and unique mountain-top adventure that will create lasting memories. There's something for everyone to enjoy: cave tours, thrill rides, scenic tram rides, rollercoasters etc. Lookout Grille restaurant, kids' activities, and more! Open year-round. 800-530-1635, www.glenwoodcaverns.com

REMÈDE SPA AT THE ST. REGIS

Remède Spa offers a comprehensive menu of customized and results-oriented facial, massage and body treatments, as well as wax and nail services. These treatments and services, combined with signature touches including a luxurious oxygen lounge, chilled champagne, Jacques Torres truffles and cashmere throws, create a decadent spa experience for each guest. 970-429-9038, www.remede.com

GLENWOOD HOT SPRINGS POOL & SPA

Fun for the whole family in Glenwood Springs. Have a soak in the therapy pool or play in the deep pool where lap lanes, water slides, diving board and kiddie pool provide fun for all ages. 800-537-7946, www.hot springspool.com

HORSE-DRAWN CARRIAGE & SLEIGH RIDES

Historical carriage tours of downtown Aspen and one-hour sleigh rides are provided by the Aspen Carriage Company. 970-925-3394, www.aspen carriage.com

Alternate Activities



ELK CAMP

Check out the stary nights from the best seat in town. The Elk Camp Gondola will run on Friday evenings December to March, featuring dinner, dancing and fun family activities.

HOT AIR BALLOON RIDES

Enjoy breathtaking views of Aspen and Snowmass on a sunrise hot air balloon ride.

- **Above it All**, 970-963-6148, www.aboveitallballoon.com
- **Unicorn Balloon Company**, 800-755-0935, www.unicornballoon.com

ICE SKATING

- **Aspen Ice Garden**, 970-920-5141
- **Aspen Recreation Center**, 970-544-4100
- **Hyatt Grand Aspen**, 970-429-9100

LIVE STAND-UP COMEDY

Add a night of laughter to your winter agenda courtesy of Comedy Mercenary Productions. Since 2006, a local troupe of dedicated stand-up comics has been entertaining locals and visitors alike with their unique brand of Rocky Mountain humor. Each month this winter they plan to bring their act to the rooftop bar at the Mountain Chalet in Aspen for a lighthearted look inside life at altitude - with attitude. Besides regularly scheduled shows, Comedy Mercenary can bring their comics to your group for a private presentation tailored to your group's tastes and sensibilities. From two comics to ten, 30 minutes to 90, let the local laugh-masters create a customized and unforgettable night of lighthearted fun to help send your group home with a grin. Contact Mark Thomas at 970-618-6897 or Gail Mason at 970-319-8387.

PARAGLIDING

Enjoy tandem flights from Sam's Knob at Snowmass (ski/snowboard launch) and from the top of Aspen Mountain (foot launch in morning) with one of Aspen Paragliding's USHGA certified tandem pilots. No experience necessary. For ages 6 to 85 years. Flights are weather dependent so schedule your flight early in your vacation. 970-925-7625, www.aspenexpeditions.com

POWDER TOURS

Love powder? Luxury snowcats take you to prime untracked stashes on the backside of Aspen Mountain. Experienced guides lead you to pristine areas. Fresh tracks guaranteed. Gourmet lunch included. 800-525-6200 x3720, www.aspensnowmass.com

SNOWMOBILING

- Enjoy a tour of the world famous Maroon Bells with **T-Lazy-7 Ranch** in Aspen, 970-925-4614.
- Explore Kobey Park with **Western Adventures, Inc.** in Woody Creek, one of Colorado's most scenic areas, 970-923-3337.
- Discover Larkspur Mountain with **Blazing Adventures** in Snowmass Village, 970-923-4544.

STORYTELLING BY THE CAMPFIRE IN SNOWMASS

Enjoy roasted marshmallows, hot chocolate and tales of the Old West. FREE for all ages. Call for scheduling. 800-769-6277, www.snowmassvillage.com

SUNDECK NIGHTTIME DINNERS

Enjoy a nighttime ride in the Silver Queen Gondola to the top of Aspen Mountain for an evening of dining, drink specials and live music at the Sundeck. For information, call 970-429-6970.