



5 DAYS OF CRAFT BEVERAGE EXPLORATION IN NORTHERN COLORADO

DAY 1 – FORT COLLINS

Fort Collins is the largest producer of beer in Colorado and the state is ranked first in the country in volume produced by breweries (kind of ironic for a town that was "dry" until 1969). Each brewery has its own distinctive style, from one of the world's largest operations to a leader in eco-friendly and sustainable business practices. In recent years, the craft beverage creation in Fort Collins has expanded to include a selection of local distilleries. To get a taste of award-winning lagers, pilsners and ales year-round, take our Foam on the Range Tour, see below for ideas and find more at www.VisitFtCollins.com.

Rent a bike from the Fort Collins Bike Library

The Fort Collins Bike Library is a community funded initiative that allows tourists and residents alike to check out bikes, free of charge, for one day. These bikes can be used for transportation, brewery tours, bike trails and anything else you need.

250 North Mason

Fort Collins, CO 80524

970-419-1050

www.fcbikelibrary.org

Breakfast at the Choice City Butcher

Great beer and homemade plates Choice City Butcher offers breakfast, dinners and lunches in a quaint and cozy setting. They also offer local beers on tap to enjoy during your meal.

104 West Olive Street

Fort Collins, CO 80524

(970) 490-2489

www.choicecitybutcher.com

Odell Brewing Co.

Family owned and operated since 1989; produces 40,000 barrels annually. Sample IPA, the 2007 Great American Beer Festival's American-style India Pale Ale Gold Medal winner and pick up some great gifts. All beers are available to sample six days a week!

800 E. Lincoln Avenue

Fort Collins, CO

970-498-9070

www.odellbrewing.com

Food truck Lunch at Odell Brewing Co.

Here in Fort Collins, Food trucks and Breweries go together like white on rice. Stake a claim at one of the tables in Odell's beautiful backyard and enjoy food from the food truck of the day and a cold brew.

New Belgium Brewery Tour (Make reservation in advance)

New Belgium Brewing Company, makers of Fat Amber Ale and other Belgian-inspired beers, began operations in a tiny Fort Collins basement in 1991. Today, the third largest craft brewer in the U.S., New Belgium produces seven year-round beers.

500 Linden Street

Fort Collins, CO 80524

(970) 221-0524

www.newbelgium.com

Funkwerks

Funkwerks brewery is dedicated to creating innovative beers with character in the Saison style. Each beer is crafted from organic ingredients. Explore classics and experimental beers in the taproom.

1900 E. Lincoln Ave, Unit B

Fort Collins, CO

(970) 482-3862

www.funkwerks.com

Feisty Spirits

As Fort Collins' first distillery and home to exceptional hand crafted whiskey and other spirits, this is the perfect place to get a taste for Colorado made spirits. Take a tour of the distillery and enjoy a taster tray of whiskeys in this inviting atmosphere.

1708 E Lincoln Ave #1

Fort Collins, CO 80524

(720) 570-8686

www.feistyspirits.com

Dinner at Gravity 1020

Gravity 1020 is Northern Colorado's premier restaurant inside a full production brewery, Fort Collins Brewery, which provides five

Full-time and five seasonal brews; a place for beer and food aficionados alike.

1020 E Lincoln Ave

Fort Collins, CO

(970) 682-2260

www.gravity1020.com

Explore Old Town Fort Collins

The inspiration for Disneyland's Main Street USA. Enjoy the ambiance of one of 'America's Best Downtowns and home to many Fort Collins local shops, restaurants, art and music.

Late-night drinks at the Copper Muse Distillery

Their mission is to build upon Fort Collins' excellent craft brewing heritage and apply these standards of quality to their distilling works. They produce premium, hand-crafted spirits that include vodka,

gin, rum, whiskey and bourbon that will push your taste experience beyond mainstream, corporate producers. Also enjoy great bites and a great environment in their comfy, lively tasting room
244 N. College Ave.
Fort Collins, CO 80524
970-999-6016
www.coppermuse.com

DAY 2- FORT COLLINS

Breakfast at the Silver Grill Café

The Silver Grill is the oldest restaurant in Northern Colorado, serving legendary breakfast and lunch dishes daily. Wooden floors, huge windows looking out into Old Town, and famous cinnamon rolls give this charming restaurant a special place in the heart of Fort Collins.
218 Walnut Street
Fort Collins, CO
(970) 484-4656
www.silvergrill.com

Hike Arthur's Rock trail in Lory State Park

See beautiful views of Horsetooth Reservoir and of the City of Fort Collins.
www.parks.state.co.us/Parks/Lory/Trails/Pages/LoryTrails.aspx

OR

Hike Grey Rock in the Poudre Canyon

Take this 3.1 mile hike to the stop of Grey Rock, an iconic destination in the Poudre Canyon. You will get views of the surrounding Rocky Mountains and Poudre Canyon.
[http://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/arp/recreation/hiking/recarea/?recid=367777&actid=50](http://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/arp/recreation/hiking/recarea/?recid=36777&actid=50)

Lunch at Coopersmith's Pub and Brewery

In the heart of Old Town, this brewery always has something tasty on tap including Not Brown Ale, Poudre Pale and Horsetooth Stout. Pair one of their tasty beers with their mouthwatering good food.
5 Old Town Square
Fort Collins, CO
(970) 498-0483
www.Coopersmithspub.com

Equinox Brewery

Equinox offers mouthwatering craft beer in a quaint and inviting tasting room. Enjoy a pint or sample tray in the Tap House or Beer Garden.
133 Remington Street
Fort Collins, CO 80524
(970) 484-1368
www.equinoxbrewing.com

Compass Cider

Fort Collins not only specializes in the crafting of great tasting beers but hard cider as well. Check out Compass Cider in Old Town, Fort Collins and enjoy premium American and European style hard ciders.

216 N. College Ave.
Fort Collins, CO 80524
(970) 372-1350
www.compasscider.com

Dinner at the Mainline

Set against the unique landscape of Old Town, Chef Jeremy Gable invites you to partake in the innovative menu and exceptional service that has been a trademark of the Breckenridge-Wynkoop brand since its inception. The Mainline features contemporary American cuisine with a southern influence and locally grown ingredients while featuring the rich history and culture of Fort Collins, CO.
125 South College Ave
Fort Collins, CO
(970) 449-5601
www.mainlinefoco.com

Late-night beer at Pateros Creek Brewing Co.

Pateros Creek is a small, family owned brewery that was started in 2011. They focus on local history and local ideals to bring forth some new styles that speak to the community. Try one of their 5 standard beers or try one of their constantly rotating seasonals.
242 N College Ave
Fort Collins, CO
(970) 484-7222
www.pateroscreekbrewing.com

DAY 3 – LOVELAND

Loveland is an emerging craft beverage hot spot with six new breweries since 2010, as well as local distilleries and wineries. Visitors are invited to experience beer, wine and spirits you love by stopping into a tasting room or visiting one of our local pubs to enjoy a nice selection of delicious and award-winning beverages from Loveland and beyond. Get more details at www.VisitLovelandCO.com.

Best of Loveland Brewery Tour: *Plan to stay: 4 hours*

Taste the best of Loveland craft beer with the benefits of a designated driver as [NoCo Short Bus Tours](#) takes you to sample up to 12 different beers from three of the following breweries during each trip: [Grimm Brothers Brewhouse](#), [Verboten Brewing](#), [Crow Hop Brewing](#), [Loveland Aleworks](#), [Big Beaver Brewing](#) and Buckhorn Brewing. In addition to samples, you can meet the brewers, get some behind-the-scenes tours and connect with fellow beer lovers.

Self-Guided Brewery Tours: *Plan to stay 2-4 hours*

Loveland is an emerging craft brewery hot spot with six new breweries since 2010, many which have been featured in national publications such as USA Today, Sunset Magazine, DRAFT Magazine and more. Award-winning [Grimm Brothers Brewhouse](#) and [Verboten Brewing](#), located in the heart of Loveland; [Big Beaver Brewing](#) on the west side and [Loveland Aleworks](#) and [Crow Hop Brewing](#) downtown all offer exceptional brews, unique atmospheres and fun events. Visitors are invited to

experience brews you love by stopping into a tasting room or visiting one of our local pubs to experience a nice selection of delicious and award-winning brews from Loveland and beyond.

Sample and tour Loveland distilleries: *Plan to stay: 2 hours*

Northern Colorado may be known as the ‘Napa of Beer,’ but Loveland is emerging as a distillery destination. Loveland is home to award-winning [Dancing Pines Distillery](#), maker of an amazing Chai liquor; proud maker of Trinity Absinthe Superieure, [Overland Distillery](#); and [Spring44](#), which uses some of the rarest water on earth to make its pristine spirits including its award-winning Honey Vodka. All three are popular tour and tasting destinations. In fact, Big Head Todd and the Monsters came to visit and taste Spring44 Distilling in 2013.

DAY 4 – ESTES PARK

Estes Park’s growing craft beverage offerings are gaining momentum. Two new tasting options came online in 2014 and another expanded their space. With changes in local regulations, Estes Park is expected to have more new breweries and distilleries coming in 2015, so stay tuned to www.VisitEstesPark.com for what’s next in this tasty world.

Tastings in Estes Park’s downtown village

Spend your morning exploring the downtown village shops, stopping to take in some craft beverage tastings. The Loveland-based [Dancing Pines Distillery](#) recently opened their Estes Park tasting room on Park Drive (right behind Bond Park). Stop by to try some of their signature liquors and enjoy a unique cocktail on the patio. Then, between stops at our signature sweet shops, venture up to [Snowy Peaks Winery](#) where you can sample their own locally-made wines, as well as wines from across Colorado. Bring the kiddos, too, for some grape juice tasting in the kid area. Snowy Peaks expanded their tasting room in 2014 and also offers local and perfectly paired snacks.

Have a perfectly paired lunch

Enjoy your lunch with a perfectly paired Colorado craft beer or whiskey. The experts at [Poppy’s Pizza and Grill](#) have developed a robust menu of craft beers and fresh food – hand-paired by a certified Cicerone (trained beer taster). At the Stanley Hotel’s [Cascades Restaurant and Whiskey Bar](#), you can couple your lunch with a personally picked whiskey from Colorado or around the world. Find additional lunch options at VisitEstesPark.com/Restaurants.

Estes Park Brewery’s famous free tastings

Venture just southwest of downtown to the Estes Park Brewery. One of Colorado’s original micro-breweries, the [Estes Park Brewery](#) offers free tastings in the downstairs tasting room of their craft beers. The selection features beers named for local celebrities, like Sampson Stout, and landmarks, like the Longs Peak Raspberry Wheat. Don’t forget to grab a six pack of your favorites to take back to your lodge.

Fall in love with Estes Park’s autumn beer events

Autumn is such a special time of year in Estes Park – why not celebrate with some outdoor beer tasting events? September brings the Longs Peak Scottish Irish Highlands Festival, featuring brews of the Celtic kind, and Autumn Gold, offering beers, bands and brats. In October, downtown’s Bond Park is home to Pumpkins & Pilsners – a family friendly fall event. On November 1st, revel in all things beer and brewing at the Fall Back Beer Festival, an interactive, educational beer tasting event. Save the

date for Estes Park Winter Festival in January, featuring tastings from Colorado distilleries, wineries and breweries! Find event dates and details at VisitEstesPark.com/Events.

Savor dinner with a lake view and a hand-crafted brew

For your evening meal, head south of town to Marys Lake Lodge and their newly reinvented [Tavern & Big Beaver Brewery](#). Overlooking the beautiful Marys Lake, the Tavern offers a delicious selection of unique plates and loved classics. Alongside your meal, enjoy one of Loveland-based Big Beaver Brewery's popular brews and seasonal specials.

Sip the night away in a classic mountain motel or comfortable suite

Now that you've tasted and purchased your favorite Estes Park craft beverage, bring it back to your home-away-from-home to enjoy together. Whether you are taking in the view from your motel deck or patio, or enjoying the comfort of a large suite, the craft beverage enjoyment goes on into the night. Locate your perfect respite at VisitEstesPark.com/Lodging.

DAY 5 – BOULDER

Colorado may be famous for its microbrews, but did you know we also produce great wines and spirits? Boulder is home to a number of wineries, tasting rooms, breweries and distilleries, many offer tours and tastings. Find additional recommendations and information at www.BoulderColoradoUSA.com.

Breakfast: Wander to the Pearl Street Mall and grab coffee and a pastry at The Unseen Bean, 2052 Broadway St

- This roaster has dubbed his shop “the unseen bean” for a very literal reason – he is blind and roasts purely on smell! Most roasters rely on a combination of color and smell but this business man has made quite a place for himself in our local coffee scene with his talent.

Spend the morning exploring Celestial Seasonings Tea, 4600 Sleepytime Drive, 303.581.1202

- This major tea manufacturer's 45-minute tour includes tastes of any of their teas, plus a visit to the unforgettable mint room and much more.
- Time for a beer? Visit some of the breweries nearby!
 - Asher Brewing Co. 4699 Nautilus Ct Ste 104 303.530.1381
 - Vindication Brewing Co. 6880 Winchester Cir. Unit F 303.530.0642
 - New Planet Brewery 6560 Odell Pl. Unit D 303.499.4978
 - Finkle & Garf Brewing Company 5455 Spine Rd Unit A 303.720.6042

Fuel up at one of the brewpubs downtown to prepare for tasty afternoon

- Mountain Sun Pub & Brewery 1535 Pearl St 303.546.0886
- Walnut Brewery 1123 Walnut St 303.447.1345
- West Flanders Brewing Company 1125 Pearl St 303.447.2739
- Shine Brewing Company 2027 13th St 303.449.0120

Sign up for one of Boulder's craft beverage tours of our 20 breweries in town

- Pedal Your Way to Boulder's Breweries and Bars on MyHandleBar, 720.431.0119
- Sign up for a guided walking or driving tour of some of Boulder's best with Boulder Brew Tours, 303.522.3236

More of the DIY type?

- Get active on some of Boulders 159 miles of dedicated bikeways and cycle east along the Boulder Creek path to even more brews, take your pick!
 - Fate Brewing Company 1600 38th St 303.449.3283
 - J Wells Brewery 2516 49th St #5 303.396.0384
 - Bru Handbuilt Ales & Eats 5290 Arapahoe Ave 720.638.5193
 - Avery Brewing Co. 5763 Arapahoe Ave Unit E 303.440.4324
 - Upslope Brewing Co. 1898 St Flatiron Ct 303.449.2911
- Sample Civilization's First Libation at Redstone Meadery, 4700 Pearl St. #2
- Mix Your Own Cocktail at Salt, 1047 Pearl St.
- Taste 303 Vodka's 106-Year-Old Family Recipe, 2500 47th St. Unit 10
- Go Your Own Way and lead your own tour at Boulder Creek Winery, 6440 Odell Pl

Return west to one of the brewpubs in central Boulder for the perfect end to your active day

- Boulder Beer (full restaurant) 2990 Wilderness Pl 303.444.5200
- Twisted Pine (full restaurant) 3201 Walnut St 303.786.9270
- Sanitas Brewing (food truck) 3550 Frontier Ave 303.442.4130