

SUMMER ITINERARY

48-Hours of Summer Fun and Adventure in Silverthorne

Day 1

Tip: Arrive early to beat the mountain traffic.

Breakfast: Fuel up at the [Blue Moon Bakery](#) where the French toast is made of thick slices of homemade egg-battered bread and can be ordered gluten-free. Pick up a baked good to fuel your day or lunch to go for a picnic in the park.

Morning Hike: Park at the top of Willowbrook Road for the **Willow Creek Highlands Trail** trailhead. Follow the trail across Summit County Open Space to the White River National Forest and, eventually, the Eagles Nest Wilderness. After about one mile through lodgepole pine forests, the trail leads to a scenic waterfall.

Lunch: Get your “urban” fix with a picnic lunch in downtown **Rainbow Park**, a seven-acre park located on Rainbow Drive. Test gravity in the park’s renowned skateboard park, let the kids loose on the playground, and ditch your shoes for a round of beach volleyball on one of the two sand courts. Still have energy to burn? Work it out on the tennis and basketball courts.

Early Afternoon: From Rainbow Park, take a bike ride (bring your own or rent bikes at [Mountain Sports Outlet](#)) down the stunningly scenic **Blue River Trail**, a 3.5-mile paved path that delivers an inimitable nature walk from town to nearby Dillon Reservoir.

Afternoon Break: Admire the local art or browse the used books as you replenish yourself with a coffee or smoothie from [Red Buffalo Coffee](#), a local’s favorite.

Late Afternoon: Cool off in the nearby aquatics area at the popular [Silverthorne Recreation Center](#). Featuring a 25-yard lap pool, a 10-foot deep pool, a kiddie pool with imaginative slides and toys, and an indoor hot tub and sauna, the center can soothe the muscles or invigorate them with an enthusiastic workout.

Dinner: Step back in time at the historic [Mint](#), in business since 1862, where you’re the chef. Select your steak and grill it to perfection. Then dress it up with any number of sides and salads.

Evening: Rest your body and stimulate your senses with a show at the [Lake Dillon Theatre Company](#).

Day 2

Breakfast: The portions come big and the food is homemade at the bustling [Sunshine Café](#), where the popular Blue River Special, grilled ham, onions, bell peppers and tomatoes, scrambled eggs and a heaping serving of hash browns, hits the spot.

Morning Adventure: Book a float on the Blue River with [KODI Rafting](#), one of the best outfitters in the state. With six Colorado rivers to choose from, a solid safety record, and impeccable customer service, the pros at KODI will help you select the best choice.

Lunch: Savor Brown Dog Ale and a Snowbird (grilled chicken served on house-made sourdough) at [Bakers’ Brewery](#) (yes, it’s a bakery and a brewery).

In the Bag: With savings between 30 to 70 percent off retail, the [Outlets at Silverthorne](#) are a shopper’s dream. Whether your tastes tend toward high fashion or casual, these stores deliver.

Organized into three separate, easily navigable villages, the Outlets are a must-visit on every itinerary.

Dinner: Featuring views and al fresco dining along the Blue River, [Sauce on the Blue](#) offers signature pasta dishes like penne Gorgonzola and rigatoni and sausage, New York style pizza and an extensive wine list. Opened in July 2016, this new restaurant also showcases a green-built interior that's attained Green Globe certification with reclaimed and reused material.

Additional Summer Activities

- Fishing on the Blue with Cutthroat Anglers
- Hike up Angler Mountain Ranch
- SUPing at North Pond Park
- Playing at Rainbow Park
- Walking the Blue River
- Boating at Green Mountain Reservoir