

Denver List
March 2024

Why Denver Matters

On the scale of expectations, Denver should fail. The gold rush is over and a lot of the former business and industry anchors have left town. The city lost its competitive advantage – but it came back. It was one thing – and it became another. Denver discovered that active, edgy and cool people love cities – and cities love them back. A quirky, fun and energetic vibe abounds in this city. It is not perfect and knows it. The former mayor, John Hickenlooper (who went on to become governor), rides a scooter and spearheaded urban redevelopment. Brewpubs are everywhere, and the great outdoors is top of mind. Successes include loft living, LoDo, Union Station, mass transit/light rail, the new economy, arts and media, weather and the airport. The rail link between the airport and Union Station is wonderful. The RiNo district is a hotbed for tech and creative talent. This city “gets it” and has great neighborhoods (like LoDo and RiNo) and also has one of the most significant urban art scenes (visual and performing) in the country. And the weather! Such a walkable city with mostly days of sunshine and clean mountain air.

Hotels

Brown Palace Hotel & Spa
321 17th Street, at Tremont Street
303.297.3111
www.brownpalace.com

The Crawford Hotel, Denver Union Station
1701 Wynkoop Street
720.460.3700
www.thecrawfordhotel.com

The Curtis
1405 Curtis Street
303.571.0300
www.thecurtis.com

Hotel Monaco
1717 Champa Street, at 17th Street
303.296.1717
www.monacodenver.com

Hotel Teatro [CTU favorite]
1100 14th Street, across from the Denver Center for the Performing Arts
888.727.1200
www.hotelteatro.com

Limelight Hotel Denver
1600 Wewatta Street
303.323.0024
www.limelighthotels.com/denver

Hotels (continued)

The Maven Hotel at Dairy Block
1850 Wazee Street
720.460.2727
www.themavenhotel.com

Moxy Hotel – Cherry Creek
240 Josephine Street
303.463.6699
www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/denox

Oxford Hotel
1600 17th Street, at Wazee Street
303.628.5400
www.theoxfordhotel.com

Renaissance Denver Downtown
918 17th Street
303.867.8100
www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/dendr

Restaurants

A5 Steakhouse
1600 15th Street
303.623.0534
www.a5denver.com

Bar M at Thompson Hotel [drinks]
1616 Market Street
303.572.1321
www.hyatt.com/thompson-hotels/denth-thompson-denver/dining

Buckhorn Exchange
1000 Osage Street
303.534.9505
www.buckhorn.com

The Corner Office Restaurant + Martini Bar [drinks]
1401 Curtis Street
303.825.6500
www.thecorerofficedenver.com

EDGE Bar at Four Seasons Hotel [drinks]
1111 14th Street
303.389.3050
www.edgerestaurantdenver.com

Restaurants (continued)

Elway's Downtown at the Ritz Carlton Hotel
1881 Curtis Street
303.312.3107
www.elways.com

Guard and Grace [best steakhouse]
1801 California Street
303.293.8500
www.guardandgrace.com

Jax Fish House
1539 17th Street
303.292.5767
www.jaxfishhouse.com

Kachina Cantina
1890 Wazee Street
720.460.2728
www.kachinadenver.com

Los Chingones Mexican – RiNo
2463 Larimer Street
303.295.0686
www.loschingonesmexican.com

Mercantile Dining & Provision [lunch]
1701 Wynkoop Street
720.460.3733
www.mercantiledenver.com

Panzano Restaurant
909 17th Street
303.296.3525
www.panzano-denver.com

Poka Lola Social Club at The Maven Hotel [drinks]
1850 Wazee Street
720.460.2725
www.pokaloladenver.com

Rioja
1433 Larimer Street
303.820.2282
www.riojadenver.com

Sam's No. 3 [breakfast]
1500 Curtis Street
303.534.1927
www.samsno3.com

Restaurants (continued)

Ship Tavern at Brown Palace Hotel [drinks]

321 17th Street, at Tremount Street

303.297.3111

www.brownpalace.com/shiptavern

Steuben's [lunch]

523 East 17th Avenue

303. 830.1001

www.steubens.com

Stoic & Genuine at Union Station

1701 Wynkoop Street

303.640.3474

www.stoicandgenuine.com

Tamayo Restaurant

1400 Larimer Street

720.946.1433

www.eattamayo.com

Tavernetta

1889 16th Street

720.605.1889

www.tavernettadenver.com

Terminal Bar at Union Station [drinks]

1701 Wynkoop Street

720.460.3701

www.terminalbardenver.com

The Original [breakfast]

1600 20th Street

720.769.1414

www.theogdenver.com

Thirsty Lion

1605 Wynkoop Street

303.623.0316

www.thirstyliongastropub.com

Tom's Watch Sports Bar

1601 19th Street, Unit 101

303.872.7557

www.tomswatchbar.com/location/Denver

Restaurants (continued)

Urban Farmer at Oxford Hotel
1659 Wazee Street
303.262.6070
www.urbanfarmerdenver.com

Water Grill
1691 Market Street
303.727.5711
www.watergrill.com/denver

Wynkoop Brewing Company [drinks]
1634 18th Street
303.297.2700
www.wynkoop.com

Food Halls

Milk Market at Dairy Block
1800 Wazee Street, #100
303.792.8242
www.denvermilkmarket.com

The Denver Central Market
2669 Larimer Street
www.denvercentralmarket.com

The Source
3350 Brighton Boulevard
720.443.1135
www.thesourcehotel.com

Arts/Public Spaces

Union Station
Dairy Block and The Alley
Denver Art Museum
Denver Center for the Performing Arts
Denver Public Library
Museum of Contemporary Art
Clyfford Still Museum
Kirkland Museum
Big Blue Bear at Denver Convention Center
Skyline Park
Civic Center Park and State Capital
Commons Park
Confluence Park
Cherry Creek Trail
South Platte River Trails
Ride the Light Rail System

Shopping/Walking

16th Street Pedestrian Mall

Larimer Square

LoDo

Cherry Creek Shopping Center

Cherry Creek North

REI Flagship Store 17th Street between Broadway and City Park (called “Uptown”)

Union Station (lots of great restaurants)

Day Trip to Boulder

Hotel Boulderado

St. Julien Hotel

Boulder County Farmers Market, 13th Street adjacent to Central Park

Boulder Book Store Pearl Street – main street downtown; pedestrians only; lined with bookstores, art galleries, coffeehouses, boutiques and restaurant