



Denver Restaurant Week

Back for our 20th Anniversary! It's the perfect chance to try out new spots where restaurants offer special menus over the 10-day, two-weekend format. You'll find every type of cuisine such as Colorado grass-fed beef and lamb, international fusions, fresh seafood that's flown in daily, and innovative vegetarian options, spiced up with local ingredients like the famous green chile.

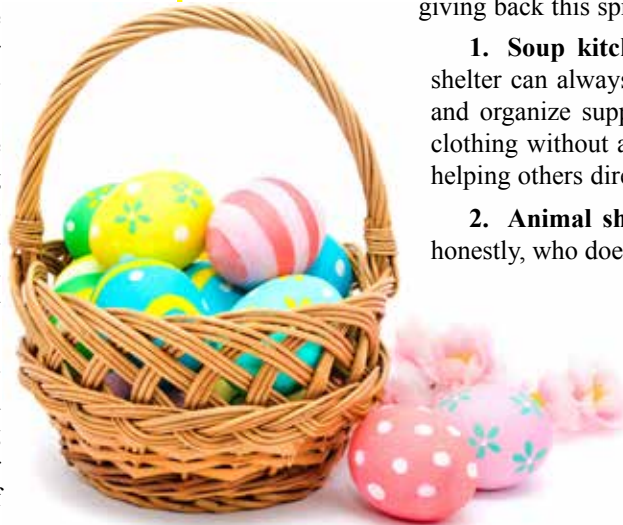
Price Points: There are four price points this year (with both to-go and in-person options): \$25, \$35, \$45 and \$55 for multi-course meals. The tiered pricing structure allows restaurants to provide great deals for diners and a robust representation of Denver's increasingly renowned culinary offerings.

VISIT DENVER's program was originally created to showcase the city's dining scene to local residents over a traditionally slow time of year for the restaurant industry. In its inaugural year, the program had 83 participating restaurants. In 2023, more than 200 restaurants signed up.

Tables fill up fast during Denver Restaurant Week. Diners are encouraged to make a reservation, try some earlier or later seatings or even Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday options. It's also important to remember to cancel any reservations you don't plan on using so other diners can use it. The delicious menus these restaurants have prepared are also great deals. Be sure to tip your servers generously.

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5 Ways To Give Back During Spring Break

Spring break is a good time to vacation or binge-watch Netflix, but it's also a great time to give back to your community. Here are just a few ways you can volunteer your time during spring break.

For many students, spring break is about relaxing, partying, or catching up with friends. For others, it's a good time to help out their communities. If you are passionate about helping others but aren't quite sure where to find volunteer opportunities, start locally. Here are just a few places where you can spend time giving back this spring break.

1. Soup kitchen/homeless shelter. Your local homeless shelter can always use people to help prep meals, serve food, and organize supplies. Although you could donate money or clothing without actually going to a shelter, the experience of helping others directly can be very positive and humbling.

2. Animal shelter. If you love puppies and kittens (and honestly, who doesn't?), then you should call your local animal shelter. Many locations ask volunteers to walk the dogs for exercise, help groom the pets to prepare them for adoption, and provide customer service to visitors. Some locations will even allow volunteers to play with the animals to teach them how to socialize well.

3. Hospital. If you are passionate about helping people and have an interest in the medical field, then a hospital would be a great opportunity for you. This is also a good choice for volunteering because there are so many things you can do. If you like working with kids, there is the pediatric unit; if you like a fast-paced environment, then you might enjoy the ER. Contact your local hospital to inquire about volunteer opportunities that match your skills and interests.

4. Coaching. If you're a sports buff who also likes to work with kids, then you could volunteer to help with a team. No matter the sport, children's teams are always in need of coaches or people to help at practices. It's often hard for parents to volunteer for their children's teams due to work and other responsibilities. So both the kids and the parents would appreciate your help. Local YMCA or Boys and Girls Club are good places to investigate.

5. Tutoring. While you're on spring break, there's a good chance the children in your town are on break too. With a whole week off from school, it's easy for them to forget what they just learned (the same goes for college students!). If you happen to be skilled in a certain subject, then you should consider tutoring. You could help children or fellow college students understand any tricky subjects that they're struggling with. Contact the career services office or a local community center to ask about tutoring opportunities. You could also offer to help kids with homework or read to a class if school is in session that week.

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Extra option: volunteering abroad. If you're feeling adventurous and have money saved up, then you should consider volunteering abroad! There are many volunteer opportunities available around the world, such as teaching English, helping with environmental projects, and providing care to children. Some common places to volunteer abroad are Costa Rica, Kenya, India, and Italy. Of course, you can find volunteer opportunities anywhere, including around the United States through Alternative Spring Break. Programs can be found online or through your college. The cost could be included in the price of your tuition, or special scholarships may be available.

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Puppy Day

Observed each year on March 23rd, National Puppy Day celebrates the unconditional love and affection puppies bring to our lives. Their cuddles and wiggles make us smile and without a doubt, there are squeals of delight when there are puppies around!

The day also brings awareness to the need for care of and homes for orphaned pups as well as to educate people about the horrors of puppy mills across the country. Puppies are a big responsibility. Be sure to consider everything involved and adopt from a shelter. The puppies there need love and a home just as much as any other and they grow into loyal pets, too!

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The deadline for news articles is the 15th of the month before the next month's issue, except for the Jan. issue which is Dec. 10th. Please email news articles to the editor at klarson@pcms.net. All "Letters to the Editor" must be signed and include a daytime phone number in case there are any questions. Letters may be printed without the author's name if requested.

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Teen Services

Hire a teen from our neighborhood to help out with household chores. Teens are available for Babysitting, Pet and House Sitting, Lawn Care and Snow Removal.

To add your teen, email **Newsletter Connections** at info@newsletterconnections.com and include the following: the **neighborhood you live in**, your age, parent email and the categories you would like included. Categories: **(B)** Babysitting; **(*)** Red Cross Cert for CPR; **(L)** Lawn care; **(S)** Snow removal; **(P)** Pet & House sitting. No recommendation or endorsement of any of the names on this list is implied or stated by the HOA board or Newsletter Connections.

History Adventures Day Camp

The Littleton Museum summer programs have been a tradition for over 40 years. History Adventures help our participating Explorers understand the experiences of people from the past who have called Colorado home through hands-on activities and instruction from expert historical interpreters.

These day-long activities are open to 12 children per session and require prior registration to attend. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis.

All sessions are from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. and cost \$50 per day per child. Registration opens to Friends members on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 9 a.m. Registration opens to all on Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 9 a.m. A benefit of membership in the Friends of the Littleton Library and Museum group is access to the early registration period.

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January Data Year-to-Date | 2024 to 2020

	YTD 2024	YTD 2023	YTD 2022	YTD 2021	YTD 2020	'24 vs '23	'24 vs '22	'24 vs '21	'24 vs '20
Residential (Detached + Attached)									
Active Listings at Month's End	4,871	4,120	1,184	2,316	4,941	18.23%	311.40%	110.32%	-1.42%
New Listings	3,280	2,859	3,485	4,231	4,857	14.73%	-5.88%	-22.48%	-32.47%
Closed	2,051	2,188	3,072	3,231	3,363	-6.26%	-33.24%	-36.52%	-39.01%
Close Price - Average	\$ 660,127	\$ 626,110	\$ 609,056	\$ 547,691	\$ 475,701	5.43%	8.39%	20.53%	38.77%
Close Price - Median	\$ 565,000	\$ 539,250	\$ 542,500	\$ 455,000	\$ 420,000	4.78%	4.15%	24.18%	34.52%
Sales Volume	\$ 1,353,920,829	\$ 1,369,928,756	\$ 1,871,019,414	\$ 1,769,589,104	\$ 1,599,783,013	-1.17%	-27.64%	-23.49%	-15.37%
Days in MLS - Average	49	46	20	27	45	6.52%	145.00%	81.48%	8.89%
Days in MLS - Median	36	34	5	6	26	5.88%	620.00%	500.00%	38.46%
Close-Price-to-List-Price Ratio	98.42%	98.17%	102.13%	100.59%	98.80%	0.25%	-3.63%	-2.16%	-0.38%
Detached									
Active Listings at Month's End	3,336	2,893	788	1,263	3,297	15.31%	323.35%	164.13%	1.18%
New Listings	2,301	1,951	2,376	2,780	3,251	17.94%	-3.16%	-17.23%	-29.22%
Closed	1,478	1,524	2,038	2,117	2,311	-3.02%	-27.48%	-30.18%	-36.05%
Close Price - Average	\$ 734,836	\$ 703,334	\$ 688,895	\$ 626,942	\$ 530,099	4.48%	6.67%	17.21%	38.62%
Close Price - Median	\$ 625,000	\$ 599,900	\$ 599,050	\$ 509,900	\$ 459,900	4.18%	4.33%	22.57%	35.90%
Sales Volume	\$ 1,086,087,642	\$ 1,071,881,673	\$ 1,403,967,248	\$ 1,327,235,586	\$ 1,225,059,771	1.33%	-22.64%	-18.17%	-11.34%
Days in MLS - Average	50	49	19	22	45	2.04%	163.16%	127.27%	11.11%
Days in MLS - Median	37	37	5	5	24	0.00%	640.00%	640.00%	54.17%
Close-Price-to-List-Price Ratio	98.34%	98.01%	102.19%	101.04%	98.80%	0.34%	-3.77%	-2.67%	-0.47%
Attached									
Active Listings at Month's End	1,535	1,227	396	1,053	1,644	25.10%	287.63%	45.77%	-6.63%
New Listings	979	908	1,109	1,451	1,606	7.82%	-11.72%	-32.53%	-39.04%
Closed	573	664	1,034	1,114	1,052	-13.70%	-44.58%	-48.56%	-45.53%
Close Price - Average	\$ 467,423	\$ 448,866	\$ 451,695	\$ 397,086	\$ 356,201	4.13%	3.48%	17.71%	31.22%
Close Price - Median	\$ 395,000	\$ 395,500	\$ 400,000	\$ 335,500	\$ 305,000	-0.13%	-1.25%	17.73%	29.51%
Sales Volume	\$ 267,833,187	\$ 298,047,083	\$ 467,052,166	\$ 442,353,518	\$ 374,723,242	-10.14%	-42.65%	-39.45%	-28.53%
Days in MLS - Average	46	39	22	35	46	17.95%	109.09%	31.43%	0.00%
Days in MLS - Median	34	28	5	12	30	21.43%	580.00%	183.33%	13.33%
Close-Price-to-List-Price Ratio	98.64%	98.53%	102.00%	99.74%	98.81%	0.11%	-3.29%	-1.10%	-0.17%



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