



Welcome to colorful Colorado.
**VISITOR'S GUIDE TO THE
CITY OF FORT COLLINS
& NORTHERN COLORADO**



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THE “A” ON THE FOOTHILLS STANDS FOR AGGIES

Before 1957, Colorado State University was referred to as Colorado Agriculture and Mechanical College or Colorado A&M with athletic teams referred to as Aggies. The A has been on our foothills since 1924.

70 PERCENT OF COLORADO BEER

is produced in FoCo breweries (ironic since we were a dry town until 1969)

DISNEYLAND’S MAIN STREET, USA IS MODELED AFTER OLD TOWN

and designed by Fort Collins native Harper Goff

ENJOY 285+ MILES

of bike routes and trails

FORT COLLINS SITS 5,003 FT

above sea level

60,000 CANADIAN GEESE

winter in Fort Collins each year (watch your step)

PLATINUM LEVEL BIKE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

is a designation from the League of American Bicyclists and shared by only four other towns in the nation

CACHE LA POUFRE RIVER

runs through Fort Collins and is Colorado’s only nationally designated ‘Wild & Scenic’ river (The river got its unique name when French-Canadian trappers were forced to hide their gunpowder during a raging blizzard in the early 1800s)



FOOD THAT HITS THE SPOT

- CooperSmith’s Pub & Brewery
- Rio Grande Mexican Restaurant
- Austin’s American Grill
- La Creperie & French Bakery
- Ginger and Baker

- Rodizio Grill Brazilian Steakhouse
- Penrose Taphouse & Eatery
- Union Bar and Soda Fountain
- Blue Agave Grill
- Jaws Sushi
- *Avogadro’s Number
- *Tasty Harmony
- *vegetarian + vegan

CHEERS AND BE MERRY

- Odell Brewing Company
- The Mayor of Old Town
- The Gilded Goat

- Elliot’s Martini Bar
- New Belgium Brewing Company
- Coppermuse Distillery
- *Pinball Jones (arcade bar)
- *The Social (speakeasy)
- Crooked Stave
- Scrumphy’s Hard Cider Bar
- The R Bar and Lounge

CAFFEINE LOVERS UNITE

- Mugs Coffee Lounge
- Starry Night Espresso Cafe
- Bindle Coffee

- *Fox Den (no waste cafe and roastery)
- Butterfly Cafe
- Everyday Joe’s
- Wolverine Farm Publick House

HIKE OUR FAVORITE SPOTS

- Dixon Reservoir
Easy, 2.1 miles
- Bobcat Ridge Valley Loop
Easy, 4.3 miles
- Horsetooth Mountain
Moderate, 6.5 miles
- Arthur’s Rock
Moderate, 4.2 miles
- Seaman Reservoir Trail
Moderate, 3 miles

Devil’s Backbone
Moderate, 6 miles

Grey Rock Trail
Hard, 8 miles

Gem Lake
Moderate, 3.2 miles

Bear, Nymph, Dream & Emerald Lake
Moderate to hard, 3.8 miles

7 PRINCIPLES

- Plan ahead and prepare
- Travel & camp on durable surfaces
- Dispose of waste properly
- Leave what you find
- Minimize campfire impacts
- Respect wildlife
- Be considerate of others



Visit AllTrails for additional hiking information

Questions about Fort Collins or need additional information as you plan your trip? Contact Matt!

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FOCO ADVENTURE & FUN

Have a few hours to spare? Check out our favorite local activities

Morning Fresh dairy farm tours (1.5hrs)

Includes petting baby cows and free milk and yogurt samples—then grab a bit or coffee on-site at Howling Cow Cafe!

Mishawaka Amphitheater

The restaurant’s outdoor patio sits right above the Cache la Poudre River

Local Concert Series

• **Lagoon Summer Concert Series**
Wednesdays 6:30-8:30pm at CSU
June 14 – July 26, 2023

• **Thursday Night Live**
Thursdays 7-9pm in Old Town Square
June 2 – Sept 15

• **Sounds of Summer**
Thursdays 6-8pm at Front Range Village
July – August

Fort Collins Food Truck Rally

Every Tuesday at City Park with live music from 5:30pm-dusk May – Sept

Holiday Twin Drive-In Theater

Situated at the base of the foothills. Offering four movies a night on two screens. Show-times starting at sunset

Beaver Meadows Resort Ranch

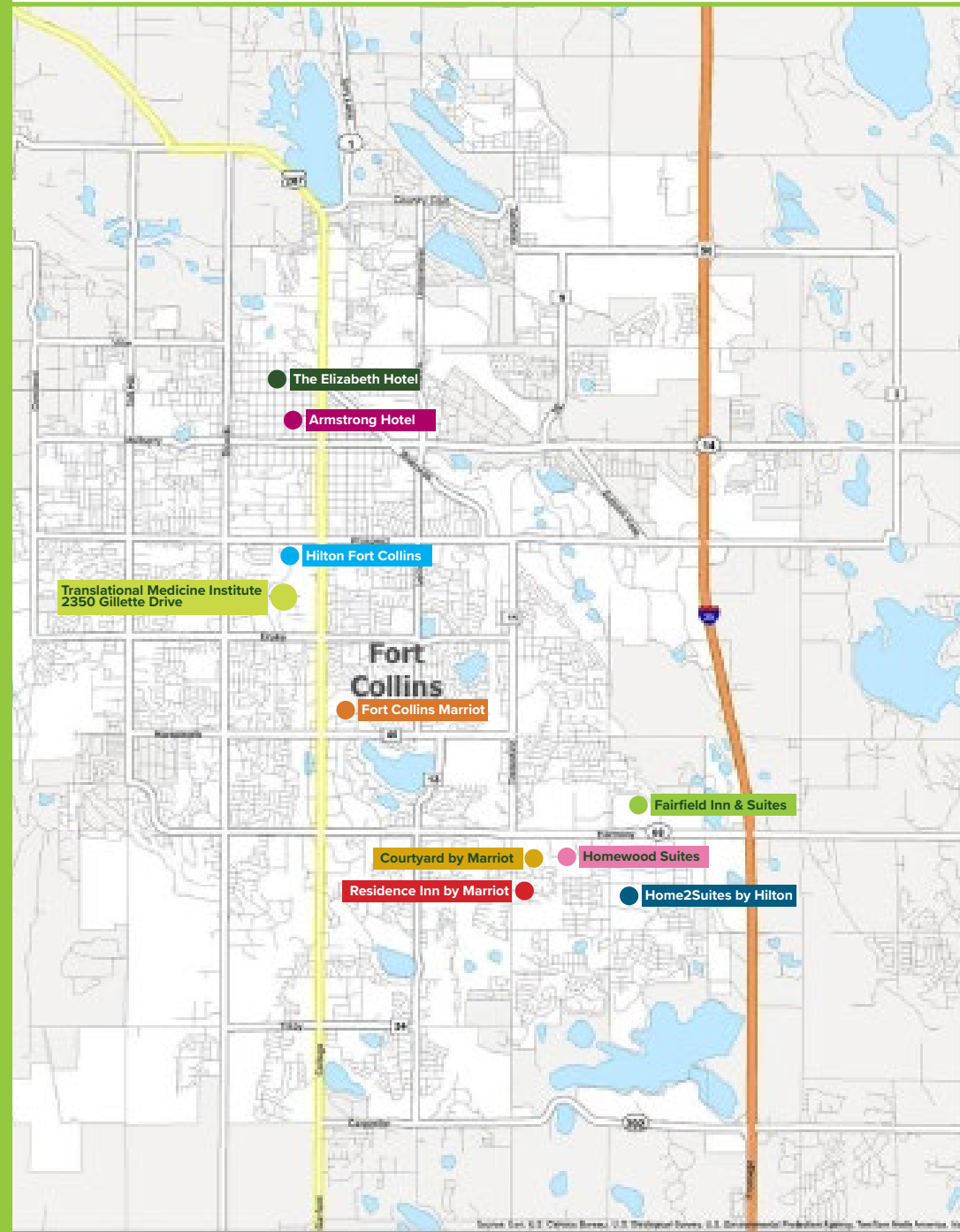
Campgrounds, disc golf, hikes, bird watching & nature photography + the Ranch House Restaurant & Pub

Haunted Pub and Ghost Tours

Visit FoCo’s notorious haunted sites in Old Town pubs and our underground passageways—all year round!

Fort Fun

Mini-golf, Go-Kart and an arcade. Need we say more?



The Elizabeth Hotel

3.2 miles from the TMI

The Armstrong Hotel

3.1 miles from the TMI

Hilton Fort Collins

1 mile from the TMI

Fort Collins Marriot

1.9 miles from the TMI

Home2 Suites by Hilton

4.3 miles from the TMI

Residence Inn by Marriot

3.7 miles from the TMI

Homewood Suites

3.8 miles from the TMI

Courtyard by Marriot

2.7 miles from the TMI

Fairfield Inn & Suites

6 miles from the TMI

The Elizabeth Hotel, Autograph Collection

111 Chestnut Street
3.2 miles from the TMI

The **Elizabeth Hotel** is an eclectic mix of bold details and traditional elements, our downtown Fort Collins hotel is home to 164 guest rooms, including three sophisticated signature suites. Featuring locally-loved dining, an energetic live music venue, and a chic rooftop lounge with mountain views, The Elizabeth Hotel embodies the very best of colorful Colorado.

Call: 970-490-2600

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Armstrong Hotel

259 South College Avenue
3.1 miles from the TMI

Experience Fort Collins' only independent hotel, and one that's dedicated to ensuring you have a personalized, memorable stay. The **Armstrong Hotel** is in the heart of Old Town. Ask for a complimentary bicycle to explore Old Town. From Ace Gillett's Lounge – their underground supper club, to Amara Massage – their on-site massage studio, get a taste of the best of Fort Collins while staying at the Armstrong Hotel.

Call: 970-484-3883

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Hilton Fort Collins
425 West Prospect
1 mile from the TMI

The **Hilton Fort Collins** is the closest hotel to the TMI. In fact, it's right down the street. The views of Horsetooth Rock and the foothills during the sunrise and sunset will make you feel instantly connected to Colorado. This hotel is two miles from Fort Collins' historic Old Town and downtown area, less than half a mile from CSU's main campus and Canvas Stadium, and a 20-minute drive from Horsetooth Mountain.

Call: 970-482-2626
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Fort Collins Marriott
350 East Horsetooth Road
1.9 miles from the TMI

Spacious accommodations featuring modern decor, **Fort Collins Marriott** draws from the natural elements found in the surrounding landscape. Relax in the outdoor pool or enjoy Copper Creek Restaurant for fresh dishes using locally sourced ingredients. Enjoy a crafted cocktail at Falls Bar. Explore all of Fort Collins easily with close proximity to Foothills Mall and the bustling Old Town breweries, restaurants, and local shops.

Call: 970-226-5200
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Home2 Suites by Hilton Fort Collins
4715 S. Timberline Road
4.3 miles from the TMI

Home2 Suites features spacious suites with kitchens are ideal for extended stays. Minutes from I-25, Cinemark theater, Super Target, shopping, and restaurants. Enjoy free WiFi, parking, and hot breakfast when you stay here.

Call: 970-223-9995
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Courtyard by Marriott Fort Collins
1200 Oakridge Drive
3.6 miles from the TMI

Enjoy the amenities of South Fort Collins at **Courtyard by Marriott Fort Collins** including shopping and restaurants, and easy access to hiking trails in Loveland, Estes Park, and the nearby foothills. At the end of the day, unwind in stylish rooms featuring free WiFi, plush bedding and ergonomic workspaces.

Call: 970-282-1700
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Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Collins
1127 Oakridge Drive
3.7 miles from the TMI

Breathe new life into your travel routine at **Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Collins**. This extended-stay hotel offers a convenient location shops and restaurants. Plan a day trip to Estes Park and enjoy a hike in Rocky Mountain National Park. Kick off your day at the complimentary continental breakfast. After an eventful day, decompress in oversized suites boasting contemporary decor, complimentary high-speed WiFi, and fully equipped kitchens.

Call: 970-223-5700

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Homewood Suites by Hilton
1521 Oakridge Drive
3.8 miles from the TMI

Free shuttle with **Homewood Suites by Hilton** has the traveler in mind, offering free breakfast, WiFi, and parking. After a day on campus, stretch your legs in their indoor pool or cook a meal using your in-suite kitchen, equipped with a cook top, dishwasher, and full-size fridge. Being on the south end of town, you'll have quick access to surrounding outdoor recreation like Devil's Backbone in Loveland and Rocky Mountain National Park in Estes Park.

Call: 970-225-2400

[Book your stay](#)



Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Fort Collins South
3520 Timberwood Drive
6.0 miles from the TMI

Turn any stay into a relaxing getaway at **Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Fort Collins South**, where you'll find a stress-free experience that allows you to always be at your absolute best. Conveniently located near countless notable locales, such as Colorado State University, Canvas Stadium and the Lincoln Center. Offering free breakfast, a 24-hour fitness center, and pool to stay on top of your workout schedule.

Call: 970-226-6656

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TRANSPORTATION & RENTALS

ENTERPRISE RENT-A-CAR

2100 S College Avenue | 970-224-2592 & 3321 E. Mulberry Street | 970-472-8300

AVIS CAR RENTAL

4900 S College Avenue Ste 100 | 970-229-9115

HERTZ

350 E Horsetooth Road | 970-236-9489

DIA CAR RENTALS

There are 11 options available once you land in Denver with [contact information available here](#).

SHUTTLE SERVICES

Groome Transportation shuttles from DIA to Fort Collins starting at \$35/person. [Book here](#).

GENESIS EXECUTIVE TRANSPORTATION

Provides ground transportation throughout Northern Colorado. [View our corporate discounts](#) and [book](#)



Fort Collins is 55 miles north from Denver International Airport (DIA) about an hour and a half drive.

The most direct route is to take the toll road E-470 out of the airport toward Fort Collins to then merge onto I-25 North.

An alternative is to take Pena Blvd toward I-70 West and I-270 before merging onto I-25 North to Fort Collins.

