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KIDS RIDE FREE AND CINDER BEAR ON THE CUMBRES & TOLTEC

Chama, N.M. & Antonito, CO---Families planning summer vacation will be happy to learn that the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad Kids Ride Free program is back for a second year. Children between the ages of 2 and 12 years old will ride for free with the purchase of one full price adult ticket on the daily excursion trains. The successful program has also been extended to the Cinder Bear Experience – a half day excursion from Chama to Cumbres Pass.

Families will have a wonderful time experiencing the authentic West on the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad as they pass through New Mexico's and Colorado's most scenic areas.

The train climbs the 10,015-foot-high Cumbres Pass, winds through tunnels and over trestles, and past waterfalls, mountain forests, and alpine meadows. A ride on the train is an adventure and is now a top summer vacation pick with the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad Kids Ride Free program.



The Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad is America's highest and longest narrow gauge railroad. While powered by authentic steam locomotives, the railroad runs on the passion and tireless efforts of dedicated employees who make the mountain railroading experience like no other. The railroad is owned jointly by the states of New Mexico and Colorado and crosses back and forth between the two states 11 times.

Families will share quality time together on the train as they traverse 64 miles of unparalleled scenery from either the Antonito or Chama depot. Daily excursion trains stop at the Osier Dining Hall for a scrumptious lunch of roast turkey, homemade meatloaf, baked fish and a fresh salad bar. The children's menu includes hot dogs, macaroni and cheese and their famous triple chocolate and pumpkin pie peach cobbler desserts made fresh daily.

The Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad was designated a National Historic Landmark in October of 2012.

The 2014 season starts May 24 and runs through October 19. Riding the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad is truly a family trip not to be missed. As returning passengers frequently tell the staff, a trip on Cumbres & Toltec creates memories that will last a lifetime.

KIDS RIDE FREE PROGRAM: Available May 24 through October 19 on daily excursion trips #1 through #6, and on Cinder Bear Excursion trains. Limited seats available. May not be combined with any other discount, offer, or promotion. Not valid on Sunset trains, Galloping Goose, or in Tourist Class Seating. Kid-priced lunch fees apply on Daily Excursion trains.

SCHEDULE/ TICKETS: 1.888.286.2737, www.cumbrestoltec.com

****Kids ride free**** *One child rides free with adult ticket. Terms and Conditions: <http://cumbrestoltec.com/ride-us/specials-discounts>.*

ALL ABOARD: ADVENTURE WITH A TEDDY BEAR

This one's for the kids (of all ages, of course). It's a ride on the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad historic steam train designed to appeal to the youngest rail fans. The master of the event is Cinder Bear himself, who will be on hand to greet all passengers and take them on adventures including storytelling, games, songs and more!

The two-hour long funfest is highlighted by the train ride up the mountain to Cumbres Station at the top of the pass.

The trip starts as part of the standard excursion train. At Cumbres Pass Cinder Bear and his new friends will disembark and return to Chama by motorcoach where more fun and games await at the Chama Depot. Each passenger gets a special Cinder Bear souvenir.

The train ride itself is a unique thrill for the kids – and their accompanying adults. It is tailored both in length and style to attract and keep the attention of the youngsters

Cost: Adult \$79; Child free per paying adult, \$29 for extra children's tickets. Fares subject to 5% Historical Preservation Fee.



CUMBRES & TOLTEC 2014 SCHEDULE

Trains depart Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays at 10 a.m. from Chama, N.M. from July 6 to August 15, 2014. Return to Chama by 1pm by motorcoach for lunch and a nap.

LODGING <http://cumbrestoltec.com/stay-in-chama> INFO: **1.888.286.2737**,
<http://www.cumbrestoltec.com/cinder-bear-experience>

The Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad is co-owned by the people of Colorado and New Mexico. Its locomotives, cars, buildings, and even its 64-mile narrow-gauge route were all part of the Denver & Rio Grande Railway. The Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad is one of the country's best examples of a narrow gauge railroads.

INTERVIEWS AND IMAGES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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