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CUMBRES & TOLTEC SCENIC RAILROAD TOP VACATION PICK

Chama, N.M. & Antonito, Colo.--- With many options for great summer getaways, a train ride on Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad leads the pack. Riders will experience the authentic West as they pass through New Mexico and Colorado's most scenic areas on the train. The 2013 Cumbres & Toltec season starts May 25 and runs through October 20, 2013.

The train climbs up to Cumbres Pass at an elevation of 10,015 feet, winds through tunnels and over trestles, and snakes along above the 600 feet deep Toltec Gorge, mountain forests, and alpine meadows. The Cumbres & Toltec offers a beautiful relaxing setting while



traveling through some of the most scenic and beautiful parts of the Rocky Mountains.

Riding the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad is sure to create great memories for travelers with their family and friends. The historic railroad creates a sense of togetherness as riders share quality time on the train surrounded by unparalleled scenery.

The train traverses 64 miles, crossing back and forth between New Mexico and Colorado 11 times. All trains stop at the historic Osier Station for a homemade lunch including freshly made desserts.

Cumbres & Toltec riders can choose from the Victorian-era elegance of the luxurious Parlor Cars or the deluxe Tourist and Coach Cars. The Parlor Car, for riders ages 21 and up, offers a level of luxury, service, and comfort with attentive and friendly staff. Continental breakfast, snacks and soft drinks are served throughout the day on the Parlor Car and riders will receive a complimentary gift bag. Deluxe Tourist Service offers café seating and other upscale amenities. The Gondola Car is open to all riders for open viewing of the mountains and abundant wildlife. There are full-service bars in the Parlor, Tourist and Concession Cars.

A special Cumbres & Toltec train for a fun and romantic evening in the mountains is the Cumbres Sunset Train. The sunset trip operates on Saturday evenings in the summer and includes dinner and live entertainment at the newly built pavilion on top of the Cumbres Pass. After watching spectacular sunsets from the train, riders will listen to music while enjoying the cool summer evening at 10,015 feet.

2013 Season Pass

Cumbres & Toltec season pass holders can ride the train all season for less than the price of two tickets. The pass is ideal for overnight wilderness campers, fly fishermen, hikers, photographers, outdoorsmen and train lovers. It's also a great way to accompany visiting friends and family on the train. Unlimited coach passage on all regular excursion trains and discounted selected special event trains is included in the \$159 season pass price.

With the variety of trips offered, Cumbres & Toltec reservation specialists are available to speak with travelers on the best trip to plan for their day on the train. Many riders enjoy the geological and structural features on the trip between Antonito and Osier, while others will find the 4% grade from Chama to Cumbres Pass more exciting. A highlight of any vacation in the Rockies is sure to be a trip on the historic Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad.

The Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad is jointly owned and operated by New Mexico and Colorado. The railroad was recently designated as a National Historic Landmark by the National Park Service. It is the highest and longest steam powered, authentic, narrow gauge railroad in the United States. The passenger railroad travels over its historic route from Chama, N.M. and Antonito, Colo.

CUMBRES & TOLTEC 2013 SCHEDULE

<u>Trip #1 Antonito to Chama by Motorcoach Return by Train</u> May 25 – Sept. 14 (Monday - Saturday)

Sept. 15 – Oct. 20 (Daily) Motorcoach departs Antonito at 8:30 a.m. Lunch at Osier_(included in fare)

Return to Antonito by train at 4:40 p.m.

Tickets: PARLOR Adult \$169, Child n/a; DELUXE TOURIST Adult \$129, Child \$69;

COACH Adult \$89, Child \$49

TRIP #2 Antonito to Chama by Train Return by Motorcoach May 25 – Sept. 14 (Monday – Saturday)

Sept. 15 – Oct. 20 (Daily)

Train departs Antonito at 10 a.m. Lunch at Osier (included in fare)

Returns to Antonito by motorcoach at 5:25 p.m.

Tickets: **PARLOR** Adult \$169, Child n/a; **DELUXE TOURIST** Adult \$129, Child \$69;

COACH Adult \$89, Child \$49

TRIP #3 Antonito to Osier, Return by Train May 25 – Sept. 14 (Monday – Saturday)

Sept. 15 – Oct. 20 (Daily)

Departs Antonito at 10 a.m. Lunch at Osier (included in fare)

Returns to Antonito by train at 4:40 p.m.

Tickets: PARLOR Adult \$169, Child n/a; DELUXE TOURIST Adult \$129, Child \$69;

COACH Adult \$79, Child \$39

TRIP #4 Chama to Antonito by Motorcoach Return by Train

May 25 – Sept. 14 (Monday – Saturday) Sept. 15 – Oct. 20 (Daily)

Motorcoach departs Chama at 8:30 a.m. Lunch at Osier (included in fare)

Return to Chama by train at 4:05 p.m.

Tickets: PARLOR Adult \$169, Child n/a; DELUXE TOURIST Adult \$129, Child \$69;

COACH Adult \$89, Child \$49

TRIP #5 Chama to Antonito by Train Return by Motorcoach May 25 – Sept. 14 (Monday – Saturday)

Sept. 15 – Oct. 20 (Daily) Train departs Chama at 10 a.m. Lunch at Osier (included in fare)

Return to Chama by motorcoach at 5:30 p.m.

Tickets: **PARLOR** Adult \$169, Child n/a; **DELUXE TOURIST** Adult \$129, Child \$69;

COACH Adult \$89, Child \$49.

TRIP #6 Chama to Osier Return by Train May 25 – Sept. 14 (Monday – Saturday), Sept. 15 – Oct. 20 (Daily)

Train departs Chama at 10 a.m. Lunch at Osier (included in fare) Return to Chama by train at 4:05 p.m.

Tickets: PARLOR Adult \$169, Child n/a; DELUXE TOURIST CLASS Adult \$129, Child \$69; STANDARD

COACH Adult \$79, Child \$39

Cumbres Sunset Train, Saturdays, July 13 - Aug 17, 2013

Train depart Chama Depot at 5:30 p.m. 7 p.m. Cumbres Pass for dinner and entertainment. Return to Chama Depot by 10 p.m. **Tickets: PARLOR•** Adult \$149; Child n/a; **DELUXE TOURIST•** Adult \$119; Child \$49;

COACH Adult \$89; Child \$39

LODGING:

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