

It's only January and the temps are already starting to climb in Phoenix. To take some time out in a true winter wonderland, Gateway Reservations offers tempting Durango, Colo., ski vacation packages.



Only a short plane ride from Phoenix (less than two hours), Durango, Colo., provides a wintry escape for desert dwellers, thanks to incredible skiing and family-friendly fun. Gateway Reservations provides easy access to all the city has to offer. You see, Gateway Reservations has been a central reservations provider in Durango since 1986; it's safe to say the company is experts on the Colorado destination. (Gateway Reservations are also know-it-alls on Telluride, Taos and more luxury locales.)

Fixing to get away in the New Year? Here's what Durango has to offer its lucky visitors:

Ski Retreats

Whether you are a first-time skier or have taken to the slopes time and time again, Gateway Reservations offers fantastic ski packages at discounted prices. As the official Durango Central Reservations provider, Gateways allows travelers to choose their accommodations from a variety of options, from cabins or vacation homes to luxury resorts, and then creates a truly customized package based on other activities and travel necessities (think lift tickets, rentals, train rides, etc.).

Due to its incredible skiing opportunities, Durango has been given plenty of love by the ski industry. For instance, SKI Magazine named Purgatory at Durango Mountain Resort one of the "7 Great Mountains to Ski With Your Kids" while the same magazine also recognized Durango as one of the "Next Best Places to Ski, Live, Invest and Retire."



Family-Friendly Fun

If you're taking a break from the flakes (perhaps resting up after a day of skiing, snowboarding or snowmobiling), there is plenty of other family fun to be had in Durango. For thrill-seekers, Soaring Tree Top Adventures is one of the best-rated zip-line tours in the country while bike tours and rafting are also popular activities in the Colorado town. For a feast for the eyes, there are tours designed to explore one of Durango's most interesting historic sites, the breathtaking Mesa Verde National Park; the famous Durango & Silverton Train allows a front-row seat to can't-miss Durango sights.

To learn more about Gateway Reservations and its Durango travel packages, visit. www.gatewayreservations.com.

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