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PLUS THE BUZZ ON LOCAL WINES



EAST

HEADING Steamboat Springs

With its snow-covered mountain-tops and popular ski slopes, Steamboat Springs, Colorado, is known for its winters, but the sunnier temperatures also keep people coming back. Nestled among the Rocky Mountains, the warm air and small-town feel provide the perfect backdrop for alfresco dining and outdoor adventures.

STAY Imagine a home away from home, but with the amenities and services of a luxury resort. One of the Timbers Collection's newest properties, **One Steamboat Place**, 2250 Après Ski Way, Steamboat Springs, 970-875-1000, onesteamboatplace.com, is the perfect year-round getaway with a relaxed, residential feel. Before you arrive, the concierge can schedule spa treatments, guided activities, a private chef, and stock your kitchen full of groceries.

EAT AND DRINK Hot spot **Truffle Pig**, 2250 Après Ski Way, Steamboat Springs, 970-879-7470, onesteamboatplace.com, features chef Ezra Duker's casual yet elegant farm-to-table cuisine. Dine outdoors on a hot Indian summer night or saddle up to the bar for a hearty bacon cheeseburger and truffle Parmesan fries. The historic honky-tonk **Ghost Ranch Saloon**, 56 7th St., Steamboat Springs, 970-879-9898, ghost ranchsaloon.com—named after the original Coal View Ghost Ranch, once haunted by coal workers—is an Old West watering hole that guarantees a good time.

DO It's on the best of bucket lists and not recommended for those with a fear of heights.... Catch a bird's-eye view of the town with **Wild West Balloon Adventures**, 42415 Deerfoot Ln., Steamboat Springs, 970-879-7219, wildwestballooning.com. Take off into the sky on a brightly colored hot-air balloon and drift over the stunning Flat Top Mountain range. Spend a day outdoors at **Catamount Ranch & Club**, 30215 Waters Edge Trail, 970-871-9229, catamountranchclub.com, and experience a million and a half acres of national forest and 12,000-foot-high peaks. Hit a hole in one at the world-class golf course, try a hand at fishing in the private lake, or take a guided hike through luscious greenery. **-SARAH YOUNG**