# WHERE TO STAY

### **BLUE DRAGONFLY INN BED & BREAKFAST**

600 W. 18th St. | 575-425-0005

Four comfortable, themed guest rooms with all new bedding, southwestern and traditional hot breakfasts, an indoor pool and hot tub, modern exercise equipment, and warm hospitality.

# CASA DEL GAVILAN BED & BREAKFAST 376-2246

6 mi. south on Hwy. 21 | toll free 1-800-GAVILAN Historic B&B in the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains

#### CIMARRON INN & RV PARK 376-2268

212 E. 10th St.—off Highway 64

Theme rooms, cabins with kitchens

RV & tent sites; grey water dumping—\$10

Water to refill RV—\$5

Pets welcome ~ Free WiFi ~ no smoking

#### PINE RIDGE MOTEL & RV PARK 376-2960

12 mi. west on Highway 64 in Ute Park Convenience store, gifts, gas, garage

#### PONIL CAMPGROUND & RV PARK 376-2343

31130 Highway 64 east

RV parking, camping, showers, laundry, WiFi

#### ST. JAMES HOTEL 1-888-376-2664 or 376-2664

617 S. Collison St. (Hwy 21)

Formal dining room, saloon

Historic, haunted hotel on the Santa Fe Trail

# WHERE TO EAT

**BLÜ DRAGONFLY BREWING** 376-1110 301-C E. 9th St.

**BURRITO BANQUET** 817-454-0832

400 E. 10th St.

CHARLEY'S CHICKEN 376-2577

31023 Hwy 64 (inside Phillips 66 station)

**CIMARRON'S HOUSE OF PIZZA** 376-2130

Corner of Ninth & Lincoln

**COLFAX TAVERN & DINER** 376-2229

8 mi. north on Highway 64 Pizza and billiards

THE PORCH RESTAURANT 376-2228

636 Ninth Street | Call for Catering—Closed in Winter Limited hours; call to verify | Reservations recommended

THE ST. JAMES HOTEL 376-2664

617 S. Collison (Hwy 21) | Formal dining room, Saloon

# NATIONAL MONUMENTS

#### CAPULIN VOLCANO NATIONAL MONUMENT

Learn about volcanic formation and geologic History 575-278-2201 or www.npa.gov/cavo

#### FORT UNION NATIONAL MONUMENT

Established 1851 as military garrison, arsenal & supply depot. Visible network of Santa Fe Trail ruts. 505-425-8025 or www.nps.gov/foun

# OTHER LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

#### Hwy 64 going to Raton, NM

- Dawson Cemetery
- Valle Vidal unit of Carson National Forest
- Barker Wildlife Area
- Maxwell Wildlife Refuge

#### NRA Whittington Center 800-494-4853

Hwy 64, 10 miles SW of Raton

- Shoot, Hunt, Hike, Bike, Ride, Venture!
- Guided & Unguided Hunts
- Camping/RV Sites, Lodging with Dining Facility
- Visitor Center, Gift Shop and Museum
- www.nrawc.org

#### Cimarron Canyon & Enchanted Circle

- Wheeler Peak Wilderness Area (highest point in NM)
- Elizabethtown Museum & Ghost Town
- Vietnam Veteran's Memorial State Park
- Follow "The Enchanted Circle"

# Springer Museum & Santa Fe Trail Interpretive Center 575-483-5554

- Springer, NM; 30 mins south of Cimarron on i25
- 614 Maxwell Ave, Springer, NM
- Memorial Day to Labor Day; Daily 10-4 (call to verify)



# PLAN YOUR GETAWAY!

Once home of the Jicarilla Apache and Ute Indians, Cimarron, located on the mountain branch of the Santa Fe Trail, became the hub of a mining and ranching empire. The pioneer spirit which gave rise to Cimarron brought famous and infamous people alike. Names like Wyatt Earp, Annie Oakley, Buffalo Bill Cody, Frank & Jesse James have all added to our history. Many of these characters have left their mark on our famous, historic St. James hotel.

In 1864, Land Grant Baron Lucien B. Maxwell built the Aztec Mill to grind flour for Fort Union and the Ute and Apache Indians. Now, this historic landmark houses a collection of photographs and artifacts interpreting local history and is just one of several historic attractions in the Cimarron area.

Cimarron, NM attracts outdoorsmen from all around. At 33,116 acres, the Colin Neblett Wildlife Area is the largest state wildlife area & includes Cimarron Canyon State Park. The Cimarron River traverses the canyon past the sheer cliffs of the Palisades. Picnic areas and campgrounds are located within the Canyon. Hiking, hunting and fishing are popular, as is watching the abundant deer, elk and other wildlife. This is just one of the several public lands available in Cimarron.

Also notable in Cimarron is the Philmont Scout Ranch, which is the largest Scout ranch in the world. This land was donated to the Boy Scouts of America in 1938 by oilman Waite Phillips. Philmont is the BSA's National Training Center and premier High Adventure Base, hosting nearly 25,000 Scouts, explorers and leaders annually. Tourists love to visit the four museums that are open to the public at Philmont.

Whether you're coming to Cimarron for relaxation and beauty, to experience the many artists and galleries, to partake in the many outdoor activities available, or to gaze back in time at our nation's unruly, early days in the west, you will truly find Cimarron to be a place of enchantment.





# **TOURIST GUIDE**



# Cimarron Visitor Center

P.O. Box 604 / 104 N. Lincoln Cimarron, NM 87714

Call: 575-376-2417 or toll free: 1-888-376-2417 Email: cimarronnm@gmail.com

#### **Hours:**

Approx. Memorial Day—Labor Day:
Mon-Sat 10-5; Sundays 1-5
Off-Season Hours Vary—please call ahead



# THINGS TO DO

# Santa Fe Trail Byway INTERPRETIVE CENTER

Highway 64 across from Visitor Center Historic information & photographs

#### **Old Town Cimarron WALKING TOUR**

See, first-hand, sites like the Old Aztec Mill Museum, the Old Cimarron Jail & Lucien Maxwell's House. Self-guided tour maps available at the Visitor Center.

#### **OLD AZTEC MILL MUSEUM**

17th St, off Hwy 21 | Local history & exhibits Open Summer Only ~ Schedule varies

### HISTORIC ST. JAMES HOTEL | 888-376-2664

Where western history and the spirits of the old west come alive! Self-guided tours front.desk@exstjames.com www.exstjames.com

#### SCENIC DRIVES

A variety of scenic drives, short and long, are available at the Visitor Center. Take a drive and see fantastic scenery or find old ruts and swales left by wagon trains along the Santa Fe Trail.

#### LEGENDS BY LANTERNLIGHT TOUR

Be entertained by ghost stories and tales of the local Wild West history while touring several historic sites accompanied by an interpretive guide. Summers on Saturdays at 7:30pm. Cost \$8. Call 575-445-8373 for a reservation or visit http://legendsbylantern.com/index.html

# PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH

575-376-1136 ~ www.philmontscoutranch.org

Philmont is the largest Scout ranch in the world, providing high adventure treks to thousands of Boy Scouts every year. Four museums are open to the public, providing both a glimpse into history and a look at the history of Scouting.

# NATIONAL SCOUTING MUSEUM & Seton Memorial Library

4 miles south- Hwy 21 | Variety of exhibits about Scouting Open Daily Summer ~ Shorter Winter Hours

#### KIT CARSON MUSEUM at Ravado

First permanent settlement in Colfax County; now a living museum. 11 miles south on Hwy 21 Summer Only: Open Daily

#### VILLA PHILMONTE 4 miles south on Hwy 21

1920's ranch home of oilman Waite Phillips

Tours year round for \$5 donation

Summer ~ Tours scheduled daily

Winter ~ Tours by appointment

#### HISTORIC CHASE RANCH

Visit the Chase museum and take a guided tour of the historic structures & cattle ranch established in 1867 by pioneers Manly and Theresa Chase.

Call for tour information: 575-376-1136

# NM STATE/NAT'L PARKS:

http://www.newmexico.org

#### CIMARRON CANYON STATE PARK

Set in New Mexico's high country, where spectacular palisade cliffs and clear running waters dominate the landscape, Cimarron Canvon State Park is part of the Colin Neblett Wildlife Area—the largest wildlife area in the state.

- Fishing, hiking, wildlife viewing, camping & more
- Fees: \$15/night to camp or \$5 day use fee to park anywhere in the canyon; season pass is available.
- Call for more info: 575-377-6271

#### **Carson National Forest: VALLE VIDAL UNIT**

The 100,000-acre Valle Vidal Unit of the Carson National Forest was donated to the American people by the Pennzoil Company of Houston, Texas in 1982. It boasts a wide variety of outstanding outdoor activities.

- Camping, hiking, biking, fishing, hunting, off-roading, wildlife viewing, and a great place for horseback riding
- Camping Fees: \$12.00/Night for single unit, \$5.00 extra vehicle fee.
- Call for more info: 505-758-6300

#### MAXWELL NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Established in 1965 as a feeding and resting area for migratory birds, the refuge hosts several thousand ducks, geese, swans and sandhill cranes from September to March.

- Camping, boating, fishing, hiking, wildlife viewing
- No access fees.
- Call for more info: 505-375-2331

#### ELLIOTT BARKER WILDLIFE AREA

Over 5.000 acres adjoin Carson Forest's elk-filled Valle Vidal unit east of 12,441 foot Eagle Nest Baldy.

- Hunting for elk, wildlife viewing, hiking, camping, horseback riding, mountain biking.
- No access fees.
- Call for more info: 575-445-2311

#### ~Other Public Lands Near Cimarron~

#### **Eagle Nest Lake State Park**

Fishermen, boaters, campers & wildlife enthusiasts Call for more info: 575-377-1594

#### **Sugarite Canyon State Park**

Historic coal mining camp near Raton, NM

# Call for more info: 575-445-5607

Vietnam Veteran's Memorial State Park Angel Fire, NM. Opened in 1972. Only state park in the US dedicated as a Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Call for

#### more info: 575-377-2293

#### ARTISTS & CRAFTERS

Cimarron is a haven for artists and craftsmen alike. Galleries offer unique items from local and area artists.

#### **OUR ARTISTS**

Martin Payletich, Landscapes in Oils & Soft Pastels http://www.lmartinpavletich.com/

Melinda Marlowe, Murals, Acrylics, Oils & Kaleidoscopes www.muralsandmorebymarlowe.com

Susan Norris, Sculptor, painter

http://www.susannorrisartworks.com/

Yvonne O'Brien, Fine art photography

### WHERE TO FIND THEIR WORK

# CIMARRON ART GALLERY

337 E. Ninth St. | 376-2614 Old-time soda fountain, jewelry, artwork

#### **CIMARRON BLUE MOON**

341 E. Ninth St. | 376-2223

Regional art & New Mexico-made products Artists displayed: Steve Knight, Melinda Marlowe, Julia London-Meddles, Tanya Lopez, Gene Lamm, Yvonne O'Brien, Sherry Wolf

#### L. MARTIN PAVLETICH STUDIO

428 E Ninth St. | 635-2829

Artists displayed: L. Martin Pavletich www.lmartinpavletich.com

#### PHILMONT MUSEUM

On Philmont Scout Ranch | 376-1136 Artist displayed: Susan Norris, sculptures

#### **SCHWENKS ANTIQUES**

716 S. Collison Ave. | 376-2044 Artists displayed:

Open Summer only—call for hours

#### **OUR CRAFTERS**

### CIMARRON CANDLE COMPANY

31097 Hwy 64 | 376-9002

Hand-poured candles with distinctive scents of the west. www.cimarroncandle.com

### THE OUTFITTER

129 E. 12th St. | 376-9128

Leather work, western memorabilia & period clothing

## STEVE RICK

312 E. 10th St. | 376-2449

Custom knives/ironwork & sterling silver jewelry http://forgebuilder.com/

# Run For The Wall

Every year, the RFTW riders come through Cimarron on their way to Washington DC and stop at our Veterans Memorial for a brief ceremony

LOCAL EVENTS

## JJJLY

**MAY** 

# 4th of July Parade & Rodeo

The longest running open rodeo in the west!

# **AUGUST**

# Maverick Ranch Rodeo, PRCA Sanctioned

Watch working teams of cowboys & cowgirls from ranches across the west compete in real events of the modern cowboy!

# Cimarron Day!

Live music & entertainment! Variety of food vendors, Artisans & Craftsmen, Fun for the whole family!

# Cimarron Cowboy Music & Poetry Gathering

Music & Poems for those who live & work in the West! Bring the whole herd! Kids, Grand- parents, Moms & Dads!

# **SEPTEMBER**

# **Shortgrass Music Festival**

A non-profit group dedicated to expanding the educational and cultural resources of northeast New Mexico by presenting a variety of fine, live music to people of all backgrounds & ages & providing performance workshops in Colfax County schools.

# Complete list at www.cimarronnm.com

In 2013, CNN named Cimarron the 'Cowboy Capital of the World!' **WORKING RANCHES** 

**CS Ranch**......376-2827 Working ranch. No tours. **CS Hunting & Outfitters**......376-2595 Express Ranches Atmore, *Ute Park......*376-2391 **Express Ranches UU Bar**......376-2035 Hunting & Fishing packages **WS/Vermejo Park Ranch.....**376-2276

Hunting, fishing, lodging, etc

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