

There's only one...

TRAIL RIDGE ROAD

If the views don't take your breath away, the elevation will. Running to a 12,183-foot crescendo, this historic byway literally splits the United States in two as it crosses the continental divide. With no shortage of dramatic views, every twist and turn plays like a visual greatest hits album.

WHAT'S THAT THING?

Hiker
10
points

Elk
100
points

Moose
1,000
points

Moostache
10,000
points

UN-FUN FACTS

Miles long
48

Completed in
1938

Also known as
US 34

colorado river HEAD-WATERS

The mighty Colorado River has its humble beginning as a tiny stream draining a wet meadow in Rocky Mountain National Park. Hey everything's got to start somewhere.

what to WEAR

June - August
Shorts and a parka

September - October
Warm winter gear and snow boots

November - May
Straight jacket
(Closed for extreme weather)

how to GET THERE



From Estes Park, take US-36 W to the entrance to Rocky Mountain National Park. Once inside the park, US-36 turns into Trail Ridge Road.

far view CURVE

The last switchback before the summit, Far View offers the best vantage point to take in the aptly named Never Summer Mountains, where snow falls as late as July.

what's under THAT PARKA?



50%
Broncos Jersey

30%
Colorado T-Shirt

15%
Biker Shorts

5%
Nothing

what's that TINGLING SENSATION?



65%
Awe and wonder at natural beauty

32%
Excitement on high exposure curves

3%
Altitude sickness