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## Editor's Notes

nother year has begun. The days are becoming warmer, as spring-time draws near. It's a great time to start planning another camping get-a-way. Check-out pages 6 and 7, where you'll find our newest "Campground Highlight." River Ridge Retreat in Guntersville, Alabama and Talladega Stop RV Park & Campground in Lincoln, Alabama.

On page 11, enjoy another easy and quick recipe, "Easy Pineapple Bundt Cake." It's so easy to make and "oh" so delicious. All your family and friends will love it!

Barbara Oliver shares with us two great articles, page 8 she takes us to Fort Uncompandere and on page 20 to Exploring the Trail of the Old Spanish Historic Trail.

Want to earn money while camping and traveling? It's easy to do! Participate in the Passport America Referral Program that pays you every month. See page 19 for more details.

As always, we want to hear from you, so please send your feedback, ideas, and stories to share with other members. You may send your stories and comments to Passport America, c/o April Fillingim, 5735 Hwy 85 North, Crestview, FL 32536, or email to april@ passportamerica.net.

With the traveling season upon us, we, at Passport

America, are looking forward to bringing yet another year of 50% savings to our members at more than 1,200+ quality resorts and campgrounds. Passport America greatly appreciates and thanks all of its members who have endeavored to make Passport America such a great success.

We wish you safe and happy travels as you travel along our beautiful open roads!

April Fillingim





## Feed Back

#### Lazy J Campground

Rosman, NC

What a hidden gem. Most sites are not level, however they are not bad. Many sites are pull-through. WiFi at the office only. Sites are shaded. Restrooms and showers are very clean. Entryway across the bridge may be intimidating for some ... Just center up well and take it slow an easy. Staff is very friendly and helpful. Three days there, we will be back.

- Robert Partain



#### Breckenridge RV Resort

Crossville, TN

If you are looking for a quiet campground, this is it. We stayed for 4 nights in August '21 in site #3. Had lots of shade as does most of the park. They have a clubhouse with TV, books, magazines and a DVD player. The laundry room is clean and located in the middle of the park. The office staff are nice. No refunds if you leave early. Not much to do at the park, just relaxation.

- Mary Ann Valdovinos



#### Wenatchee River County Park Monitor. WA

We thoroughly enjoyed our stay at Wenatchee River County Park the beginning of October '21. The timing was great due to availability of PA and less The camparound crowds. was really clean (some of the cleanest public bathrooms I have ever seen and the hosts were helpful. There is some noise from the highway and trains but it didn't bother us. We received an activity page during check-in and used the coupon for the Mexican restaurant in Cashmere (about 5-7 minutes away). The town was nice and the restaurant was excellent. We will return.

- Michael Compton



#### Arrowhead Cabin & Canoe

Caddo Gap. AR

If you're looking for a luxury RV resort, this is not for you. You must understand that this is a rustic location.

Basically it's like camping out in the woods, but with utilities. The grounds are not going to be "prepared". They are natural, so branches and leaves will be strewn on the ground and there are ruts in the road. Sites were built around the trees, not having trees planted around

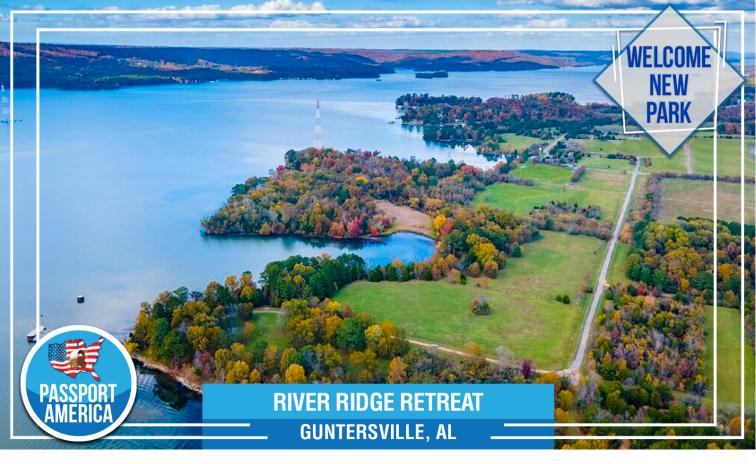
perfect sites but fairly level. The plus side is that the park is very peaceful with a lovely creek passing through and access to a large river. They also offer rentals for kayaks and other recreation opportunities. Price is very reasonable, friendly folks.

- Michael Miller









Unplug and recharge at newly affiliated park, River Ridge Retreat in Guntersville, AL. Find Adventure without leaving the property! River Ridge Retreat offers 570+ acres, with brand new, modern RV sites and Tiny House Cabins! The property sits directly on Lake Guntersville, Alabama's largest lake, boasting 69,000 acres of water. There are miles of waterfront, hiking trails and paved roads for all of your favorite camping activities, with the option of bike and golf cart rentals!

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Total Sites: 3 (full hookups) Reg. Rate: \$40.00 Website: N/A

Amps: 50 PA Rate: \$20 Visit, Follow or Like on Facebook

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## Fort Uncompangre

Text & Photos by Barbara Oliver

Our history lesson began as we stepped out of our car. Here at the fort, we were to learn the many aspects of life back in the frontier days along the Old Spanish Trail.

The entrance to the fort is through the Visitor Center, bookstore, gift shop and information center. From there,

we strolled down the tree-lined path to the fort.

Fort Uncompander was established as a fur trading post in 1828 by Antone Robidoux, a trader based out of Mexican Santa Fe. It was situated near the confluence of the Gunnison and Uncompander Rivers where its location afforded timber

for construction, firewood and pasture for pack animals. It was a gathering place for the Ute Indians and a near-by ford made crossing the river accessible. It was built mainly to secure goods and livestock, not to be defensive.

Accounts indicate approximately 15 individuals were employed here and were





responsible for limited trapping, trading, preparing hides and skins, bundling fur packs and general maintenance of the fort.

Today, everything at the fort is authentic...from the dirt floors, the piles of furs and hides to the earthen oven used to cook. Fort Uncompanyare brings history alive with demonstrations and activities such as tomahawk throwing, hide scraping and starting a fire with flint. School tours are very popular. Tepees grace the grounds and also a native plant garden.

Fort Uncompander is located at 440 North Palmer St. in Delta, Colorado. There is plenty of RV



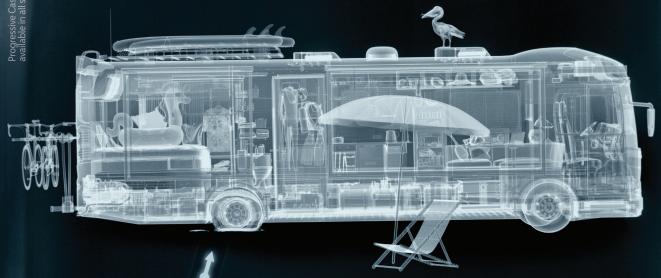


parking and the Visitor Center also offers 2 nights free camping (no facilities) in the lot. Right down the road is Confluence Park which offers picnicking, a

bike park, walking trails, fishing, a disk golf course and some great views.



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## Easy Pineapple Bundt Cake

Take your taste buds on a tropical vacation with this Easy Pineapple Bundt Cake. It's an easy to make, fluffy and moist cake filled with pineapple flavors. Perfect for those that can't get enough of this sweet and tangy fruit! Using canned pineapple and a box of yellow cake mix, we get a flavorful dessert without much effort. In fact, we only need 5 ingredients to complete this recipe making it a great minimal ingredient dessert that is sure to impress.

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

#### For the cake

1 box yellow cake mix 15.25 oz 1/2 cup salted butter, melted 3/4 cup pineapple juice 3 eggs

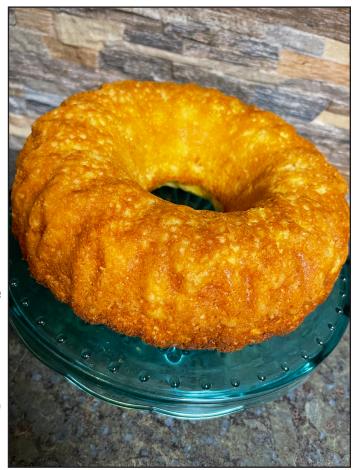
1 cup crushed or chunked pineapple

#### For the Glaze

3/4 cup pineapple juice
1 cup powdered sugar
1/4 cup butter, room temperature

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Preheat your oven to 350 degrees F and grease a 10-12 cup bundt pan with butter or baking cooking spray.
- In a large bowl, mix together the pineapple juice, melted butter, and cake mix until smooth. Add in the eggs and crushed/ chunk pineapple and mix on high speed for 2 minutes. Transfer to prepared bundt cake pan.
- Bake the pineapple cake in the preheated oven for 35-40 minutes, or until a toothpick placed into the cake comes out clean. Allow the cake to fully cool.



- Meanwhile, mix together your glaze ingredients in a small saucepan and cook over medium heat until the butter has melted through. Remove from heat.
- Using a straw or skewer, poke holes throughout the bottom of the cake. Pour 1/3 of the glaze over the bottom of the cake and allow to cool for 10-15 minutes. Flip the cake over onto a serving platter. Add 1.5 cups powdered sugar to the remaining glaze & spoon over the top. Serve and enjoy!

Please submit your favorite travel recipes! Include full recipe, photos, and author.

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#### ALABAMA

**River Ridge Retreat** 

2450 Monsanto Rd Guntersville, AL 35976

www.riverridgeguntersville.com

Rates: \$45.00, PA Rate: \$22.50

Talladega Pit Stop RV Park &

Campground. 4889 Speedway Blvd

Lincoln, AL 35096

https://talladegapitstop.com

Rates: \$33.00 - \$44.00 PA Rates: \$16.50 - \$22.00

**ARIZONA** 

**Gold Fever Adventures & Resort** 

53874 Hwy 60 Salome, AZ 85348

www.goldfeveradventuresandresort.com

Rates: \$30.00, PA Rate: \$15.00

**GEORGIA** 

**Hidden Forest RV Club** 

760 Robert Poole Rd

Lyons, GA 30436

www.hiddenforestrv.com

Rates: \$40.00, PA Rate: \$20.00

**KENTUCKY** 

**Cummins Ferry RV Park & Campground** 

2558 Cummins Ferry Rd Salvisa, KY 40372

www.cumminsferry.com

Rates: \$40.00 - \$50.00 PA Rates: \$20.00 - \$25.00

**NEW JERSEY** 

Sun Retreats Pleasant Acres Farm

61 DeWitt Rd Sussex, NJ 07461

www.sunoutdoors.com

Rates: \$75.00, PA Rate: \$37.50

PENNSYLVANIA

Paradise Stream Family Campground

693 Paradise Stream Rd Lovsville, PA 17047

https://campparadisestream.com

Rates: \$69.00 - \$76.00 PA Rates: \$34.50 - \$38.00 TEXAS

**Roadrunner RV Park** 

501 S Hwy 281

Johnson City, TX 78636

https://roadrunnerrvparktexas.com

Rates: \$45.00 - \$60.00 PA Rates: \$22.50 - \$30.00

Jetstream RV Resort at Waller

41409 Cyrus Ln

Waller, TX 77484

 $\underline{https://jetstreamrvresortatwaller.com}$ 

Rates: \$65.00, PA Rate: \$32.50

UTAH

**Sun Outdoors Arches Gateway** 

1773 N Hwy 191. Moab, UT 84532

www.sunoutdoors.com Rates: \$54.00 - \$75.00

PA Rates: \$27.00 - \$37.50

**Sun Outdoors Canyonlands Gateway** 

13701 N Hwy 191 Moab, UT 84532

www.sunoutdoors.com

Rates: \$58.00 - \$120.00 PA Rates: \$29.00 - \$60.00





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#### ALABAMA

#### Gandy's RV Park

Flomaton, AL

New Rates: \$40.00, PA Rate: \$20.00 Two nights minimum stay required. Reservations/drive-ups welcome. Pets must be leashed, cleaned up after, and with owner while outside of RV.

#### Just Loafin RV Park

Samson, AL. PA applies to one night only. Reservations/drive-ups welcome.

#### **ARIZONA**

#### **Red Barn Campground**

Benson, AZ

New Rates: \$49.99 - \$59.99 PA Rates: \$25.00 - \$30.00

#### Valley Vista RV Resort, An Encore Resort

Benson, AZ. Reservations required. Book at RVontheGo.com - code PA22.

#### North Clifton RV Park

Clifton, AZ. Open year-round! PA valid year round - 6 day limit. Credit card, check or money orders only.

#### Mesa Spirit RV Resort,

An Encore Resort. Mesa. AZ Reservations required. Book at RVontheGo.com with code PA22.

#### Apache Mobile Park

Saint David, AZ, Clean, quiet, & peaceful 55+ park in beautiful location. Open year round! PA valid one night. New Rates: \$25.00 - \$35.00 PA Rate: \$12.50 - \$17.50

#### El Molino

Tucson, AZ. Open year-round! PA not valid Dec thru April. No max stay with PA discount.

#### **Suni Sands RV Resort**

Yuma, AZ, Reservations required, Book at RVontheGo.com with code PA22.

#### Southern Mesa RV Park

Yuma, AZ

PA not valid Sept 15th thru Apr 15th.

#### **CALIFORNIA**

#### **Mavflower Park**

Blythe, CA. Reservations available. PA valid Mon - Thur, Apr - Sept, Not valid during holidays/special events or with other discounts. PA does not apply with an online reservation.

New Rates: \$35.00 - \$55.00 PA: \$17.50 - \$27.50

#### Sun and Fun RV Park

Tulare, CA

New Rates: \$70.00, PA Rate: \$35.00

#### **COLORADO**

#### Aspen Ridge RV Park

South Fork, CO

New Rates: \$45.00 - \$51.00 PA Rate: \$22.50 - \$25.50 Open May 1st - Nov 1st. PA not valid Memorial Day week thru Labor Day week or during holidays/holiday weekends. PA valid 6 nights with 2 night minimum stay required.

#### **FLORIDA**

#### Southern Palms RV Resort. An Encore Resort. Eustis. FL Reservations required. Book at

RVontheGo.com with code PA22.

#### Gulf Coast RV Resort LLC. A Treehouse Community, Inglis, FL

New Rates: \$42.00, PA Rate: \$21.00 PA not valid Dec - Mar or during holidays/holiday weekends. PA valid 6 nights max, once every 30 days. Standard sites only. Reservations and drive-ups welcome.

#### Sherwood Forest RV Resort, An Encore

Resort. Kissimmee. FL. Reservations required. Book at RVontheGo.com code PA22.

#### Ridgecrest MHC. A Treehouse

Community. Ormond Beach. FL. New Rates: \$75.00, PA Rate: \$37.50 Reservations required. Reservations accepted no more than 24 hours prior to arrival. PA valid 6 nights max, once every 30 days. PA not valid during local special events (call for details). PA discount applies to standard sites only.

#### Paradise Mini Village And RV Park

Ponce de Leon, FL

New Rates: \$35.00. PA Rate: \$17.50

#### Whispering Palms Resort

Sebastian, FL

New Rates: \$65.00, PA Rate: \$32.50

#### Moultrie RV Park

Moultrie, GA

New Rates: \$35.00, PA Rate: \$17.50 Open year-round. PA valid two nights max. PA not valid during special events, Expo Car Show, and Arts & Crafts Festival.

#### **IOWA**

#### **Updog RV & Camping**

Mt Pleasant, IA New Rates: \$33.00 - \$35.00 Open April 15th - Nov 15th. PA valid Mon thru Thur only, for one night, additional nights available at full price. PA not valid the week before thru the day of Labor Day. Reservations and drive ups welcome.

#### INDIANA

#### Twin Mills RV Resort

Howe, IN Reservations required. Book at RVontheGo.com with code PA22.

#### MAINE

#### **Naples Campground**

Naples, ME

New Rates: \$65.00 - \$135.00 PA Rates: \$32.50 - \$67.50



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#### MISSOURI

#### **Branson Musicland Kampground**

Branson, MO

New Rates: \$43.95 - \$49.95 PA Rates: \$21.98 - \$24.98

#### **NORTH CAROLINA**

#### **Green Mountain Park RV**

Lenoir, NC

Reservations required. Book at RVontheGo.com with code PA22.

#### **NORTH DAKOTA**

#### The Crossings Campground

Belfield, ND

New Rates: \$30.00, PA Rate: \$15.00

#### **Boots Campground**

Medora, ND

New Rates: \$45.00, PA Rate: \$22.50

#### **NEW MEXICO**

#### **Angel Fire RV Resort**

Angel Fire, NM

New Rates: \$95.00 - \$105.00 PA Rates: \$47.50 - \$52.50

#### **Hidden Valley Ranch RV Resort**

Deming, NM. 55+ park. Reservations req. One week minimum stay req. PA members may stay as long as they wish on PA rate. No check-ins after dark.

#### **Along The River RV Park & Campground**

Ruidoso, NM

Closed Dec 15th thru Mar 10th.

#### Blaze-In-Saddle RV Park

Tucumcari, NM

New Rates: \$34.00 - \$36.00 PA Rates: \$17.00 - \$18.00

#### **NEW YORK**

#### Yellow Lantern Kampground

Cortland, NY

Open Apr 15 - Oct 15. PA not valid before or after those dates-Valid from May 15th - Sept 15th ONLY, Mon thru Thurs. for one night ONLY. PA not valid during holidays/special events. Drive-up accommodations only (no reservations permitted for PA-first come, first served). Please call ahead to check availability. PA not valid for 50-amp service or full hookup.

#### OKLAHOMA

#### Territory Route 66 RV Park &

**Campground.** Hinton, OK

PA valid 2 nights max. Reservations and drive ups are welcome. Weekly/monthly rates available. Please check with owners about pricing and availability.

#### OREGON

#### Mt Hood Village RV Resort

Welches, OR

Reservations required. Book at RVontheGo.com with code PA22.

#### **PENNSYLVANIA**

#### **Round Top Campground**

Gettysburg, PA

Reservations required. Book at RVontheGo.com with code PA22.

#### **PA Dutch Country RV**

Manheim, PA

Reservations required. Book at RVontheGo.com with code PA22.

#### **SOUTH CAROLINA**

#### **Cartersville Country Winery**

Timmonsville, SC

Reservations and drive-ups welcome. Please call ahead to check availability. Pets welcome.

#### **SOUTH DAKOTA**

#### Fish N Fry Campground

Deadwood, SD

New Rates: \$46.00, PA Rate: \$23.00

#### **Rondees Campground**

Mitchell, SD

PA valid for one night only.

#### **TENNESSEE**

#### **Cherokee Trails Campground & Stables**

Bluff City, TN

New Rates: \$34.62, PA Rate: \$17.31

#### **TEXAS**

#### Paisano RV & Mobile Home Park

Alice, TX New Notes

Open year-round! Reservations recommended. PA valid 2 nights max. No smoking. Credit cards accepted. Pets welcome.

#### **Lake Pointe Resort**

Canyon Lake, TX

New Rates: \$73.00 - \$86.00 PA Rates: \$36.50 - \$43.00

Open year-round! PA valid up to 14 days within a 30 day period and valid a max of 28 days per year. PA valid Sun - Thur only. Must have one week out to stay

longer.

#### **Peaceful Pines RV Park**

Conroe, TX

Reservations required. PA valid on nightly rate only. PA not valid on weekly/monthly rates. Credit cards accepted. Pets on leash welcome. Non-aggressive dog breeds are welcome.

#### **Crockett Family Resort**

Crockett, TX

New Rates: \$40.00 - \$44.00 PA Rates: \$20.00 - \$22.00

PA members must call ahead and check availability during peak season months, April thru October. PA not valid the week before and after Memorial Day, July 4th and Labor day. PA not valid during holidays and holiday weekends. PA discount applies to the nightly rate only and cannot be combined with another discount or special offer. PA discount does not apply to an online reservation. PA discount does not apply to tent sites and other rental accommodations.



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#### **TEXAS** (continued)

#### American Campground

Del Rio, TX

Please call ahead to check availability. PA valid one night max. Please see management for discounts on longer stays. Cards accepted. Pets welcome.

#### My Favorite Campground

New Waverly, TX

PA valid Sun - Wed only, 2 nights per quarter. Mention PA when making reservations. TEXT ahead to check availability. PA not valid holiday weeks, special events, spring break, local events, etc. Pets welcome, see policies.

#### Fun N Sun RV Resort, An Encore Resort

San Benito, TX

Reservations required. Book at RVontheGo.com with code PA22.

#### **VIRGINIA**

#### Colonial Pines Campground At Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center

Toano, VA. Open year-round! PA valid 2 nights max per calendar month, Sat thru Thur only. Not available Fridays, Labor Day or Memorial Day weekends. Guests must show their PA card to receive discount. Reservations for any part of Memorial Day & Labor Day weekends require a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit at the time of booking. 3 night reservation if any of your nights fall during Fri - Sun of Memorial Day & Labor Day weekends. CC accepted.

#### WASHINGTON

#### Elma RV Park

Elma, WA

Open year round. PA valid Mon, Tues and Wed only. PA not valid on 4 Pull Thru Sites. Credit cards/cash accepted. New Rates: \$47.00, PA Rate: \$23.50

#### Tall Chief RV Resort

Fall City WA Reservations required. Book at RVontheGo.com with code PA22.

#### Goose Creek RV Park

Wilbur, WA

Open April 1st - Oct 31st. PA valid 2 nights max. PA not valid during holidays, holiday weekends and one week before & after the holiday. PA not valid on the 3 pull thru sites (only for RVs over 30 ft). Reservations by phone only. PA not valid with an online reservation. Drive-ups welcome, but not guaranteed. New Rates: \$36.00 - \$43.00

PA Rates: \$18.00 - \$21.50

#### WISCONSIN

#### Blackhawk RV Campground

Milton, WI

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Milton, WI

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#### **Terrace View Campsites**

Tomahawk, WI

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### Yogi Bear TM Camp-Resort & Waterplayground

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Valle de Guadalupe, BCN
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another discount or special offer. RV
must be 15 years or newer and in good
condition (older RV's at management's
discretion).

New Rates: \$49.00 - \$69.00 PA Rates: \$24.50 - \$34.50

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## Exploring the Trail

Text & photos by Barbara Oliver



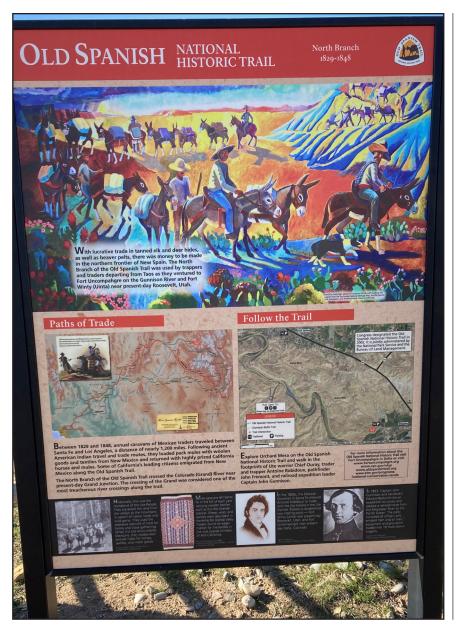
It was considered the longest, crookedest, most grueling pack mule route in the history of America... the Old Spanish Trail.

The Old Spanish Trail traversed New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona, Utah, Nevada and California. It consisted of four routes; the North Branch, Northern Route, Armijo Route and Mojave Road with all eventually coming together in California.

Approximately 2,700 miles long, the trail ran through high mountains

and deep canyons. Dramatically changing terrain and climate posed major challenges. Although different routes were used from trip to trip, depending on the weather and water source, many caravans lost their way, suffered from thirst and were even forced to eat some of their mules when supplies ran out.

It is thought that early explorations began in 1598 by Spanish explorers and continued until the mid-1850s, with the last twenty years used extensively by pack trains. The trail was important because it established a



demanding but stable trade route with California. Also important to making a successful trip along the Old Spanish Trail was sound animals, good packing equipment and a capable crew. Packers were always in demand and utilized a variety of skills and mules had incredible strength and endurance.

Beginning in the mid-1840s, new routes such as wagon roads, carried troops fighting in the war, pioneers bound for California and miners seeking to join the gold rush. By 1869, a rail route connected the plains of the Midwest and San Francisco Bay. Portions of the Old Spanish Trail evolved into wagon roads for local travelers and thus began the end of the days of the crosscountry mule caravans.

We have explored and walked along parts of the Old Spanish Trail here in Colorado. We can sometimes vision those men and mules kicking up a little dust cloud, trudging along the trail. In 2002, Congress designated that dusty trail, The Old Spanish National Historic Trail.





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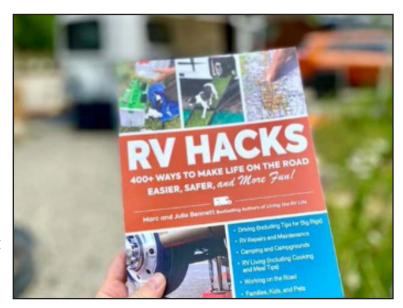


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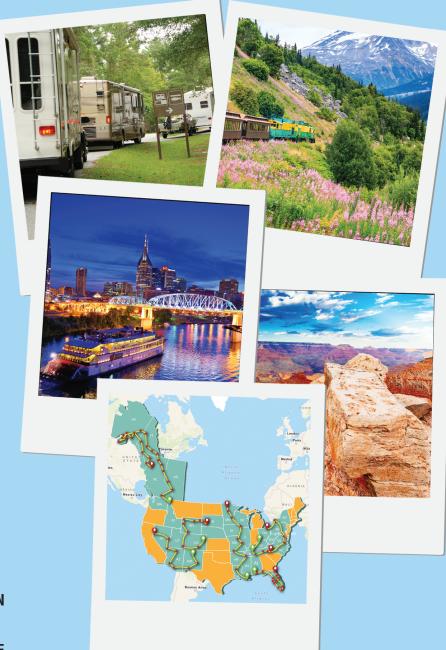
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**National Celery Month** 

3/1 - Fat Tuesday 3/17 - St. Patrick's Day
3/6 - National Oreo Cookie Day 3/22 - National Goof Off Day
3/13 - Daylight Savings Time Begins 3/24 - National Cheesesteak Day

#### **APRIL**

**Keep America Beautiful Month** 

4/5 - Deep Dish Pizza Day
4/17 - Easter
4/7 - National Burrito Day
4/20 - Earth Day
4/10 - National Pet Day
4/28 - Kiss Your Mate Day

#### MAY

#### **National Barbecue Month**

5/5 - Cinco de Mayo 5/13 - Friday the 13th
5/8 - Mother's Day 5/21 - Armed Forces Day
5/9 - Lost Sock Memorial Day 5/30 - Memorial Day

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