

# Park City's Top 25 Summer Activities

## 1. MOUNTAIN/ROAD BIKING

Park City offers some of the best mountain biking or road cycling available. The town's three ski resorts provide lift-served, single- and double-track mountain biking during the summer months. With 325+ miles of public trails, visitors can experience mountain excursions ranging from mellow, scenic rides to adrenaline-raising thrills on steeper terrain. Road cyclists can enjoy picturesque rides through Park City's historic district or on the country roads that meander through nearby farming communities.

## 2. OUTDOOR CONCERTS

During the summer, Park City comes alive with outdoor concerts and music festivals. Park City offers music to suit all listeners in settings ranging from the the Snow Park Lodge Outdoor Amphitheatre at Deer Valley Resort, to the Forum at The Canyons Resort, or a club on Historic Main Street. Visitors can catch the best local talent at free Wednesday night concerts at Deer Valley Resort or see the biggest names in the industry at the annual Park City Jazz Festival.

## 3. GOLF

Park City's golf courses are among the best in the West and certainly some of the most scenic. A total of 13 golf courses—seven public courses and six private—are located within a 20-mile radius of the town. When players tee up at this altitude, they'll notice the ball soaring further than ever before.

## 4. ZIPRIDER®

This thrilling activity, developed at Park City Mountain Resort and located on its mountainside, offers an exhilarating 60-second ride that suspends riders 110 feet off the ground at its highest point and reaches speeds up to 45 mph. Park City Mountain Resort doubled their capacity by adding two new lines in 2004. The Utah Olympic Park installed two sets of two lines at their unique setting later that same summer, and their Xtreme Zipline is the World's steepest, flying at 50 mph along the length of the 120 meter ski jump.

## 5. ALPINE SLIDE

What visitor, young or old, would pass up speeding down the mountain on an alpine slide? Seated in sleds, passengers can tranquilly glide down the slopes or zoom down the half-mile parallel tracks, racing friends along the way. Park City Mountain Resort recently doubled their number of tracks, and the Utah Olympic Park opened their European style "Quicksilver" slide in the summer of 2005.

## 6. ART AND CULTURE

Park City is a thriving, world-renowned art community. Browse through our local galleries, where you'll find the

best from local artists and designers, or take in a theatre or dance performance at the Eccles Center or the Egyptian Theatre. August brings the annual Kimball Arts Festival and Park City Jazz Festival.

## 7. SPAS

After a hard day of outdoor adventure, make time for some pampering. Park City features many world-class, luxury spas that specialize in a vast array of invigorating massages and specialized treatments.

## 8. ALPINE COASTER

One of only three alpine coasters in the US, this rollercoaster of a ride at Park City Mountain Resort zips and loops for over a mile and sends you down a metal track at 30 mph. Built in 2006, the coaster delivers a thrill in the summer and winter.

## 9. WATER SPORTS

Water enthusiasts can enjoy many aquatic sports at one of several nearby reservoirs. Jordanelle Reservoir, just a few miles from the heart of Park City, provides boat and personal watercraft rentals, guided fishing, wakeboard and water ski lessons and camping facilities. Other nearby reservoirs include Deer Creek, Echo and Rockport, each within a 20-mile radius of Park City.

## 10. HISTORIC TOURS

From mining silver to Olympic gold, discover all the aspects that make historic Park City one of the most unique resort destinations in the United States. At the Utah Olympic Park's Alf Engen Ski Museum, see Park City's skiing history that qualified it as a venue for the 2002 Winter Olympics or tour the town's Olympic venues. The Park City Museum, located at 333 Main Street, offers guided walking tours that explore the unique mining and skiing history along Main Street.

## 11. GATHERINGS

Park City's alpine setting is the ideal choice for weddings, family reunions and conventions. More than 25 meeting and convention properties accommodate groups of 10 to 350, at a full range of levels and prices to suit every small-to mid-size gathering. Park City's breathtaking setting and available activities make it a venue your attendees will never forget.

## 12. DINING

Park City's many award-winning restaurants are among the finest in the West, reflecting several different culinary styles and influences. More than 100 options provide an answer to every taste, mood and budget—and everything's within walking distance or a short bus ride away.

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### 13. NIGHTLIFE

After dinner you may want to wind down with an evening of contemporary jazz or wind it up at hot, local dance clubs. There are no bedtimes around here.

### 14. OLYMPIC ADVENTURE PARK

Take flight as you soar down the world's steepest Zipline, feel the rush as you navigate the Park's alpine slide the "Quicksilver," or find excitement watching a freestyle aerial show every Saturday. This park gives the whole family the opportunity to be an Olympic athlete for a day.

### 15. WHEELED BOBSLED RIDES

The 2002 Olympic Winter Games are over but the venues are open for Park City visitors to have their own Olympic experience, even in the summertime. Experience one of the biggest thrills imaginable by racing down the Olympic track at 70 mph on a wheeled bobsled ride!

### 16. LEARN-TO CAMPS/CLINICS

For visitors seeking the full experience, the Utah Olympic Park provides an array of programs all season long. With plastic runways on the ski jumps, a 750,000-gallon freestyle aerials training pool, the UOP offers summer camps in freestyle aerials and ski jumping for introductory, developmental and high-performance athletes.

### 17. FLY-FISHING

Try your luck casting for rainbow trout in one of our crystalline rivers or streams. Grab some waders and a rod and spend an afternoon—or a week—tapping your line across mountain waters such as Utah's famed blue-ribbon trout stream, the Provo River.

### 18. HIKING

Whether with friends or family or on a guided tour, hiking is a perfect way to enjoy the mountains surrounding Park City. Hikers are welcome on any section of Park City's 325+ miles of public trails. Visitors can enjoy scenic strolls on paved trails or adventurous hikes through steep and rocky terrain. Each of the area ski resorts offer lift-served hiking in the summertime.

### 19. TENNIS

Two outdoor public courts are located in City Park and a slew of additional outdoor courts are available for paid use at the Park City Racquet Club or Silver Mountain Sports Club and Spa.

### 20. HORSEBACK RIDES

Another way to enjoy Park City's mountain setting is on horseback. Meander through stands of aspens and pines or gallop your horse through an open field. Several local stables offer horseback guided tours for equestrians of all abilities, while daily to seasonal horse rentals are available for the more experienced riders.

### 21. SHOPPING

Park City is also a great place for another favorite pastime: shopping. Our merchants specialize in everything from art collectibles and handmade furniture to Western antiques and wildlife photography. With bookstores, fashion boutiques and the Tanger Outlet Center, even the most discerning shopper is guaranteed great finds.

### 22. MOVIES

Park City offers movie lovers much more than the Sundance Film Festival every January. In the summertime, visitors can take in a movie at two local cinemas or curl up in a blanket to watch free Friday night films at City Park sponsored by the Sundance Institute.

### 23. HOT-AIR BALLOONING

See Park City from a bird's-eye view in a hot-air balloon. With a number of hot-air balloon companies offering flights of varying lengths, the surrounding scenery is sure to take your breath away. Start the day off right by catching a flight that includes a continental breakfast or a champagne toast.

### 24. SKATEBOARDING/ROLLERBLADING

Park City is home to one of the best outdoor skateboard parks around. Featuring the 20,000 square foot skate park and miles of paved trails, Park City is a great place to bring your board or blades. This is a favorite of the editors of Transworld Skateboard Magazine.

### 25. ROCK CLIMBING

Climbing opportunities abound in and around Park City. From the very novice to veteran climbers, there is a route for everyone. Hone your skills on the Climbing Wall at Park City Mountain Resort or pick one of the many bolted routes in the nearby Uinta Mountain Range.

For more information on these and many other Park City activities, visit [www.parkcityinfo.com](http://www.parkcityinfo.com).

# Park City's Resorts At-A-Glance

## THE CANYONS RESORT

[www.thecanyons.com](http://www.thecanyons.com)

- Scheduled season: Mid-June through the end of September.  
Flight of The Canyons gondola open Wednesday through Sunday.
- Media contact: Elizabeth Dowd, 435-615-3308 (edowd@thecanyons.com).
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| Summit Elevation: | 9,990 ft. | Vertical drop: | 3,190 ft.     |
| Base Elevation:   | 6,800 ft. | Open Terrain:  | 20-plus miles |
- Summer activities: Scenic rides on the Flight of The Canyons gondola, lift-served hiking and mountain biking, alpine disc golf, kids summer camp, horseback riding, outdoor seated lunch at Red Pine Café, hot-air ballooning, farmer's market, venue for the Park City Food and Wine Classic, pampering spa treatments and free outdoor concerts on Saturday evenings.

## PARK CITY MOUNTAIN RESORT

[www.parkcitymountain.com](http://www.parkcitymountain.com)

- Scheduled season: Memorial Day weekend through mid-October; seven days a week.
- Media contact: Paula Fabel, 435-647-5410 (paulaf@pcmr.com).
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| Summit Elevation: | 10,000 ft. | Vertical Drop: | 3,100 ft.     |
| Base Elevation:   | 6,900 ft.  | Open Terrain:  | 30-plus miles |
- Summer activities: Alpine Coaster, Alpine Slide, ZipRider,<sup>®</sup> climbing wall, lift-served mountain biking and hiking, human maze, miniature golf, horseback riding, Legacy Launcher, Little Miners Park and lift-served access to Main Street.

## DEER VALLEY RESORT

[www.deervalley.com](http://www.deervalley.com)

- Scheduled season: June 13 through Labor Day; seven days a week.  
Then weekends only through September 14, weather permitting.
- Media contact: Erin Grady, 435-645-6522 (egrady@deervalley.com).
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| Summit Elevation: | 9,400 ft. | Biking/Hiking Vertical Drop: | 1,300 ft. |
| Base Elevation:   | 8,100 ft. | Open Terrain:                | 50 miles  |
- Summer activities: Lift-served mountain biking and hiking, outdoor symphony concerts, summer kids adventure camp and dining at the Royal Street Café.

## UTAH OLYMPIC PARK

[www.olymparks.com](http://www.olymparks.com)

- Scheduled season: Full activities available June 14 through August 17; seven days a week.  
Then weekends only through mid-October.  
Museums and tours available seven days a week, year-round.
- Media contact: Linda Jager, 435-658-4247 (linda.jager@olymparks.com).
- The 389-acre Utah Olympic Park served as the Olympic competition site for ski jumping and the sliding sports of bobsled, skeleton and luge. The facility includes six Nordic jumps (K10-K120), a 1,335-meter sliding track, 750,000-gallon freestyle aerials summer pool, Joe Quinney Winter Sports Center and Alf Engen Ski Museum.
- Summer activities: Guided tours, bobsled rides on wheels at 70 miles per hour, freestyle aerial shows and public introductory sports camps, Olympic athletes in training, ski jumping on a plastic surface, Xtreme and Ultra-Ziplines, Quicksilver Alpine Slide, 2002 Olympic Winter Games exhibit and Alf Engen Ski Museum.

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# Park City's Facts and Figures

## LOCATION

Park City is located in Utah's Summit County, 35 minutes east of the Salt Lake City International Airport via a six-lane interstate highway (I-80). Park City proper measures two miles from end to end. Just five miles separate The Canyons Resort and Deer Valley Resort, with Park City Mountain Resort between the two.

## ACCESS

Salt Lake City International Airport is served by 15 airlines with more than 950 arrivals and departures daily. Major airlines include America West, American, Continental, Delta, Frontier, JetBlue, Northwest, SkyWest, Southwest and United.

Park City is easy to reach by car. Mileage from major western cities: Boise - 370; Denver - 484; Las Vegas - 463; Los Angeles - 690; Phoenix - 678; San Francisco - 782. Park City is a convenient stop to or from Yellowstone National Park, any of the state's five national parks or Utah's many national forests and monuments.

## GEOGRAPHIC SETTING

Park City is located in the heart of the Wasatch Mountains, part of the Rocky Mountain Range. The nearby Wasatch-Cache National Forest offers opportunities for backpacking, hiking, camping and fishing.

## ELEVATION

Within the city limits, altitudes range from 6,720 ft. to 8,460 ft. above sea level, while the surrounding Wasatch Mountains rise to over 10,000 ft.

## POPULATION

More than 7,000 residents live in Park City proper year-round, while more than 35,000 people live in Summit County.

## CLIMATE

Park City's summers are cool, dry and mild. The average summer high is 80 degrees Fahrenheit. Park City's humidity is very low which makes the summer season comfortable and pleasant.

## AREA TRANSPORTATION

Park City operates a FREE area-wide bus service from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Five to fifteen minute frequency between Park City Mountain Resort, Historic Main Street, Lower Deer Valley and various Park City neighborhoods is provided. A trolley operates on Historic Main Street from 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. daily. Free bus service to Kimball Junction operates hourly, from 7:40 a.m. until 8:40 p.m., servicing Park City's outlying areas and The Canyons Resort.

## HISTORY

Park City was incorporated as a city in 1884. More than \$400 million in silver was mined from the hills surrounding Park City in its mining heyday, creating 23 millionaires, including George Hearst, father of newspaper publisher William Randolph Hearst. Today, Park City is a unique blend of the old and new. Sixty-four of Park City's buildings are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, many of which are located along the town's Main Street, and more than 1,200 miles of tunnels wind through the surrounding mountains, remnants of the mining era.

## LODGING

A wide range of accommodations are available, from hotel rooms and condominiums to bed & breakfast inns and dormitory rooms. Park City has approximately 6,000 units and rooms—or 23,000 pillows—to accommodate guests. (There are more than 25 meeting properties, with over 3,000 committable rooms.)

## RESTAURANTS

Park City has more than 100 restaurants, together representing a full range of cuisine and atmospheres, with 32 offering al fresco dining in the summer. Cuisine includes Mexican, Japanese, Chinese, Thai, Italian, French, Austrian, Southwestern and American Continental.

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## SHOPPING

Park City has more than 100 shops and boutiques in four shopping districts: Historic Main Street; Prospector or “North of Main” district; the new Redstone pedestrian mall; and the Tanger Outlet Center where 65 manufacturer outlets are located. The latter two are located near Kimball Junction, Exit 145 off of I-80.

## LIQUOR

Park City has more than two dozen bars/clubs and three liquor stores. Utah’s legal drinking age is 21. Bars, known as “private clubs,” may charge a nominal membership fee. Members can host up to seven guests. Most restaurants have full liquor service available with dining.

## OTHER FACTS

- Cycling, hiking and trail running enthusiasts can find 75-plus trails, covering more than 325 miles.
- Park City offers more than 40 outdoor concerts each summer.
- The surrounding area boasts more than 90 mountain lakes.
- Park City hosted one-third of all medal events for the 2002 Olympic Winter Games.
- Park City has been the home of the U.S. Ski Team since 1974 and became home of the U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association in 1988.
- Remnants of the mining era, more than 1,200 miles of tunnels wind through the surrounding mountains, more than the New York City subway system.

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# A Historic Town Called Park City

## VISITORS DISCOVER MIXTURES OF HISTORIC SILVER AND OLYMPIC GOLD

Park City, Utah, was put on the world map as it helped host the 2002 Olympic Winter Games, deemed the most successful Winter Olympics ever. Hundreds of thousands of visitors from around the world filled the town during those 17 days to watch the world's best athletes compete for Olympic gold. Yet more than 130 years ago, a rush of people flocked to Park City seeking a different precious metal—silver. The town known across the world then and now was able to delight both audiences.

Having an Olympic legacy is a claim few can own. Park City invested millions of dollars for the 2002 Games, enhancing the town and its facilities for both athletes and the general public. The best part about that investment is it lets athletes train and compete at some of the world's most state-of-the-art facilities, while giving visitors a chance to personally experience the Olympic thrills for years to come—summer or winter.

"During the 2002 Olympics, the world saw what our ski town has to offer, and thousands more came this winter to try it out," said Bill Malone, executive director for the Park City Chamber & Visitors Bureau. "The summer side of Park City is equally world class and many of those Olympic experiences can still be shared."

"The hills athletes raced down on skis or snowboards can be experienced alternatively via lift-served mountain biking and hiking at our three resorts all located within five miles of each other. And, at the Utah Olympic Park (UOP), people can speed down the bobsled and luge track on wheeled versions of the sleds."

If people missed the excitement of watching freestyle aerials during the Olympics, summers let the public see the athletes in action, showing off their flips and twists

while landing with skis into a 750,000-gallon summer training pool at the UOP. Or visitors can test their own skills in freestyle aerials clinics offered at the Park.

"A town richly rooted in mining history has effectively evolved into an ideal year-round mountain resort destination," Malone said. "With all that is available every season, Park City has proven itself as providing everything vacationers could ever want."

The mountains' abundant silver veins attracted adventurers from around the world in the late 1860s. During its mining height, those mountains surrounding Park City yielded \$400 million in silver and created 23 millionaires, including the father of newspaper publisher William Randolph Hearst.

However, with falling mineral prices in the 1930s, the boom years ended and residents began "mining" the treasure on the mountains, discovering what would later be termed The Greatest Snow On Earth.™

A location depicted perfectly in an early settler's historic journal entry as a "veritable park" has attracted people from around the globe for years and will continue to do so for years to come.

The Visitor Information Center, located at the junction of Highway 224 and Olympic Parkway as visitors exit I-80, offers endless information on the town and its surrounding area, including lodging and dining options, activities, special events and history.

For more information on Park City's colorful past and year-round offerings, visit [www.parkcityinfo.com](http://www.parkcityinfo.com) or call the Park City Chamber & Visitors Bureau at (800) 453-1360.

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