

# *The Silverton*

A COAL FIRED STEAM OPERATED  
NARROW GAUGE TRAIN EST. 1881

DURANGO & SILVERTON NARROW GAUGE RAILROAD  
DURANGO, COLORADO 81301 (303) 247-2733



Ride the Original  
**Narrow Gauge**  
**SILVERTON TRAIN**

DURANGO TO SILVERTON, COLORADO

April 30 thru Oct. 30

**1994**



# ALL ABOARD

for an 1882 adventure  
ON THE SILVERTON TRAIN

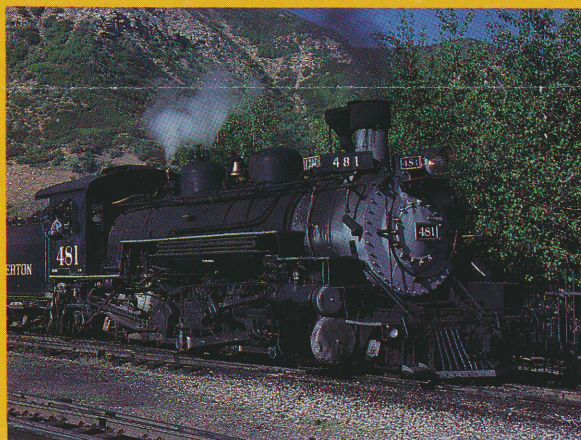
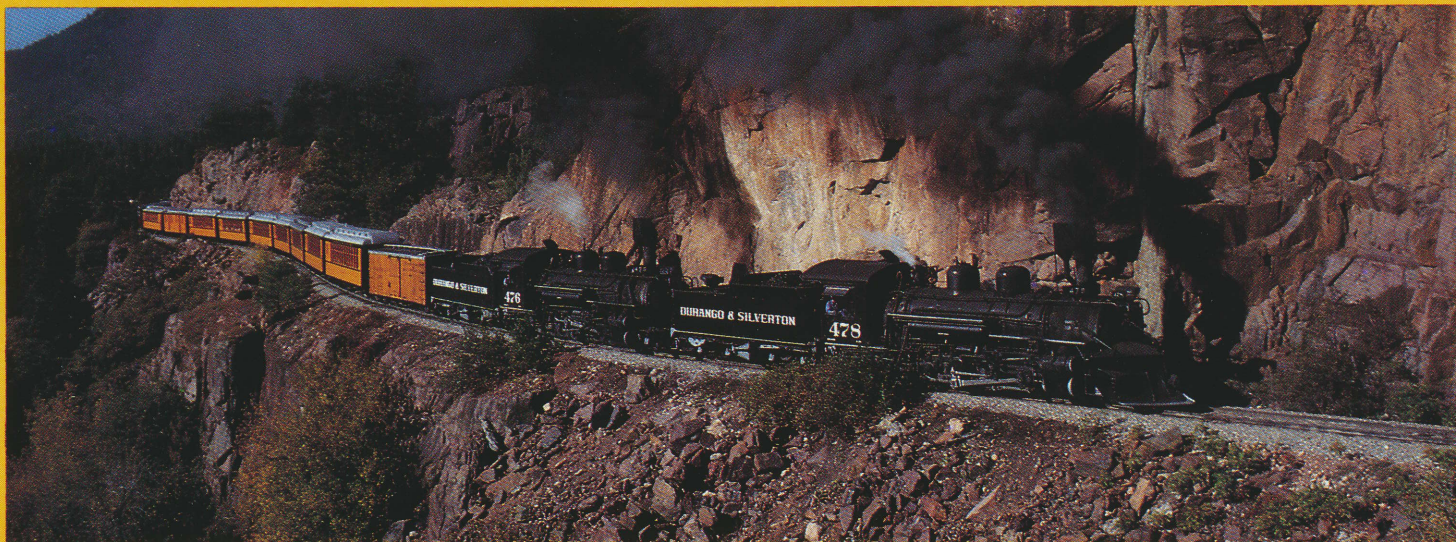
Durango was founded by the Denver & Rio Grande Railway in 1879. The Railroad arrived in Durango on August 5, 1881. Construction began on the line in the fall of 1881 and was completed to Silverton in July of 1882. It was constructed to haul mine ores, primarily gold and silver, from the San Juan mountains. It is estimated that over \$300 million in precious metals rode this route. During the late 1960's the Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad (D&RGW) was allowed abandonment of the tracks from Antonito, Colorado to Durango, thereby cutting Durango off from the balance of the D&RGW system. After this the only narrow gauge trackage remaining was the 45 miles from Durango to Silverton.

The equipment used to pull the trains consists of 100% coal-fired, steam-operated locomotives. These authentic locomotives were manufactured by the American Locomotive Works in 1923 or Baldwin Locomotive Works in 1925. All of these locomotives were originally manufactured for the D&RGW. The coaches are of the 1880 type . . . many of them being built in the 1880's. Open gondola cars are also available.

The trains serve Tall Timber Resort as well as additional flag stops at Needleton and Elk Park (for backpackers, fishermen and hikers to get on or off the trains). The trains also stop twice northbound for water and once returning to Durango. On occasion, the trains also stop en route to or from Silverton to load or unload freight at various points along the route.

THE SIGHTS AND SCENERY YOU ENCOUNTER ON YOUR TRIP THROUGH THE SAN JUAN NATIONAL FOREST ARE TRULY SPECTACULAR . . . ESPECIALLY THE FALL COLORS. WE AT D&SNG SINCERELY HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR TRIP ON THE SILVERTON TRAIN.





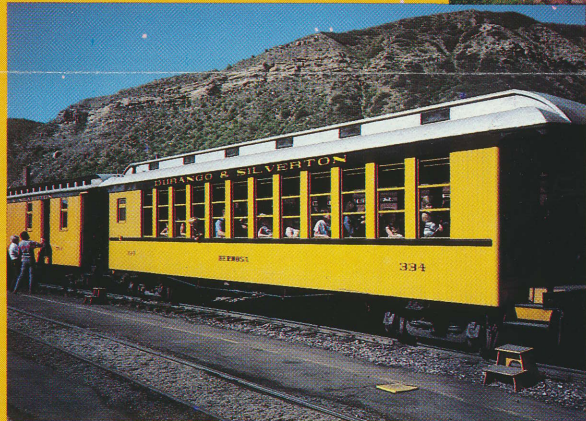
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RAIL CAMP  
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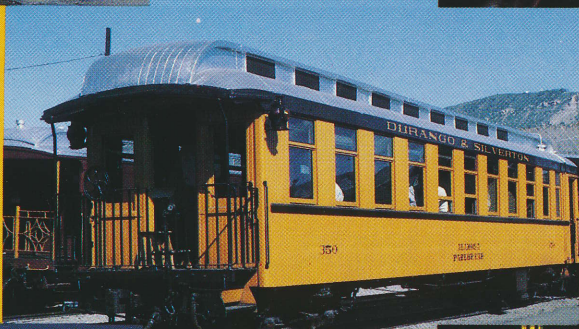
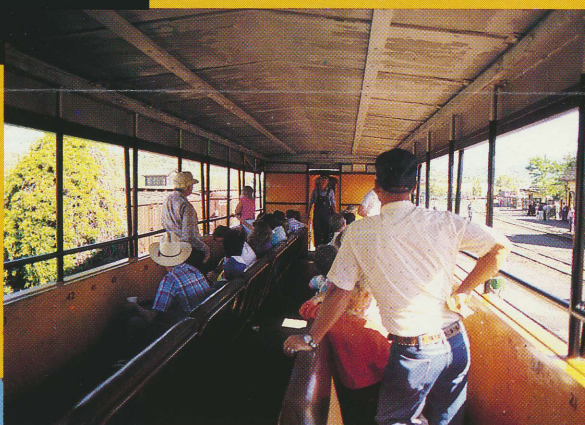
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◀ GONDOLA ▶

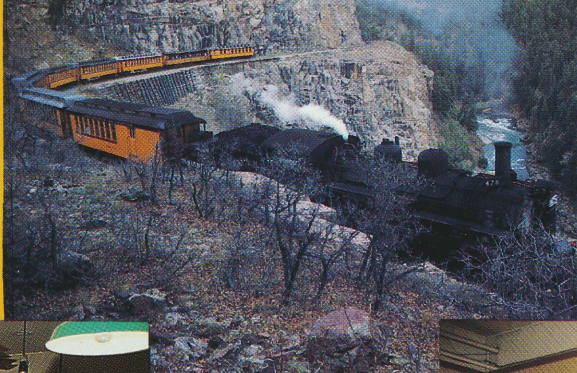
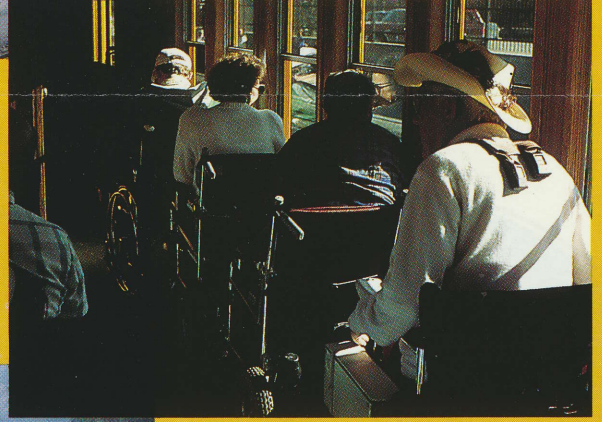
▼ PARLOR CAR







◀ HANDICAP ▶



◀ DEPOT ▶





## MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW!

Because thousands of vacationers and railroad enthusiasts ride the Silverton train each year it is always wise to make reservations as far in advance as possible. Use the convenient form below. PLEASE READ RESERVATIONS PANEL FOR FULL INFORMATION. Tickets will be mailed to you or held at the station, whichever you prefer. (Due to the long lines at the station, we suggest you purchase your tickets by mail for your convenience.)

### ROUND TRIP FARES: Silverton Trains 1994

Adults and Children, 12 or older .....	<b>\$42.70*</b>
Children, ages 5 through 11 .....	<b>\$21.45*</b>
Parlor Car (21 yrs. min. age) .....	<b>\$73.40*</b>
Caboose (Adults) .....	<b>\$67.85*</b>

### ROUND TRIP CASCADE CANYON FARES:

Adults and Children, 12 or older .....	<b>\$36.15*</b>
Children, ages 5 through 11 .....	<b>\$18.05*</b>
Parlor Car (21 yrs. min. age) .....	<b>\$60.40*</b>
Caboose (Adults) .....	<b>\$55.80*</b>

\*Pending P.U.C. approval

## DURANGO TICKET OFFICE PHONE 303-247-2733

CUT ALONG DOTTED LINE

MAIL TO: DURANGO & SILVERTON NARROW GAUGE R. R. CO.

C 479 MAIN AVENUE  
DURANGO, COLORADO 81301

Please make the following Silverton Train reservations:

ADULTS and CHILDREN 12 and OLDER .....

number

CHILDREN 11 OR YOUNGER .....

number

(Children under 5 not occupying seats do not require tickets)

Preferred date .....

Dep. Time

Alternate date .....

Dep. Time

CHECK ONE:  Regular Coach

Open Gondola Coach

Parlor Car  
(Adults only)

CHECK ONE:  Mail Tickets

Hold tickets for pick up

(Advance Payment Required)

Name .....

Address .....

City .....

State .....

Zip .....

ENCLOSE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO D&SNG RAILROAD

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# ADDITIONAL

## SERVICES OFFERED BY

# D&SNG

- Our parking lot is conveniently located close to the Durango depot — enter beside McDonald's. The price for the parking lot is as follows:  
Cars . . . \$6.00      RV's and Buses. . . \$8.00
- The Cinco Animas and Nomad are historic private cars, and are available for charter for private parties, maximum 18-25 seats. For a different railroading experience, our newly restored 1886 Caboose, "The 0500", is available for individual or private charter. Seats up to 8 passengers. Also charter trains are available. Please check with the Durango Depot for availability, price, and further information.
- ROUND TRIP LAYOVER IN SILVERTON:** You may purchase a round trip ticket in Durango to Silverton and lay over in Silverton as many nights as you like. Please notify the Silverton Agent at least 2 1/2 hours prior to the time you plan to depart.
- You will be able to purchase tickets for trains departing Durango from the Silverton Agent from June 6 thru September 24, 1994.
- A bus from Silverton to Durango and return by train is available June 6 thru August 19 as follows:

Bus boarding time is 8:00 AM, departing Silverton at 8:15 AM. Train leaves Durango at 10:10 AM, arriving Silverton at 1:30 PM. Inquire Silverton Depot — 303/387-5416

### SILVERTON DEPOT HOURS

Dates	Open	Close
June 6 - September 24 .....	7:45 AM 9:45 AM	8:45 AM 4:15 PM

- To make your trip through the beautiful San Juan National Forest more enjoyable, may we suggest you purchase a copy of "Cinders & Smoke" a Mile by Mile guide of the trip, plus historical information about the railroad including geological information. "Cinders & Smoke" and "Durango & Silverton Traveler's Guide" booklet are available on the train, in the Depot Gift Shop and The Train Store.
- The Durango Depot Gift Shop offers exclusive souvenir items, including two 24-minute video tapes narrated by C.W. McCall, titled, "The Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad" and "Rebirth of a Locomotive," the story of rebuilding a narrow gauge locomotive.



# DURANGO & SILVERTON TRAIN SCHEDULE

(April 30, 1994 thru Oct. 30, 1994)

Train	Dates Operating	Boarding Times	Departure Time	Arrival Time
San Juan Express	June 13 thru Aug. 19	6:30 - 7:00 A.M.	Depart Durango Depart Silverton	10:45 A.M. 4:05 P.M.
First Silverton Train	April 30 thru Oct. 16	7:30 - 8:00 A.M.	Depart Durango Depart Silverton	11:45 A.M. 5:25 P.M.
Second Silverton Train	May 16 thru Oct. 30	8:30 - 8:45 A.M.	Depart Durango Depart Silverton	12:40 P.M. 6:25 P.M.
Third Silverton Train	June 6 thru Aug. 19 Sept. 3 thru Sept. 24	9:15 - 9:45 A.M.	Depart Durango Depart Silverton	1:30 P.M. 7:10 P.M.
Cascade Canyon Train*	July 11 thru Aug. 12 Monday-Friday Only	4:10 - 4:30 P.M.	Depart Durango	9:40 P.M.
Spring Cascade Train	April 16 thru April 29	9:15 - 9:45 A.M.	Depart Durango	3:00 P.M.
Winter Holiday Train	Nov. 23 thru Jan. 1	9:15 - 9:45 A.M.	Depart Durango	3:00 P.M.

\*This train goes to Cascade Canyon (little over half way to Silverton and returns to Durango).

**TRIP DISTANCES:** Round Trip to Silverton - 90 miles  
Round Trip to Cascade Canyon - 62 miles

Refreshments and snacks are available on all trains. Alcoholic beverages are available on the Parlor Car and the Cascade Canyon Train.  
COLORADO STATE LAW 12-45-128(h) PROHIBITS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BEING TAKEN ABOARD THE TRAIN.  
Our through service to Silverton will resume Saturday, April 29, 1995.

**PARLOR CAR OPERATES DAILY ON THE 8:30 A.M. TRAIN APRIL 30 THRU MAY 15 & OPERATES DAILY ON THE 9:15 A.M. TRAIN MAY 16 THRU OCT. 30. INQUIRE AS TO OTHER TIMES.**  
**PLEASE INQUIRE ABOUT OUR BUS SERVICE TO AND FROM SILVERTON — RESERVATIONS REQUIRED.**

**GIFT CERTIFICATES ARE AVAILABLE FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE SCHEDULES. CONTACT DURANGO DEPOT.**

# ENJOYMENT ON THE

# D&SNG

## RESERVATIONS — IMPORTANT

Advance ticket sales are recommended and can be made by mail or by telephone to the ticket office in Durango (303-247-2733).

Due to the popularity of the train trip passengers are strongly encouraged to make reservations 4 to 6 weeks prior to the trip.

RESERVATIONS MAY BE PAID BY M.C., VISA OR DISCOVER CREDIT CARDS BY PHONE OR BY CHECK PREPAID 30 DAYS IN ADVANCE THROUGH THE MAIL.

RESERVATIONS NOT PAID FOR AND MADE LESS THAN 30 DAYS IN ADVANCE WILL BE HELD UNTIL 6:00 P.M. THE EVENING PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE TRAIN TRIP. RESERVATIONS NOT PAID FOR BY 6:00 P.M. THE EVENING PRIOR TO THE TRAIN TRIP WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY CANCELLED.

Prepaid tickets being held must be claimed at the WILL CALL TICKET WINDOW no later than 45 minutes prior to train time.

All reservations or tickets not claimed as specified above will be automatically cancelled and released for immediate sale to the waiting general public.

**BOARDING TIMES FOR ALL TRAINS ARE SPECIFIED AND RIGIDLY FOLLOWED. TICKETS WILL NOT BE HONORED IF TICKET-HOLDERS ARE NOT SEATED ON TRAIN BY FINAL BOARDING TIMES. PLEASE BOARD ON TIME!**

RESERVATIONS ARE MADE BY CAR NUMBER AND SEAT NUMBER. NOTE: TICKETS ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE FROM PERSON TO PERSON AT SILVERTON OR DURANGO. TICKETS ARE NOT REPLACEABLE IF LOST, MISPLACED OR STOLEN.

Reservations for the open gondola cars must be specified (open cars have roof and seats and are open on the sides).

International checks or money orders are not accepted.

One-way reservations are available and may be booked in advance. Passengers booking one way passage must provide their own transportation from Silverton. One-way tickets Silverton to Durango are sold by ticket agent at Silverton Depot on a first come, first served basis and cannot be reserved in advance.

## DURANGO TICKET OFFICE HOURS

Dates	Open	Close
April 30 thru Aug. 19	6:00 A.M.	9:00 P.M.
Aug. 20 thru Oct. 30	7:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Oct. 31 thru April 28	8:00 A.M.	5:00 P.M.

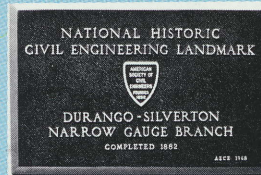
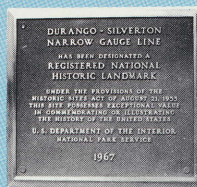
The weather in the mountains can change rapidly. Please take a sweater or jacket.

**PLEASE REFER TO THE TRAIN SCHEDULE IN THIS BROCHURE FOR BOARDING TIMES, DEPARTURE TIMES, ETC.**

**TOURS THROUGH THE DURANGO YARD ARE AVAILABLE DAILY MAY THROUGH OCTOBER, \$5.00 PER ADULT, \$2.50 PER CHILD. PLEASE INQUIRE AT THE INFORMATION COUNTER IN THE DEPOT.**

A Registered National  
Historical Landmark

A National Civil  
Engineering Landmark





# ENJOY THE PARLOR CAR "ALAMOSA"

The Alamosa Parlor Car was built as a coach in 1880 by Jackson & Sharp. It served in various types of use until 1937 when it was rebuilt as a Parlor-Buffer Car and named "Alamosa."

It served proudly in this role until the discontinuance of the San Juan Express in 1951.

In 1957, it was rebuilt into a coach and numbered 350 for use on The Silverton, returning to its original purpose as a coach.

Prior to the first day of operation, May 23, 1981, under the ownership of the D&SNG, 350 again was given its name . . . ALAMOSA.

In the fall of 1981, it was rebuilt as a parlor car with a bar being built out of matching Ash wood which compliments the interior of the 114-year-old car. It is now running daily as the last car of the train serving your favorite alcoholic beverage to parlor car ticket holders ONLY.

The Management of the D&SNG feels that you will truly enjoy a ride on the Alamosa Parlor Car. This unique and historical car is available for charter if no seats have been sold for the requested day. The car offers "first class" service, seating 28 adults (21 years minimum age). **Layover privileges do not apply to Parlor Car ticket holders. ONLY PARLOR CAR TICKET HOLDERS MAY ENTER THE PARLOR CAR.** Contact the Depot for additional information.

Parlor Car also runs on Winter Train.

Smoking is not allowed in Parlor Car.



# WINTER HOLIDAYS ON *The Silverton*



Join us on our Winter Holiday Train for a truly winter wonderland trip aboard America's most popular train. Countless snowscapes and breathtaking winter beauty await you and the silence is broken only by the sound of an operating steam locomotive.

## DEPARTING DAILY

from the historic train depot downtown Durango to the wilderness area of Cascade Canyon. A 52 mile holiday excursion.

DEPARTING	ARRIVE
Durango—10:00 a.m.	Cascade Canyon Wye.—12:02 p.m.
Cascade Canyon Wye.—1:00 p.m.	Durango—3:00 p.m.

**NOVEMBER 23 thru JANUARY 1, 1995**  
(except December 24 & 25)



# ENJOYMENT ON THE D&SNG

**BAGGAGE:** Baggage checking service is not available. Passengers may take two average sized suitcases or handbags, or in lieu thereof, one back pack and one bedroll, or one rolled and secured sleeping bag. A box car is provided for transporting these items.

**FILM AND TRAIN SOUVENIRS:** Film, train souvenirs, beverages and light snacks are available in concession cars on all trains and in the Durango Depot Gift Shop, which will remain open after the trains return.

**EXCEPTIONAL SERVICES:** Those passengers requiring "lift facilities" will be accommodated by a coach that has been equipped for their needs. The interior design of this coach allows adequate space for unrestricted movement in the handicapped equipped restroom and seating area and will accommodate several wheelchairs. Advance reservations are required. Please contact the Depot for additional information.

**PETS:** For obvious reasons, no pets can be carried on train. Arrangements may be made for boarding same in Durango with private kennels. Kennels require written proof of current immunizations. Please do not leave your pets unattended in your automobile or tied to the outside of your vehicle.

**TICKET REFUNDS:** Unused tickets will be refunded for the difference between amount paid and the charge for service performed, less a reserved space cancellation charge of \$10.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child.

**DELAYS:** While every effort is made to maintain our train and bus schedules, mechanical and weather condition delays may arise. The Durango & Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad will not be held liable for any delays whatever the cause.

**CINDERS: THIS TRAIN IS COAL—FIRED AND CINDERS ARE PREVALENT. PASSENGERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN PROTECTION. MAY WE SUGGEST YOU NOT WEAR LIGHT COLORED CLOTHING.**

**LOCAL RADIO:** Tune in KIQX-FM 101.3 early morning and late afternoon for daily train seating availability.