WELCOME TO COLORFUL COLORADO
Located in the South Platte River Valley, Denver is a vibrant metropolis with 300 days of sunny skies and a youthful, happy feel. This guide is here to give you a taste of Denver, but we encourage you to explore. Denver is always growing and changing, which can lead to lots of discoveries even for the locals.

Enjoy! And go explore!

**KEY TO THIS BOOKLET**
- Walking Distance
- A Slight Trek
- Drive / Take a Rideshare Recommended
- Reservations Highly Recommended
**NEARBY RESTAURANTS**

**ZEPS EPIQ Sandwiches** – 1147 Broadway / 303-534-0796
Contemporary, counter-serve eatery turning out big sandwiches piled high with toppings, plus salads.

**Torchy’s Tacos** – 1085 N Broadway / 303-436-1704
Buzzy chain serving Mexican street-food-style tacos in inventive varieties, including breakfast.

**Burger Fi** – 1147 Broadway / 720-390-5046
Stylish, eco-minded chain serving grass-fed burgers, plus hot dogs, craft beer, and wine.

**Pieology** – 1147 Broadway / 720-328-2271
Chain pizzeria serving oven-fired pies made with a diverse range of sauces, cheeses, and toppings.

**Leven Deli Co** – 123 West 12th Avenue / 303-325-5691
Go-to neighborhood deli serving drinks/
City O’City – 206 East 13th Ave / 303-831-6443
Bohemian hangout dishing up high-concept vegetarian fare to meat and plant eaters alike.

Cuba Cuba Café & Bar – 1173 Delaware Street / 303-605-2822
Festive setting for traditional Cuban sandwiches plus mojitos, caipirinhas, and more!

DiFranco – 955 North Lincoln Street, Unit D / 720-253-1244
Ryan DiFranco brings Italian to Denver with his chef-driven, quick service restaurant.

Brass Tacks – 1526 Blake Street
A fun new bar, in a haunted building. Try one of their cocktails from a new pouring system.

Tacos Tequila Whiskey – 215 East 7th Ave / 720-458-0989
National award-winning tacos and other authentic modern Mexican food.

Tamayo – 1400 Larimer Street / 720-946-1433
Innovative Mexican plates come out of the kitchen of this chic spot with a vast rooftop deck overlooking Larimer Square (another must-see in Denver).
Euclid Hall Bar and Kitchen – 1317 14th Street / 303-595-4255
High-concept bar bites and carefully sourced beer list in an industrial-modern pub setting. Denver’s old city hall sat across from this bar, and it is rumored more government dealings happened here than at city hall.

TAG Restaurant – 1441 Larimer Street / 303-996-9985
Chef Troy Guard’s eclectic fare and offbeat cocktails in a brick-lined interior with orange lights.

Linger – 2030 West 30th Ave / 303-993-3120
This old mortuary is now a lively restaurant with a rooftop lounge and global small plates.

Bang Up to The Elephant! – 1310 Pearl Street / 303-792-4949
Curry, jerk, and other Caribbean-inspired dishes meet tropical drinks in a light- and plant-filled space.

DAIKON – 211 East 7th Ave / 720-2823459
Fast-casual restaurant that serves the best Vietnamese-style banh mi sandwiches.
**MARKET HALLS**

**Avanti Food & Beverage** – 3200 Pecos Street / 720-269-4778
Newfangled food hall bringing together an ever-rotating cast of gastro-upstarts under one roof with an amazing bar at the center.

**Milk Market** – 1800 Wazee Street / 303-792-8242
An all-local, all-wonderful mix of take-away and dine-in restaurants and bars. With 16 venues to pick from and at the cornerstone of the historic Dairy Block, this venue will give you lots of Instagram-worthy picture opportunities.

**Denver Central Market** – 2669 Larimer Street
Featuring 11 gourmet vendors, the 14,000-square-foot space packs a punch with some of the city’s heaviest hitters of the local culinary scene. Open from 8am to 8pm, with the bar staying open until midnight on the weekends.

**Broadway Market** – 950 Broadway / 720-390-7132
The closest market to the conference’s main grounds is just a short walk south of Ralph L. Carr Judicial Center and The Art Hotel. Has 10 food and drink options and a beer wall with 24 rotating craft taps will have individuals coming back over and over again.
The Original Chubbys – 1231 W 38th Ave / 303-455-9311
Atop burritos, burgers, and fries, green chile has made this counter-serve hole-in-the-wall a legend.

El Taco De Mexico – 714 Santa Fe Drive
Green chile: beloved in Denver since 1985.

My Brother’s Bar – 2376 15th Street / 303-455-9991
The oldest bar in Denver. Laid-back haunt with no sign, serving up burgers and beer in a unique way while classical music plays on the speakers.

Buckhorn Exchange – 1000 Osage Street / 303-534-9505
Denver’s original steakhouse. This National Historic Landmark and Western Museum has been serving the finest in Old West Fare since 1893. Be sure to make your reservation in advance!

Cherry Cricket: Cherry Creek – 2641 East 2nd Ave / 303-322-7666
It’s weathered everything from ownership changes to a major fire, and still the Cricket keeps on hopping. A burger topped with peanut butter and grape jelly wouldn’t be the same anywhere else.

Sushi Den – 1487 South Pearl Street / 303-777-0826
In 1984, Toshi and Yasu Kizaki embarked on a mission to turn this landlocked city into a sanctuary of raw seafood in the Rockies, and three decades later, they’re still going strong.
Hudson Hill – 619 E 13th Ave / 303-832-0776
Intimate lounge serving cocktails, beer, and wine plus a few nibbles in casually cosmopolitan digs. In the morning, they serve amazing coffee and tea beverages as well.

PS Lounge – 3416 E Colfax Ave / 303-320-1200
Dark, cash-only bar known for handing out roses and free shots to diverse clientele.

Forest Room 5 – 2532 15th Street / 303-433-7001
Hip night spot with an artsy, rustic interior & an outdoor area with fire pits & a flowing creek.

The Truffle Table – 2556 15th Street / 303-455-9463
Quaint bar featuring an extensive wine list and flights paired with tapas, fine cheese, and charcuterie.

Union Lodge No. 1 - 1543 Champa Street / 720-389-0447
Slinky bar serving 19th century-inspired cocktails in glam style. Best egg-white drink according to the writer of this booklet.
Finn’s Manor – 2927 Larimer Street
Chic bar featuring craft beer and cocktails, plus a patio with a diverse array of food trucks.

Falling Rock Tap House – 1919 Blake Street / 303-293-8338
Drafts from around the world in a setting decked out with couches, booths, pool tables, and dartboards. What more do you need for a Denver experience?

First Draft Taproom & Kitchen – 1309 26th Street / 303-736-8400
High-tech hangout with a self-service pouring system for beer, wine, and cider.

The Fainting Goat – 846 Broadway / 303-945-2323
Comfy Irish pub with rooftop patio, serving snacks, burgers, and local beer.

Anecdote – 820 North Sherman Street / 720-502-4904
A creative space in Denver serving coffee, café drinks, pastries, beer, wine, and craft cocktails. Come here to get inspired.

Cap City Tavern – 1247 Bannock Street / 720-931-8888
Warm, family-owned locale offering sports on TV, a full bar, and an extensive menu of American food.
**SPEAKEASIES**

**Retrograde** – 530 E 19th Ave / 720-772-7843 📞
Located inside Frozen Matter, go to the freezer door and flip the switch. Someone will come to let you into this old-fashioned speakeasy.

**Williams & Graham** – 3160 Tejon Street, Denver / 303-997-8886 📞
This speakeasy is known for putting Denver’s bar scene on the national radar. Accessed through a bookshelf, you will find an extensive library of spirits, nuanced creations, and warm service. Insider tip: Next door, **Occidental**, will have less of a wait and serve the same drinks at a lower price.

**B&GC** – 245 Columbine Street / 720-925-8598 (TEXT - DO NOT CALL) 📞
Want the true speakeasy experience? Text (DO NOT CALL) 720-925-8598 on the day you wish to go. Meet at Cherry Creek’s hottest hotel, **Halcyon**, where you will find an unmarked door with a light above it and a golden antique-like door bell. You will be lead to a Mad Men era bar, where you can have a drink designed specifically for you.

**Green Russell** – 1422 Larimer Street / 303-893-6505 📞
You’ll be encouraged to embrace the past with rules like no cell phones allowed. To get in, follow the signs to “Wednesday’s Pies.” You’ll come to a fully functioning pie shop. Tell the hostess you are looking for Green Russell.
MICRO-BREWERIES

Great Divide Brewing Company – 2201 Arapahoe Street / 303-296-9460
Described as one of the pioneers of the Denver Brewery scene, Great Divide has become one of the most decorated breweries in American since opening in 1994. Free daily tours of the brewery and tap room are a must!

Denver Beer Company – 1695 Platte Street / 303-689-2337
Have you heard of the farm to table movement? Denver Beer Company is very similar, with beer selection changing with the seasons. Only serving premium artisan ales and lagers, they use fresh ingredients and brew only small batches. Drawing inspiration from the beer gardens of Bavaria, the brewery is designed to be a place where new and old friends can share a table and a pint outdoors.
1695 Platte Street, Denver, CO 80202
303-689-2337

Wynkoop Brewing Company – 1634 18th Street / 303-297-2700
The first craft brewery in Denver, and this writer’s favorite brewery. It opened in 1988, in an area that was considered very sketchy, but today it is one of THE hot spots of Denver. Founded by four recent geology graduates, and one is currently running for president. Someday you may be able to say that you tried a beer made with Rocky Mountain Oysters at the brewery started by a president!

Let’s be honest, Denver is filled with breweries. This is just a sampling, so get out there and sip away. It is the Denver thing to do.
Brown Palace – 321 17th Street / 303-297-3111
The second oldest hotel in Denver is known for service and afternoon tea time. Public Tours are on Wednesday at 3pm or Saturday at 11:30am, but feel free to explore the hotel on your own. Tea is served from 12 to 4pm, and you can enjoy while listening to the grand piano.

Oxford Hotel – 1600 17th Street / 303-628-5400
Opening in 1891, Oxford is the oldest hotel in Denver. While a few things have changed over the years—including the rate increasing from $2 a night, including bath—the feel of the era has not. Feel free to walk and enjoy the Oxford and speak with any of the hotel staff to learn the rich history.

Casa Bonita – 6715 West Colfax, Lakewood, CO / 303-232-5115
Opening in 1974, this is the spot many Coloradoan children spent their birthdays. Made famous by South Park, this spot tends to pique the curiosity of most visitors to Denver. Remember, you aren’t going for the food (although you will be required to purchase a meal); the complimentary sopapillas, delicious margaritas, and indoor theme-park like attractions will keep you entertained.
RAINY DAY ACTIVITIES

Denver Union Station – 1701 Wynkoop / 303-592-6712 🏡
Known as Denver’s living room, this place boasts an array of restaurants, bars and shops. You can even take a tour to learn how an old train station was turned into the hot spot of Denver.

United States Mint – 320 West Colfax Ave / 303-572-9500 🏠
Learn about the present state of coin manufacturing and the history of the Mint.

Cherry Creek – ⛽️
Located in the heart of Denver, this area is the region’s premier shopping center with lots of restaurants and shops on top of an amazing mall. Great place to spend a day walking around.

DAGAR – 2000 Lawrence Street . 720-389-8699 🎯
Light-filled hangout offering supervised axe-throwing pens, plus local artwork, beer, and wine.
Denver Art Museum – 100 West 14th Ave Parkway
Explore one of the largest art museums between the West Coast and Chicago.

Stranahan’s Colorado Whiskey Tour – 200 South Kalamath Street / 303-296-7440
Tour the distillery where the first legally-made whiskey in Colorado was made.

Kirkland Museum of Fine and Decorative Art – 1201 Bannock St / 303-832-8576
More than 3,500 art nouveau, art deco, Pop Art, and postmodern works by Vance Kirkland.

Molly Brown House Museum – 1340 Pennsylvania St, Denver, CO 80203
See the home of American philanthropist, activist, and socialite Margaret Brown. You might know her as “The Unsinkable Molly Brown.”

History Colorado Center – 1200 North Broadway
According to the writer of this book, the best museum in Denver. You will experience this interactive museum during the conference, but feel free to come back and explore. There is so much to do here include see a zombie and ski down a mountain.
OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

**Washington Park** – South Downing and East Louisiana Ave 🚕
A wonderful park with an elegant boathouse and close to the bustling shopping district of Old South Gaylord Street.

**City Park** – 2001 Colorado Blvd, Denver, CO 80205 🚕
An amazing green area that is also home to the Denver Museum of Nature and Science and the Denver Zoo.

**Botanic Gardens** – 1007 York Street, Denver / 720-865-3500 🚕
The 23-acre park contains a conservatory and a variety of theme gardens. It sits next to Cheesman Park, which is also a wonderful place to explore and enjoy the Denver sunset.

**Red Rocks Park** – 18300 West Alameda Parkway / 720-865-2494 🚕
A mountain park that is known for its very large sandstone outcrops, and the best natural outdoor amphitheater in the world. Also, one of the few concert venues that the Beatles were unable to sell out.