

## Colorado trip

20 July 2008 Left HB at 720. Dust storm at stateline, had to slow down. LV at 1215. Mesquite at 130, ate at Oasis, not as good this time 9.50 Brunch. Arrived Beaver at 420 LA time 520 DT. At Comfort INN 80 with tax.

21 July 2008 To Grand Junction. Messed up driving town. Car vapor locked at col tourist agency. Called AAA, but after 15 minutes car started. Drove to Rifle where road were under repair. Stayed at La Quinta \$107 nice room, but dark. Got subway and Sharon ate left offers from home. Vapor locked at motel as we arrived.

22 July 2008 Tuesday Nice breakfast in Motel. Drove to Leadville. Super 8 \$80 south of town. Looked for rocks, drove thru mining area, walked thru down town. Car OK. Ate dinner at Quincy steak house. Good meal

23 July 2008 Wednesday Drove to Winfield, hiked to cemetery and mine but avalanche on trail stopped us. Ate lunch, Chinese, Buena Vista, and looked for rocks at (great mine for rose quartz) and Ruby Mountain. Gateway Motel in Salinda, \$77. Small room. Ate at Grimos Italian.

24 JULY 2008 Thursday. Went to area NE of Salida for rocks and mines. Ate lunch in car by Madona mine. Then to rock area north of Parlin Then to Gunnison to Gunnison Inn \$70. Went to museum. Lots to see at museum. Ate at Two Dragons Chinese food place . lots of food.

25 July 2008 Friday. Went to Black Cyn of Gunnison. Ate Chinese food for lunch. Went to Ouray. Matterhorn Motel. \$100 plus tax. Looked for rocks and walked around town. Ate at Hotel restaurant on a side street. Rain during the night.

26 July 2008 Saturday. Drove over Red Mountain Pass 11100 feet to Silverton. Went up left hwy 110 to Carlyle and looked for rocks. Back to Silverton to see the train arrive at 1200. Then up the right 110 now called hwy 2 to Eureka. Then ate lunch by stream. Drove to Delta, Co. Stayed at South Gate \$71 with tax, now called Rodeway Inn. Ate at Italian place in center of town. Davetos.

27 July 2008 Sunday. Went to rock place at mine south of White Water in CO. found mine with Amethyst, and green rocks. Ate lunch at rest stop in Utah. Car stopped at mile 125 after AC on and going up hill fast. Waited ½ hour and then car OK. Went slow up hills to Richfield. Stayed at Best Western \$75. Ate at Chinese restaurant by park. Good food.

28 July 2008 Monday. Drove to Mesquite. Ate at Casa Blanca buffet across the street from Oasis not as good as Oasis. Drove to LV got gas. Car stopped on downhill before Cima. Pulled off and waited ½ hour car started and then went to camp site and stayed another 1.5 hour. Hot at Baker 110F. Stopped at rest stop no problem before Barstow. Drove home arrived at 920PM.

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