

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

— AT CHIMNEY ROCK —

Throughout the season, visitors can enjoy a variety of opportunities to experience the site in a different light. To make reservations for Special Programs, please visit www.chimneyrockco.org or call 877-444-6777.

Full Moon Program, \$20. Full Moon/Early Tour \$25

Hike to the Great House Pueblo Trail and enjoy Native American flute music as the sun sets and the moon rises over the San Juan Mountains. Knowledgeable speakers present a story of the ancestral Puebloans, and the view of the full moon rising is breathtaking from this high vantage point. Early Tour Package (includes a guided tour of the Mesa Village Trail prior to the Full Moon Program) is also available. Both options recommended for ages 8 & up. **Reservations only. May 18, June 17, July 16, August 15 & September 13**

Night Sky Archaeoastronomy Programs, \$16/\$8

Each month, this program offers two opportunities to enjoy the night sky. At the upper parking lot, guests will hear a presentation to prepare for viewing through telescopes manned by volunteer astronomers. Suitable for children. **Reservations only.**

- **Stars and Galaxies** - When the sky is dark, see the stars and learn about the constellations. **May 31, June 28, July 26, Aug 30 & Sept 27**

- **Our Solar System** - Get a close-up view of features on the moon. **June 7, July 5, Aug 9 & Sept 6**

Stories at Sunset, \$16/\$8 Early Tour/Stories, \$20/\$8

Enjoy a stunning sunset as we gather at the Great Kiva to hear about Native American culture, history and stories. Early Tour Package (includes a guided tour of the Great House Pueblo Trail to the Chacoan Great House prior to the Stories Program) is also available.

Reservations Only. July 8 & July 31

Sunrise Photo Tour, \$20

Watch the sun rise at Chimney Rock National Monument! With a 360-degree vantage point and the hush of early morning in the wilderness, the sunrise from the Great House is a marvelous experience for the eyes and the spirit, and an amazing opportunity for photography. **Reservations only.**

June 21 & September 23

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Life at Chimney Rock, Free 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m

This free festival at the visitor cabin is fun for all ages. Volunteers help you make a clay pot, paint petroglyphs, or pound yucca to release its valuable fibers. Shop the Indian market. **July 20 & 21. No reservations required.**

Geology Tour \$16/\$8

This 1.5 hour morning tour of the Pueblo Trail explores local geology and its relationship to the ancestral Puebloans who lived at Chimney Rock. Geologic processes determine the landscape, and at Chimney Rock, play a central role in climate.

Reservations Only. June 19, July 3 & August 7

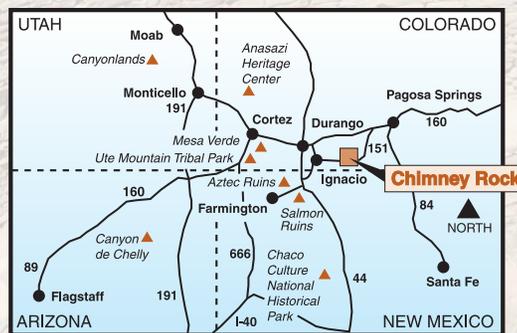
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— OUR LEGACY —

Chimney Rock is a place of great archaeological and cultural interest. Its care, protection, and preservation are shared by the San Juan National Forest and Chimney Rock Interpretive Association (CRIA).

CRIA is a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to providing an enjoyable educational experience at Chimney Rock while protecting the site's cultural legacy. CRIA relies heavily upon tour fees, donations and grants to fund the interpretive program.

HOW TO GET TO CHIMNEY ROCK



970-883-5359 - Visitor Cabin, May 15 through Sept 30

970-731-7133 - CRIA Office, October 1 through May 14

877-444-6777 - Reservation Call Center

Visit our web site at: www.chimneyrockco.org

E-mail: chimneyrock@chimneyrockco.org

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A Rare View into an Ancient World



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EXPERIENCE

THE LAND

A thousand years ago, the lands beneath Chimney Rock's twin pinnacles were home to the ancestral Puebloans. Later, the formations served as a landmark for the European explorers and prospectors who settled this rugged country. Today, the prominent and beautiful spires mark one of the most intriguing archaeological sites in the Four Corners area.

Located 17 miles west of Pagosa Springs, Colorado and 40 miles east of Durango, Colorado, Chimney Rock's stone pinnacles overlook an ancient pueblo on lands managed by the San Juan National Forest.



ENVISION

THE PAST



Architecture, pottery, and other artifacts from the site tell of the daily lives of the people who made the area their home 1000 years ago. Among hundreds of structures, a Chacoan Great House Pueblo, Great Kiva, multi-family dwelling, and pit house have been excavated and stabilized for viewing.

EMBRACE

THE LEGENDS

Mysteries, legends, and theories about Chimney Rock abound: Why did agricultural people develop a large community in a harsh environment? What attracted them to the high mesa beneath the twin pinnacles? Was Chimney Rock an outpost for collecting wood or wild game for use in Chaco Canyon? Chimney Rock is the most isolated and remote community tied to Chaco as well as the highest in elevation. "What brought the Chacoans here and why did they leave?" are perhaps the most asked questions.

Just as their ancestors called Chimney Rock a special place, modern Puebloan cultures consider it a place of spiritual significance.

ENJOY

THE LEGACIES

A visit to Chimney Rock National Monument offers an enjoyable outdoor learning opportunity for all. Here, in the shadow of the awe inspiring twin pinnacles, you will experience a unique part of America's heritage during the tour season, **May 15 through September 30.**

We have an app!

Use your phone to discover the history and mystery behind Chimney Rock National Monument. Scan the code or search "San Juan National Forest".

Let's move, play, learn & explore!

Download the free AGENTS of DISCOVERY® app to complete interactive mission challenges around Chimney Rock National Monument! AGENTS of DISCOVERY® This app gets families motivated to discover nature, science and culture while exploring our public lands.

Enjoy a tour:

Chimney Rock National Monument is a protected archeological site with limited access through tours only. Guests must check in at the Visitor Cabin and then drive 2 ½ miles up a winding gravel road to where the walking tours begin. Guided interpretive walking tours are provided by trained volunteers with the non-profit Chimney Rock Interpretive Association.

All tours are first-come first served. No reservations required.

Know Before You Go:

- Entry gate & Visitor Cabin open from 9:00am - 4:30pm except for special events.
- **Last opportunity to access the ancient structures is 3:00pm daily.**
- Tours/Events may be cancelled due to severe weather.
- Rain checks are offered for tours and special events due to cancellation. There are no refunds for the pueblo tour due to its short length. Full refunds will be made for the combo tour if less than half the tour is completed.
- Groups of 10 or more are encouraged to call ahead.
- Pets are not permitted on tours; only Service Dogs are permitted. Kennels are available at no charge.
- There is no shade in the parking lot nor on the trails.
- There is no potable water on site.
- Motorcycles/Oversized Vehicles: Call the Visitor Cabin to inquire about shuttle availability from the cabin to the trail heads.
- For their own safety, children must be closely monitored while on all trails.
- Wear comfortable walking shoes, hat, and sunscreen. Bring and drink plenty of water!

Junior Archaeologist Program:

■ When you check in for your tour, ask the Cabin Host for a Junior Archaeologist Booklet which is designed to reinforce specific aspects of archaeology/anthropology. Following successful completion of these activities children will be awarded a pin-on Junior Archaeologist button.

Tour Options

Guided Tours: \$16/adult & \$8/child (ages 5-12)

■ Combo Tour: 9:15am

Get the full story about Chimney Rock National Monument with this in-depth extended guided tour into an ancient world. Trained volunteer interpretive guides bring this beautiful site to life so you can visualize what it might have been like to live here 1,000 years ago. This tour provides access to the Great House Pueblo Trail, the Mesa Village Trail and all four excavated structures. You'll walk a little more than one mile and climb 200 feet. This tour is 2 hours. Please allow up to an additional 45 minutes for hiking and driving.

■ Pueblo Tour: 11:00am, 12:30pm & 1:30pm

The Pueblo Tour is perfect for visitors with time constraints but who still want to see the awe-inspiring 360° views of the San Juan Mountain Range and the twin spires from the Great House Pueblo. The Great House Pueblo Trail is a moderately challenging unimproved trail with a 200-foot elevation gain. The tour features a multi-family dwelling, several unexcavated structures and a Chacoan Great House Pueblo (7,600-foot elevation). This tour is 1 ¼ hours. Please allow up to an additional 45 minutes for hiking and driving.

Audio-Guided Tours:

\$12/adult & \$6/child (ages 5-12)

Experience a breathtaking overlook of the Piedra River Valley and Peterson Ridge as you walk the Mesa Village Trail at your own pace. This trail is a one-third-mile paved and ADA accessible loop takes you to our 44-foot diameter excavated Great Kiva as well as excavated pit house and other unexcavated structures. Plan on an hour for this self-guided audio tour so you can take in the views and photo opportunities. Please allow for an additional 30 minutes' for drive time to and from the Visitor's Center. There are three ways to enjoy an audio-guided tour:

- Purchase your audio-guided tour at the Visitor Cabin and receive an audio device with pre-recorded commentary that gives in-depth information about the structures viewed and the people who lived there.
- Download the San Juan National Forest app before you arrive at Chimney Rock, purchase your audio-guided tour at the Visitor cabin and receive a pin # so you can use your own phone or device for the audio-tour.
- Visitors who have attended the Guided Pueblo Tours can also take a audio-guided tour at **no extra cost.**
- Available between 10:00am – 3:00pm

Tour times are subject to change. Please contact the cabin before arrival (970)883-5359.