

2020 Colorado Trail Ride Reservation

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Platinum Member: 5 to 6 days  
of support for you and your horse,  
4 days in the saddle - \$800.00  
Please send your \$100.00  
deposit to secure your spot on  
the ride.**

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to:  
Front Range Back Country Horsemen

**Please send this Registration  
and Benefactor  
Level Membership Application  
to:**

Front Range Back Country Horsemen  
P.O. Box 150521  
Lakewood, CO 80215

2020 Tentative Ride Agenda

**Sunday 8/16** – Arrive at starting point, Little Molas Lake at Molas Pass just South of Silverton and North of Durango CO.

**Monday, 8/17– Segment 25  
20 miles & approx 1910 ft  
elevation gain.**

From Little Molas Lake at Molas Pass. This segment is a **20 mile day** ending at Celebration Lake on Bolam Pass Road. The elevation this night will be 11,120.

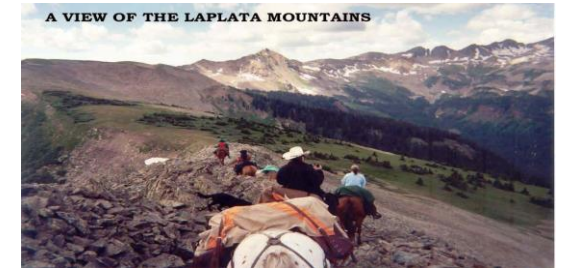
**Tuesday, 8/18– Segment 26 &  
27 a total of 18 miles with 800  
ft. of elevation gain and 1570  
ft. of elevation loss.**

Bolam Pass Rd to approximately 7 miles into segment 27, about 1 mile past Big Bend Trail.

**Wednesday, 8/19 – Possible  
Lay Over Day or Segment 27  
& part of 28. 17 to 18 miles &  
approx 1,040 ft. of elev gain.**

1 mile past Big Bend to FS-171. If weather permits, we will ride across Indian Trail Ridge and down past Kennebec Pass. This will be a challenging day please see notes on inside of brochure.

# 14th Annual Colorado Trail Ride



Front Range Back Country Horsemen  
and The Colorado Trail

August 16th – August 21, 2020

A volunteer catered and guided ride for experienced riders and proven trail horses. Four days in the saddle starting at Molas Pass which is located just south of Silverton and continuing to Junction Creek just West of Durango. This ride is approximately 72 miles along the Colorado Trail. The ride will take us through the San Juan Mountains of Colorado with some of the most beautiful views in the state.

Cost: \$800.00

Limited to 14 riders

Register Now!

***A week of riding –  
A lifetime of memories!***

## **The Colorado Trail 2020 – Ride of a Lifetime!**

Come join us on a beautiful catered ride through the Colorado Rockies along the scenic Colorado Trail. This year our ride will begin at Little Molas Pass North of Durango on Hwy 550 and just South of Silverton. This ride will take us from Little Molas to Durango which is approximately 74 miles. We will be camping for 5 nights, riding for 4 days with one layover day. We will gather, organize, set camp and park our rigs on Sunday August 16<sup>th</sup> at Little Molas Lake. We will ride Monday through Friday, and end at Junction Creek, Durango where you can choose to stay overnight or drive home. This year's ride will take us along segments 25 through 28 as described in "The Colorado Trail" guide book.

**Please be aware, this is not a training ride!** The terrain covered can be serious, strenuous mountain riding. As an example, **this year we ride 18 to 21 miles a day**, we will climb to an elevation of 12,258 feet. All participants must be able to get their own horse over various mountain obstacles; including all types of water crossings (large and small streams, little ditches with water, eroded stream beds with rock and/or mud, etc.). **The day we cross Indian Trail Ridge our ride we will go through sequential and exasperating elevation gains and losses as it passes over several summits. A few places have steep drop offs to the east side. This ridge walk would be very dangerous, during afternoon thunderstorms. This will be the most challenging day of our trip so that is why the layover day is a question and we will plan according to the weather. We will also leave early this day to avoid thunderstorms.** You and your horse must be in condition to handle the challenge of climbing majestic mountains and steep descents into high country valleys. Due to the high altitude's every day you will need to be prepared to get an early start every morning up at 5:00 to feed and ready to ride by 7:00. The views will be spectacular and the memories will last forever!

Catering is courtesy of unpaid volunteers from The Front Range Back Country Horsemen. We will also provide the cooking equipment, portable showers and outhouses, along with the equipment to move your personal gear to campsites. All food and beverages (including wine and beer) and horse feed (certified grass hay and basic grain) is provided. All participants must provide their own personal items including tent, sleeping bag, horse, tack, etc. Everyone must also set up their own tent and help with camp chores. More information will be provided to registered riders as it becomes available. Ride detail questions should be directed to Pam Doverspike at [pjdovers@aol.com](mailto:pjdovers@aol.com), 303-726-2823 cell. The cost will be \$800.00 for each rider. All proceeds above the actual cost of the food, gas, feed, equipment, etc., will be donated to The Colorado Trail and Front Range Back Country Horsemen. A deposit of \$100.00 per rider is required with your registration. Payment in full is due by **July 1st** and actual costs plus the deposit are non-refundable after this date.

**Please be flexible as the ride can be subject to change due to trail or road conditions.**

**The ride will be limited to 14 riders. Sign up soon to reserve your spot!**



JUST AFTER PASSING POINT 12,258 ON THE SOUTHERN END OF INDIAN TRAIL RIDGE, WE BEGIN A STEEP DESCENT INTO CUMBERLAND BASIN AND BELOW IS TAYLOR LAKE

