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## ROYAL GORGE ROUTE

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Notable scenic attraction of the Dotsero Cutoff is Red Canon of the Colorado River, unusual formations of which present a brilliant spectacle. Creation of a mighty upheaval, chiseled by the elements in the likeness of mysterious Buddhist temples of the Orient, these many-hued rock formations have aptly been christened the Pagodas.

The Dotsero Cutoff, dedicated June 16, 1934, brought into existence the Moffat Tunnel Route of the Denver \& Rio Grande Western Railroad, placing Denver on its first and only direct transcontinental railroad. Western Colorado, Salt Lake City, Ogden and the Pacific coast are 175 miles nearer to Denver via the Moffat Tunnel than via the Royal Gorge.

View after view of absorbing interest and refreshing beauty is seen along the 38 miles of the Dotsero Cutoff.


## TUNNEL VIEW

At every turn huge mountains of rock seem to have been placed by nature as a barrier to the onward march of civilization. The unequaled engineering features presented on this wonderful trip cannot fail to impress upon the tourist the seemingly insurmountable obstacles which have been met and overcome in the construction of this railroad.







COLORADO'S HIGl
Towering into the heavens in all their majestic grandeur and rugged beauty the noble peaks of this vast panoramic stretch in the heart of the Colorado Rockies reach into the realm of perpetual snow, bearing their crystal crowns in regal dignity as tokens of their supremacy over this picturesque domain. Mount Elbert, first on the left, has an elevation of 14,420 feet and is the second high est peak in the United States, California's Mount Whitney being 76 feet higher. Mount Massive, alongside Elbert, and just 16 feet lower, shares with Washington's Mount Ranier the distinction of being third highest peak in the United States. Twin Lakes and
Turquoise Lake lie within the vast solitude of these peaks, which challenge the skill and endurance of the hardiest mountain


## EST MOUNTAINS

climbers. Just 4000 feet below these dizzy heights is Leadville, highest incorporated city in the United States. Scene of feverish activity during Colorado's first gold rush in 1880, when rails of the Rio Grande reached into the Rockies, Leadville has become nationally known for its historic interest and the scenic beauty of its environs. Tennessee Pass, 10,240 feet in altitude, just 40 feet higher than Leadville, is the pass thru which Denver \& Rio Grande Western trains on the Royal Gorge Route cross the backbone of America. Water from the perpetual snows which cap the towering peaks divides at this point, part flowing east to the Arkansas river and finally to the Atlantic Ocean. The rest flows west, from the Eagle river into the Colorado, and thence to the Pacific Ocean.



















MOUNTAINS IN COLORADO EXCEEDING 14,000 FEET IN ALTITUDE

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ALTITUDES AND LOCATIONS OF COLORADO MOUNTAIN PASSES
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Argentine
Berthoud
Cameron
Cebolla
Corona
Cumbres
Cochetopa
Fall River
Fremont
Hoosier
Hayden
Imogene
Independence
La Veta
Loveland
Medanos
Milner
Mosca
Marshall
Monarch
Muddy
Music
Ophir
Pearl
Poncha
Rabbit Ears
Raton
Sangre de Cristo
Slumgullion
Stony
Tennessee
Trout Lake
Weminuche
Willow Creek
Wolf Creek

| County | Elevation |
| :--- | ---: |
| Summit-Clear Creek | 13,132 |
| Clear Creek-Grand | 11,315 |
| Larimer-Jackson | 10,285 |
| Hinsdale | 10,394 |
| Gilpin-Grand | 11,660 |
| Conejos | 10,003 |
| Saguache | 10,032 |
| Larimer | 11,797 |
| Lake-Summit | 11,320 |
| Park-Summit | 11,542 |
| Fremont | 10,780 |
| Ouray-San Miguel | 13,116 |
| Lake-Pitkin | 12,095 |
| Huerfano-Costilla | 9,378 |
| Clear Creek-Summit | 11,992 |
| Saguache-Huerfano | 10,150 |
| Grand-Larimer | 10,759 |
| Huerfano-Saguache | 9,713 |
| Saguache | 10,950 |
| Chaffee-Gunnison | 11,650 |
| Jackson-Grand | 8,772 |
| Custer-Saguache | 11,800 |
| San Juan-San Miguel | 11,350 |
| Pitkin-Gunnison | 12,715 |
| Chaffee-Saguache | 8,945 |
| Grand-Jackson-Routt | 9,680 |
| Las Animas. | 7,893 |
| Huerfano-Costilla | 9,459 |
| Hinsdale | 11,025 |
| San Juan | 12,594 |
| Lake | 10,276 |
| Chaffee-Park | 9,346 |
| Hinsdale | 10,622 |
| Park-Summit | 9,683 |
| Mineral-Archuleta | 10,850 |
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NATIONAL FORESTS
Name
Arapahoe
Cochetopa Colorado Grande Mesa Gunnison Holy Cross La Sal ${ }^{2}$ Medicine Bow Montezuma ike
Rio Grande Routt San Isabel Uncompahgre White River ${ }^{1}$ Lies Principally in Utal ${ }^{2}$ Lies Principally in Wyoming



