

Colorado Native American Studies Resource Guide

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This resource guide is far from comprehensive and is intended only as an opening for the exploration of Native Americans in Colorado and their points of contact with Europeans whose presence altered indigenous lifestyles. The use of the term “Colorado” is a recent occurrence when compared with Native American habitation. Since “Colorado” did not exist at the time, neither did the rectangular-shaped state boundary so familiar to those alive today. These sources should be examined with a critical mind and an understanding of the origin of each particular source. Historically Native Americans have been subjected to discrimination and stereotyping. This unfair bias is an inescapable truth of United States history and many of the included sources evidence that fact. As a general rule, books published by a university or scholarly press are more trust-worthy than those by other publishers. Similarly, books with a more recent publishing date may include new research that alters past interpretations.

Though many peoples lived and traveled in what is now Colorado, only the Arapaho, Cheyenne and Ute peoples have been featured in this resource guide for purposes of brevity. The lack of inclusion in this resource guide in no way diminishes the contributions of the Apache, Comanche, Kiowa, Pawnee, Shoshone and others who made their mark.

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*Arapaho Camp c. 1800s
Credit: Colorado College Library*

*Camp at Sand Creek Massacre Historic Site, 2007
Credit: Richard R. Nilles*



Colorado Native American Timeline

12,000–9,000 BC	Clovis Culture
9,000–8,000 BC	Folsom Culture
AD 1–1300	Ancestral Puebloans
	AD 450 -750 Modified Basketmaker Period
	AD 750–1100 Developmental Pueblo Period
	AD 1100–1300 Classic Pueblo Period
	AD 1175 Mesa Verde Cliff Palace
AD 650–1200	Fremont People
c. 1000	Utes arrive
1598	Ute trade with Spanish colonists
1670	First treaty between Utes and Spain
c. 1800	Arapaho and Cheyenne arrive
1821	Colorado becomes part of Mexico
1828	Fort Uncompahgre built in Ute territory
1834	William Bent and Ceran St. Vrain open Bent’s Fort trading post
1848	Mexico cedes Southern Colorado to the United States
1849	First treaty between the Utes and the United States
	Cholera outbreak
1851	Fort Laramie Treaty
1854	Utes destroy Fort Pueblo
1855	Peace treaty ends Ute War
1858	Gold discovered at confluence of South Platte and Cherry Creek on Cheyenne and Arapaho land
1861	Treaty of Fort Wise
	Territory of Colorado created
1863	Conejos Treaty
1864	Sand Creek Massacre
1868	Treaty confines Utes to western third of Colorado Territory
1869	Medicine Lodge Treaty removes Arapahoe and Cheyenne
1869	Summit Springs
1871	Denver’s Indian Agency established

- 1873 San Juan Mountain gold and silver rush
Utes cede mining area
- 1876 Colorado becomes a state
- 1879 Battle of Milk Creek/Meeker Massacre
- 1881 Ute tribes removed to Colorado and Utah reservations
- 1881 Helen Hunt Jackson publishes *A Century of Dishonor* exposing mistreatment of Native Americans
- 1887 Dawes Severalty Act effectively facilitates the dispossession of Native American lands.
- 1906 Utes trade land on Utah border for Mesa Verde lands
Mesa Verde National Park created
- 1918 Consolidated Ute Indian Reservation established
- 1924 Indian Citizenship Act
- 1934 Indian Reorganization Act
- 1971 Ute Mountain Ute Tribal Park opened
- 1978 Indian Child Welfare Act
- 1979 American Indian Freedom of Religion Act
- 1986 – 88 Colorado Ute Water Settlement
- 1990 Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act
- 2001 Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site created

Colorado Native Americans: Overview



Ute woman and child
Credit: Colorado Historical Society

For at least the last 14,000 years, people have made the Colorado plains and mountains their home. The first peoples, Paleoindians, followed their food supply across the prairie, hunting mammoth, mastodons, and giant bison. Their skilled hunting of large game required them to live and work together in close cooperative groups. As the giant mammals died off, these indigenous peoples developed technology to hunt smaller game. Some began to plant crops, requiring them to become semi-nomadic, while others continued their nomadic hunter-gatherer lifestyle.

Among those who took to farming were the Ancestral Puebloans, once referred to as Anasazi. They settled in southwestern Colorado and the surrounding Four Corners area. Known as Basketmakers for perfecting that art, they lived in circular pithouses and

grew corn, beans and squash, as well as domesticating turkeys. Between AD 750 and 1100, the Ancestral Puebloans moved to above-ground apartment-style houses. In addition to multi-family dwellings, they retained the use of the circular pithouse design. These ceremonial structures, called kivas, served as centers for Ancestral Puebloan communities. Around AD 1100 the Ancestral Puebloans again changed their architecture and moved into the multi-storied cliff dwellings for which they are best known. After living in these precariously placed structures for only two hundred years, they moved yet again. The great drought of 1275–1300 factored into their move into the Rio Grande Valley and other areas where they built pueblos. The blood of these cliff dwellers still pulses through the veins of modern Pueblo peoples.

Other peoples who had made the Four Corners region their home may also have influenced the Ancestral Puebloans to relocate. Ancestors of the Utes, the oldest continuous group of people to occupy Colorado, found their way into Ancestral Puebloan territory. Later, the Spanish arrived on the Native American continent and introduced horses. By the late 1600s, the Utes began to use horses to hunt buffalo. Other groups who once made southern Colorado their home include the Apache, Navajo, Comanche, Kiowas, and Shoshone.

In the late 1700s, the Arapaho moved onto the Colorado plains, followed shortly thereafter by the Cheyenne. Though they obtained the horse at least thirty years after the Utes, the Cheyenne and Arapaho also became formidable horsemen. Both of these tribes belonged to the Algonquin language group and had migrated from the Great Lakes region. They became allies against the Utes, Shoshones, Kiowas and Comanches.

The discovery of gold in 1858 and the subsequent conflicts with white settlers

brought the nomadic lifestyle to an end. The Sand Creek Massacre, an unwarranted attack led by Colonel John M. Chivington against peaceful Cheyennes and Arapahos, marked the end of those tribes as a major presence in Colorado. Despite the drastic depletion of ancestral homelands through a series of treaties, the Utes maintained their presence in the Four Corners area where the Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Ute reservations remain to this day. Colorado has become a major center for many tribal organizations in the state, representing a large number of tribes.

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Petroglyph: "Picture Rock," Yellow Jacket Canon, Canon of the Ancients
Credit: Denver Public Library

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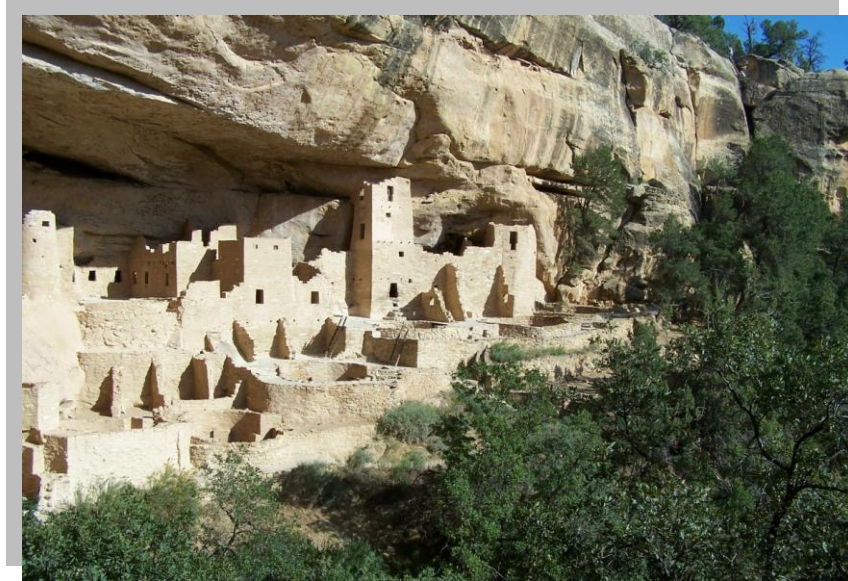
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Cliff Palace, Mesa Verde
Credit: Richard R. Nilles

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Sand Creek Massacre Historic Site Dedication, 27 April 2007
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Cheyenne Dog Soldiers' Story. Directed by Ava Hamilton. 1993, Tribeca Film

Cheyenne Warrior. DVD. Directed by Mark Griffiths. 1994, Libra Pictures. 90 min.

Chief's Prophecy: Survival of the Northern Cheyenne Nation (The). Directed by Leo Killsback. FVF. 2009, Arizona Public Media. 60 min.

Destiny at Dawn: Loss and Victory on the Washita. FVF. Centennial, Colo.: Great Divide Pictures, 2004. 25 min.

Grayeagle. Directed by Charles B. Pierce. VHS. 1977, Charles P. Pierce Production Inc., 2001. 104 min.

How the West Was Lost. Directed by Ric Burns. FVF. "The Only Good Indian Is a Dead Indian." "Kill the Indian, Save the Man." The Utes Must Go." 1995, PBS Paramount, 2006.

In the White Man's Image. "The American Experience." Directed by Christine Lesiak. FVF. 1991, American Experience. 58 min.

Last of the Dog Men. Directed by Tab Murphy. VHS. 1995; Carolco Pictures, 1996. 118 min.

Little Big Man. Directed by Arthur Penn. FVF. 1970; Cinema Center Films; 2003. 139 min.

Native Americans. "The Plains. Part 1: All Our Relations." "The Plains, Part II: Fields of Grass, Seas of Blood." Directed by John Borden, George Burdeau, and Phil Lucas. FVF. 1994; Turner Home Entertainment, 1998. 110 min.

Pow Wow Highway. Directed by Jonathan Wacks. FVF. 1989; Handmade Films, 2004. 87 min.

500 Nations. "Roads across the Plains: Struggle for the West." FVF. 1995; Santa Barbara Studios, 2004. 53 min.

She Wore a Yellow Ribbon. Directed by John Ford. FVF. 1949; Argosy Pictures, 2007. 103 min.

Silent Thunder. Directed by Angelique Midthunder. FVF. 2006; Midthunder Productions. 27 min.

Soldier Blue. Directed by Ralph Nelson. FVF. 1970; AVCO Embassy Pictures, 2006. 112 min.

Stagecoach. Directed by John Ford. 1939; Walter Wanger Productions, 2007. 96 min.

“Tears in the Sand” *Rocky Mountain Legacy*. VHS. 1999; KRMA-TV 60 min.

Way West (The). FVF. “The War for the Black Hills.” Directed by Ric Burns. 1995; PBS Paramount, 2006. 90 min.

Windwalker. Directed by Keith Merrill. VHS. 1981; Santa Fe International. 108 min.



Denver March Powwow, Female Dancers
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3. Resources/Websites

American Indian College Fund – Denver

<http://www.collegefund.org/>

Indian Voices on KGNU Boulder Denver 88.5 FM, 1390 AM and online at www.kgnu.org Sundays, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Arapaho Project

<http://www.colorado.edu/csilw/newarapproj2.htm>

Cheyenne and Arapahoe Tribes of Oklahoma

<http://www.cheyenne-arapaho.org/>

Colorado Directory of American Indian Resources

www.colorado.gov/ltgovernor/initiatives/indianaffairs.html

Colorado Springs Indian Center

<http://www.coloradospringsindiancenter.org/>

Denver Indian Center

<http://www.denverindiancenter.org/>

Denver March Powwow

<http://www.denvermarchpowwow.org/>

Native American Bank–Denver

International Institute for Indigenous Resource Management

444 South Emerson Street

<http://www.nabna.com/>

News from Indian Country

<http://www.indiancountrynews.com/>

Northern Cheyenne Tribe: Official Site of the Tsitsistas and So'taeo' o People.

<http://www.cheyennation.com/>

Rocky Mountain Indian Chamber

<http://www.rmicc.org/>

Southern Ute Indian Tribe

Available: <http://www.southern-ute.nsn.us>.

University of Colorado at Boulder Library.

“Native American Treaties and Information.”

<http://ucblibraries.colorado.edu/govpubs/us/native.htm>

Upcoming Native American Events in Colorado and surrounding states

<http://www.fortnet.org/PowWow/events.html>

Ute Mountain Ute Tribe

Available: <http://www.utemountainute.com>

4. Museums and Historic Sites

Anasazi Cultural Center/
Canyons of the Ancients National Monument
27501 Highway 184
Dolores, CO 81323
(970)882-5600
<http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/ahc.html>

Battle of Milk Creek Monument (marker)
Northeast of Meeker, off Colorado 13 on dirt road

Beecher Island Battlefield/
Simmons State Wildlife Area
From US 36 a few miles west of the Kansas line, drive north on CRLI about 10 miles (CRLI turns into CRKK just before Beecher Island) to Beecher Island Battleground, on the west side of the road and the north side of the Arikaree River.

Bent's Old Fort
35120 Highway 194
La Junta, CO 35120
(719)384-2596
<http://www.nps.gov/beol/index.htm>

Black Kettle Museum
LL Males & Broadway,
Corner of 283 and State Hwy. 47
Cheyenne, OK
(580) 497-3929, call ahead.

Canyon Pintado Historic District (marker)
Along Colorado 139 between Douglas Pass and Rangley
Colorado

Chaco Canyon
PO Box 220
Nageezi, NM 87037
(505)786-7014 x 221
<http://www.nps.gov/chcu/index.htm>

Colorado History Museum
(expectant opening, 2011)
12th Ave. & Broadway
Denver, CO 80203
(303)866-4686
<http://www.coloradohistory.org/>

Comanche National Grasslands
27162 Highway 287
PO Box 127
Springfield, CO 81073
(719)523-6591
<http://www.fs.fed.us/r2/psicc/coma/>

Denver Art Museum
100 W. 14th Avenue Parkway
Denver, CO 80203
(303)575-2793
<http://www.denverartmuseum.org/home>

Denver March Powwow, Inc.
PO Box 19178
Denver, CO 80219
(303)934-8045
Email: denvermarchpowwow@comcast.net

Denver Museum of Nature and Science
2001 Colorado Boulevard
Denver, CO 80205
(303)322-7009
<http://www.dmns.org/main/en/>

Dinosaur National Monument
4545 Highway 40
Dinosaur, CO 81610
(970)374-3000
<http://www.nps.gov/dino/index.htm>

Fort Garland Museum
Colorado Historical Society
Fort Garland, CO 81133
(719)379-3512
http://www.coloradohistory.org/hist_sites/ft_garland/ft_garland.htm

Fort Uncompahgre Living History Museum
360 Main Street
Delta, CO
(970)874-8349
(970)874-1718
<http://www.silverstage.net/FortUncompahgre.htm>

Fort Vasquez State Museum
Colorado Historical Society
13412 Highway 85
Platteville, CO 80651
(303)785-2832
http://www.coloradohistory.org/hist_sites/ft_vasquez/ft_vasquez.htm

Fremont Indian State Park
11000 Clear Creek Canyon Road
Sevier, UT 84766
(801)527-4631
<http://stateparks.utah.gov/parks/fremont>

Koshare Indian Museum
115 W. 18th
La Junta, CO 35120
(719)384-4411
<http://www.kosharehistory.org/>

Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument
P. O. Box 39
Crow Agency, MT 59022
(406)638-2621
<http://www.nps.gov/libi/index.htm>

Mesa Verde National Park
PO Box 8
Mesa Verde, CO 81330-0008
(970)529-4465
<http://www.nps.gov/meve/index.htm>

Museum of Western Colorado
4th and Ute
Grand Junction, CO 81501
(303)242-0971
<http://www.museumofwesternco.com/>

Rangely Museum
434 W. Main Street
Rangely, CO 81648
(303)675-2612
<http://www.rangely.com/Museum.htm>

Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site
P. O. Box 249
Eads, CO 81036
(719)729-3003
<http://www.nps.gov/sand/index.htm>

St. Stephens Indian Mission
PO Box 250
St. Stephens, WY 82524
(307)856-7806

Summit Springs
From I-76, Exit 115 at Atwood. The site is southeast on Colorado 63 about 5 miles. Turn left on Washington County Road 60 and go 4 miles east to a dead end, and then turn right and go a mile south on a gravel road to a windmill and a turnaround.

Ute Indian Museum
Colorado Historical Society
17253 Chipeta Road
Montrose, CO
(970) 249-3098
(970)252-8741
http://www.coloradohistory.org/hist_sites/uteindian/ute_Indian.htm

Ute Mountain Tribal Park
P. O. Box 109
Towaoc, Colorado 81334
(970)565-3751 x 330
1-800-847-5485
Visitors Center and Museum
(970)749-1452
<http://www.utemountainute.com/tribalpark.htm>

Washita Battlefield National Historic Site
Rt. 1, Box 55a
Cheyenne, OK 73628
(580)497-2742
<http://www.nps.gov/waba/index.htm>

Yucca House National Monument
Call Mesa Verde National Park (970)529-4465

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