

HISTORIC STAYS

REST UP AT OUR INNS

Walk through halls steeped in history. Relax in the comfort of a luxurious bed surrounded by the warmth of the 1890's gold rush. Sip a cup of tea or a cordial and munch on homemade cookies. Treat yourself to a massage or a piece of fine art.

Once you walk through the original school doors, framed by sculptures of playful children and an outdoor patio, your luxury vacation experience unfolds in the grand hallway, greeted by the warm smiles of innkeepers Gary and Wini Ledford and their staff.

Cripple Creek's Carr Manor is delightfully appointed as a Boutique Hotel and is operated in the home style of a bed & breakfast. This destination resort offers first-class accommodations in the heart of Cripple Creek attractions - a respite at the center of fun and adventure that awaits you in The World's Greatest Gold Camp. Conference facilities, a grand ballroom, a fitness room and a gift shop complete the amenities.

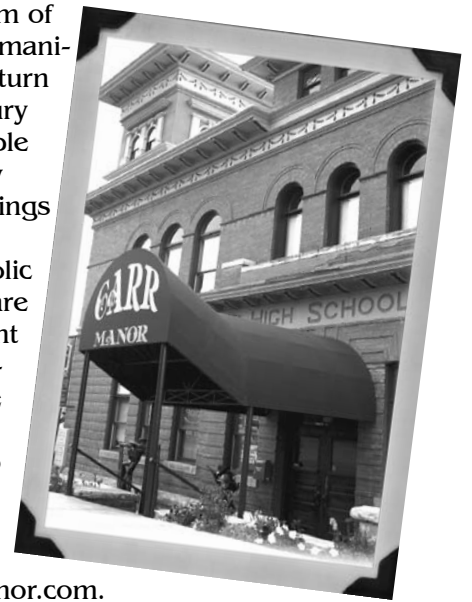
Some suites feature four-poster beds reminiscent of the period; all offer exquisite furnishings, and the innkeepers cook up scrumptious homemade breakfasts. Walls of fine art and historical memorabilia make for the finest lodging experience in the district. Bronze sculptures and original school decor compliment the grounds.

Operated as Cripple Creek's High School until the 1920s, it was the only school offering K-12 until 1977 and is the only surviving school building of the 5 original Cripple Creek schools. What a rare experience to walk the halls where famous students, teachers and locals lived and started their careers - such notables as former Colorado Gov. Ralph Carr, world renowned journalist Lowell Thomas and boxer Jack Dempsey. Carr became Colorado governor in the 1940s and was noted as Person of the Century by the Denver Post for his humanitarian efforts to protect Americans of Japanese descent during World War II.

The warm charm of the Victorian era manifests itself in the turn of the 19th Century buildings of Cripple Creek. A few truly remarkable buildings were constructed

and are available to the general public to view, but the Carr is one of the rare places open to actually spend a night or a few nights and enjoy the craftsmanship and romance of days gone by. Inn tours are also available.

Join us as the dream continues to unfold and "Where the Past Is Still Alive." Carr Manor is located at 350 East Carr Ave. in Cripple Creek; Phone: 719-689-3709; www.carrmanor.com.



OLD HOSPITAL A RESPITE

In 1890, hotels were few in Cripple Creek, but they catered to travelers seeking gold, glamour and good fortune. The New Collins Hotel on Cripple Creek's Third Street, now the Imperial, featured steam heat, electric lights and a new dining room. Two of the city's turn-of-the-century hospitals have been renovated into luxurious Victorian respites. The Cripple Creek Hospitality House offers guests the opportunity to stay in the peaceful serenity of the Rocky Mountains. Located in the former Teller County Hospital, the building was constructed by the county in 1901. The facility includes a tent and RV campground, hot tub and old-fashioned verandas for enjoying the mountain sunshine. For information visit cchospitalityhouse.com or call 719-689-2513.

The Hotel St. Nicholas was built in 1898 by the Sisters of Mercy as a Catholic hospital, today offers comfortable accommodations, continental breakfast, stunning views and "distinctive spirits" in the Boiler Room Tavern.

STAY & TOUR THE VICTOR HOTEL



Relax in Victor's charming history - a stay at the Victor Hotel will be a day-away to remember. The 4-story hotel at the corner of Fourth & Victor Avenue is beautifully restored in Victorian decor. Originally a bank, the hotel still sports its old safe and original bird cage elevator, pictured below.

Historically numerous retail and consulting businesses

were located in the building, and there were rooms that could be rented for the night. The bank, owned by Victor's founders, closed its doors permanently on November 4, 1903.

The building is on the National Register of Historic Places. The hotel offers 20 rooms with bath, TV, internet, phone and is handicap accessible.

Just minutes to the casinos of Cripple Creek, on the Gold Belt National Scenic Byway and adjacent to the Trails of Gold historic sites, the hotel is a perfect way to spend a day, a weekend or a week.

If you cannot stay, take a tour of the original bird cage elevator. For information, visit victorhotelcolorado.com or call 719-689-3553.





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