

(Just a few of the many)
**THINGS TO SEE
AND DO . . .**

SHEEPDOG TRIALS ● Each year during Mother's Day weekend, handlers and dogs work together to outmaneuver flocks of resistant sheep. Annual vintage car show and community yard sales too!

● HotchkissDogTrials.com

DELTA COUNTY FAIR ● The first full week of August. Horsemanship, ranch rodeo, livestock and heritage exhibits, live music, fair food, fun booths, and, of course, tractor and truck pulls! ● DeltaCountyFair.com

GALLERIES & SHOPS ● Stroll up and down Bridge and Main Streets for art, antiques, gifts, hardware, sporting goods, clothing and more!

HOTCHKISS CRAWFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY & MUSEUM ● Documenting our history full of ruffians, heroes and pioneers. ● hchm.freehostia.com

TOUR STOPS ● Classic car rallies (such as Colorado Grand) and bicycle tours (such as Ride The Rockies) love to stop in Hotchkiss because we are located in a lovely valley on the way to other spectacular sights in Western Colorado.

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For extensive information on Hotchkiss and the North Fork Valley, visit NorthForkValley.net.
For information on the Hotchkiss Community Chamber of Commerce, visit HotchkissChamber.com.

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HUNTING AND FISHING ● With rivers, reservoirs, and hundreds of thousands of acres of public land, this is a outdoorsman's paradise.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE ● Hiking, road and mountain biking, horseback riding and ATV exploration are all major attractions for visitors to the North Fork Valley - a valley blessed with over half of its area in public lands!

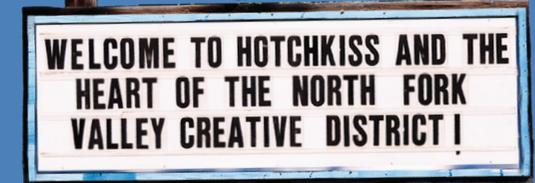
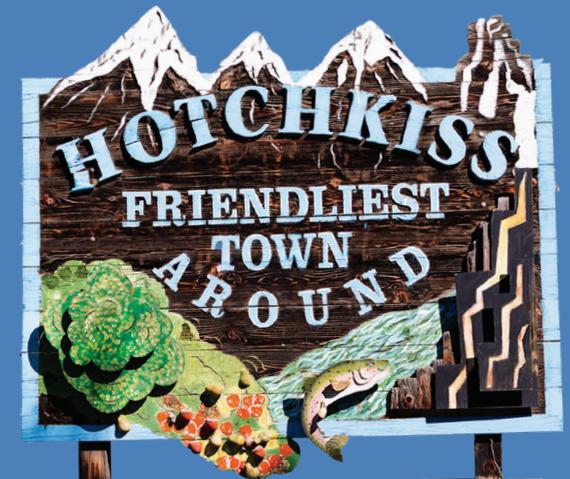
THE BOUNTY OF THE VALLEY ● Universally known as the garden spot of Colorado, Hotchkiss and the North Fork Valley offer an abundance of fresh fruits, veggies and meats. And for the connoisseur . . . vineyards, wineries and distilleries!

● WestElksAVA.com & VOGAcO.org

NATURAL BEAUTY... ● It's everywhere! Some of the most spectacular include the north rim of the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park and Needle Rock east of Crawford. ● nps.gov/blca

DINING & LODGING ● Find lodging and restaurant information at our website and our Visitor Kiosk..

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● HotchkissChamber.com



**YOU FOUND
HOTCHKISS!**

**THE HEART OF THE
North Fork Valley!**

WELCOME TO Hotchkiss

WHETHER YOU LIVE HERE ...
OR YOU'RE VISITING ...
OR YOU LOVE SMALL TOWNS AND
WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW...

Enos T. Hotchkiss – town founder, miner, road builder, stockman and all around character of such mythic proportions that he was eventually inducted into the Cowboy Hall of Fame – was one of the first white settlers to stake a claim in the North Fork Valley, following the 1881 expulsion of the native Ute peoples.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

By virtue of the town's location at the natural crossroads of the Valley, Hotchkiss developed as a supply center for area settlers, many of whom had established cattle and sheep ranches, and extensive orchards, in the last two decades of the 19th century.



And Hotchkiss is still in the middle of it all – a great springboard for discoveries throughout the beautiful, historic, creative and innovative North Fork Valley!



Explore and discover the hidden gems of the little place we call **home**. Hotchkiss – the friendliest town around!

THE NORTH FORK VALLEY CREATIVE DISTRICT

The North Fork Valley has long been recognized, by those in the know, as a creative hot spot. Fine artists, sculptors, glass artisans, textile artists, blacksmiths and metal workers, photographers, writers, musicians, poets – all call this Valley home – contributing to the colorful weave of this exceptional community. The Hotchkiss Fine Arts Association is well over 50 years old, testifying to the deep roots the Arts have entwined in the local soils. The State of Colorado has officially recognized the North Fork Valley as a *Colorado Creative District* – geographically the largest in Colorado!

WHAT WE ARE UP TO

A century ago cattle ranches, orchard operations and coal mining were the mainstays of the local economy... and so it is today, but with a little twist.

Coal mining has declined in recent years but remains important. Cattle and sheep operations are still visible all around the North Fork Valley, though don't be surprised if what you thought was a pasture of cattle turns out, on closer inspection, to be the home of a buffalo or elk herd. Animal husbandry has expanded locally to fill niche demands.

Maybe most noticeably, organic orchards, vineyards and commercial gardens have become the dominant forms of agriculture in the Valley, with the bounty sold locally and all around Colorado and beyond - garnering Hotchkiss and the North Fork Valley acclaim as the "garden spot of Colorado". Wineries, distilleries and cidaries add a relatively new, but flavorful, dimension to Hotchkiss and the North Fork Valley.

Hotchkiss & the North Fork Valley
... lovely scenery,

outdoor recreation, fine food,
excellent wine, artisan spirits,
unexpected creative and cultural
environment ... and the charm of
small town life ...

Hotchkiss is special,
Come see for yourself!

