

**Title:** Up, Down, Around – Experience The Black Canyon from all Angles

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**Description:** Experience the beauty and vastness of the Black Canyon of the Gunnison – from all angles in Delta County and Montrose, CO. Qualified journalists will explore the north and south rims of the Black Canyon and will take a pontoon boat ride through the upper canyon to where the national park begins. Additional activities could include fly-fishing, rafting, horseback riding and agritourism tours, depending on journalists' assignments/interests.

**Dates:** June 23-26, 2011

**Journalists are invited to:** Explore one of the gems of the national parks system, The Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park. This trip will tackle portions of the 48-mile canyon from all angles. Journalists will see the sights along the north and south rims, as well as take a pontoon boat ride through the upper Black Canyon within Curecanti National Recreation Area. The Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park was proclaimed a national monument in 1933 and was designated a national park through a congressional bill and a presidential signature in 1999. The Black Canyon is aptly named – it is so deep, sheer and narrow that very little sunlight reaches the canyon floor. Activities in Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park include fishing, hiking, rock climbing, horseback riding, nature walks and camping in the summer and cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and backcountry camping in the winter.

**Website:** [www.visitmontrose.com](http://www.visitmontrose.com), [www.deltacountycolorado.com](http://www.deltacountycolorado.com), [www.nps.gov/blca/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/blca/index.htm)

**Location:** Montrose and Delta County are located in southwest Colorado. Montrose sits at 5,794 feet above sea level on the western slope of the Rocky Mountains and is 295 miles southwest of Denver. Delta County is located on Colorado's western slope, about 267 miles southwest of Denver.

**Inclusions:**

- Lodging (June 23, 24, 25, 2011)
- Meals during your stay
- Air transportation to and from Montrose Regional Airport
- Ground transportation to and from the Montrose Regional Airport
- Transportation to and from all activities
- Fees/rentals for all activities
- Note: If your media outlet does not permit you to participate in complimentary trips, we are happy to work out an acceptable form of payment.

**Exclusions:**

- Alcoholic beverages
- Gratuities
- Rental car
- Items of a personal nature

**Journalist requirements:** Journalists with major sports, outdoor recreation, travel or other related media outlets; writers on assignment for sports, outdoor recreation, travel or other related articles.

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