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ITINERARY

ESCALANTE/BOULDER FAMILY

DAY 1

MORNING ADVENTURES

SCENIC HIGHWAY 12 – UTAH'S ALL-AMERICAN ROAD

Start your drive to Escalante on an All-American Byway, rated among the top ten scenic byways in America by "Car and Driver Magazine." See if you can spot areas of slickrock canyons, red rock cliffs, pine and aspen forests, alpine mountains, national parks, state parks and more.

ESCALANTE PETRIFIED FOREST STATE PARK

Location: 1-mile west of Escalante at 710 N Reservoir Road of Scenic Byway 12

Find a treasure's trove of petrified wood and fossilized rocks at this state park. Look in the visitors center for exhibits or make it a game of "I Spy" along the 1.1-mile trail.

LUNCH: ESCALANTE OUTFITTERS

Location: 310 W Main Street, Escalante

Escalante Outfitters provides lunch and dinner, as well as coffee and espresso, to visitors and locals. The cafe features fresh, homemade pizza from natural and local ingredients whenever possible. Delicious sandwiches and gourmet salads are also available. Whatever you're craving, you'll probably find it here!

AFTERNOON ADVENTURES

DEVIL'S GARDEN IN GRAND STAIRCASE-ESCALANTE NATIONAL MONUMENT

Location: 10 miles down the Hole in the Rock Road

Detailed Directions: East of Escalante on Scenic Byway 12 (about 5 miles), you will see Hole in the Rock Road. Turn onto this road (right) and follow for 10 miles. With well-graded dirt, this road is generally passable for any vehicle. You will find a small sign indicating a right turn toward Devil's Garden which is just a couple of hundred yards down this side road.

Perfect for families, Devil's Garden is a great place to stop and explore the uniquely shaped rock formations. Plan 1-2 hours and if it works in your schedule, this is an ideal picnic or snack location as well.

ESCALANTE HERITAGE CENTER

Location: 1285 East Scenic Byway 12, Escalante

Discover the story of the Hole-in-the-Rock Expedition and the brave pioneers that traversed the route. This center is created to preserve, educate and inspire while connecting visitors with the place and the story. If the center isn't open, you can still look at the murals outside.

DINNER: RANCH DOG KITCHEN

Location: 280 E Main St., Escalante

A diner in Escalante, Ranch Dog Kitchen has indoor and vast outdoor dining atmospheres to feed your family. The menu offers various renditions of the traditional "dog" along with sausage menu options and vegetarian considerations [Menu](#)

LODGING: ESCALANTE ESCAPES

Location: 500 W 200 North, Escalante

Escalante Escapes has nine tiny luxury homes surrounded by the beauty of the Escalante desert. Accommodating 2-6 guests, each home has both indoor and outdoor amenities that are appealing. Outside, there is a private deck, firepit, and BBQ to make your nights enjoyable. Inside, each home has a kitchen, heating and air conditioning and a TV along with a washer and dryer for maximum comfort.

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BREAKFAST: ESCALANTE MERCANTILE

Location: 210 W Main St, Escalante

Escalante Mercantile is a general store and café providing all of your nutritional, organic, and gluten free products for your every need. With locally-grown garden produce, you'll have your choice of to-go items for your lunch. Grab it to go because you've got a big day of hiking ahead!

MORNING ADVENTURE **LOWER CALF CREEK FALLS**

This hike is an extremely popular one. It has a beautiful waterfall at the end! It's highly recommended to hike this 6.7-mile trail before midday when it becomes very hot. Bring lots of water for your group and be mindful of sandy sections that make this trail a moderate level. Hikers may be charged a day-use fee of \$5 per vehicle as this land is run by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

LUNCH: MAGNOLIA'S STREET FOOD

Location: Anasazi State Park Museum parking lot, 460 North Scenic Byway 12, Boulder

Magnolia's is a food truck in the parking lot of the Anasazi State Park Museum. Serving breakfast and lunch you can order items from burritos, tacos and soups to salads and homemade salsa. Family-owned and run, the small company strives to provide ingredients that support local farmers, ranchers and serve the community and its visitors.

AFTERNOON ADVENTURE **ANASAZI STATE PARK MUSEUM**

Location: 460 North Scenic Byway 12, Boulder

Open year-round, seven days a week besides major holidays, entrance into the Anasazi State Park Museum is \$5 per person. Take a step back in time to learn about one of the largest ancestral communities archeologists believe was occupied from A.D. 1050 to 1200. Inside, find a display of artifacts and belongings of this people. Outside, follow a short trail to the Coombs Site Ruins and a life-size, six-room replica of a partially excavate prehistory village.

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