



DON MAMMOSER'S EXCEPTIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY TOURS

Colorado Fall Color Guided Photography Tour



Come with me to Southwest Colorado for a 6 day
Nature & Landscape Photography Experience

Where	Dates	Group Size	Cost
Ouray, Colorado	October 1-6, 2025	8 Max	\$2695 (double occupancy) Add \$395 if single



TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

Come with Don to witness and photograph amazing fall color displays in a mountain paradise. Learn how to photograph grand landscapes and intimate nature scenes from a professional. Immerse yourself in your scenic photography craft while traveling in the most scenic area of Colorado. This is an awesome nature experience and photographic journey that will speak to your soul and stay in your memory for a long, long time.

- An evening meet and greet at the designated hotel in Ouray, Colorado
- Sunrise and late evening/sunset photo excursions each day of the tour
- Amazing autumn color displays everywhere you look
- Incredibly scenic high mountains surrounding us at every turn
- Tons of time with your leader, Don, a long-time Colorado resident, area expert and author of 3 Colorado-related books
- Backcountry location knowledge of 'hidden' & 'secret' places for photography - join this tour and get away from the crowds
- A chance to work on both your grand landscape & intimate landscape techniques
- Solo or group walks in and amongst the wonderful fall colors
- Classroom or group get-togethers for image sharing and critiques
- Wonderful lodging located right in the heart of the mountain scenery



ROUGH ITINERARY OUTLINE

Wednesday October 1, 2025

We'll meet at the hotel in Ouray, the Quality Inn at 6:00pm today for initial introductions, trip logistics, safety briefing etc. Dinner tonight will be on your own or possibly as a group with individual pay at a nearby restaurant.



The nearest airport for those flying in is Grand Junction (code GJT) about a two hour drive away from Ouray. Denver airport (code DEN) is also possible and about 6 hours away. Book your flight to either airport, but Grand Junction is certainly easiest.

Both airports have rental vehicles available. While not required (as we'll carpool) a rental vehicle is useful for this trip and a higher clearance SUV or truck type vehicle is also nice to have as we'll be driving on numerous dirt roads to our shooting locations.

Ouray is on Mountain Standard Time so there won't be much time difference wherever you come from in North America (2 hours at most).

Your room at the hotel will be available for check-in during the afternoon. If you arrive early and your room isn't ready you can store your luggage at reception and visit the very walkable town of Ouray. We meet at reception at 6pm.





Thursday October 2, 2025

Early breakfast either on your own in town or at the hotel. Then be ready with all your gear for an early morning photo shoot. We'll carpool and caravan together with 2 or 3 vehicles and Don will lead the way. Exact shooting location won't be disclosed here but will be scenic and within



an hour's drive from Ouray. Once we arrive on location Don will discuss the shot possibilities and demonstrate or help with camera and lens settings or whatever you might need. Shooting locations could be as high as 10,000 feet in altitude so be prepared for cold. When the light fades or we finish up for the morning, we'll drive back to town. There will be time to get a meal at any place you choose in Ouray, and then a possible group get-together for image sharing/critique or to discuss post processing of images, etc.

During the afternoon we'll load up the vehicles again and drive to another location chosen by Don. Again it will be scenic and not disclosed here. Don can help you individually if you wish and some of the landscape techniques we could discuss include use of tripods, best composition practices, 'seeing' the light, stitching panoramas, HDR, or whatever you wish. We'll drive back to the hotel after the light fades.



Friday October 3, 2025

Today you'll want to be prepared for a scenic photography adventure as we start out at sunrise and then continue driving and stopping along my favorite backcountry byway. This road has gorgeous sights all along the way and we'll stop often to photograph. Towards



lunchtime we'll be in the mountain town of Telluride and we'll go for an individual pay, group lunch. After relaxing a bit and exploring Telluride we'll drive south of town for more incredible views and fall color photos. We then head back to our home base of Ouray where we'll have the option of a group image critique or a landscape photography class session.

Saturday October 4, 2025

We'll get out early for a photo session at a high mountain pass, then we'll explore a nearby lake area which can be a good place to practice either intimate landscapes or macro photography. The drive back to Ouray will tempt us to stop at every turn but we should be back in time for a meal on your own and then a rest period as we've been going non-stop until now.

This late afternoon and evening will find us heading out to one of my favorite little mountain lakes where perfect color reflections are possible. Since it's not far from town you'll be able to get back after shooting for a well-deserved dinner in town.



Sunday October 5, 2023



Today is our last full day together and I have another great early morning location to start with and then we'll drive, explore and photograph a backcountry road that hardly anyone knows about. If the weather and light cooperate we can stay out until hunger forces us back to town. At the hotel we have another open afternoon for an image critique session and then a bit of down time. Tonight we'll go to a nice restaurant in Ouray and we'll enjoy an individual pay group dinner together.



Monday October 6, 2025

We'll get out early again for one last location shoot. While this place doesn't showcase the sunrise because of high mountains all around, those high mountains all around are amazingly impressive and make for great photos. Yellow aspens should be surrounding us as well. We'll set up a group photo so we can all remember who shared all these moments with us this week and then the tour will end back in Ouray. Pack up and head off to your home or your next destination.



Thank you for joining me!

WHAT TO EXPECT ON THIS TRIP

- amazing fall color - principally aspen trees, but also cottonwoods and others as well
- comfortable lodging located in the heart of southwest Colorado
- incredibly scenic mountains surrounding us at every turn
- all photo locations are near where we can park our vehicles, so this trip is suitable for all fitness levels
- as much or as little photography instruction/help as you want
- equipment knowledge and help from your leader
- group camaraderie, group image sharing, and group critiques of images
- tons of landscape and intimate scene photography opportunities
- super fun times with a small group of like-minded photographers
- an enthusiastic, knowledgeable leader who will be with you the entire time and who will get you excited and prepared to capture the best possible images



INCLUDED

NOT INCLUDED

Instruction by professional photographer/leader	Flights from your home town to Colorado & back
5 nights lodging (a single room is \$395 additional)	Early arrival or late stay lodging nights
Breakfast each day if offered by our hotel	Meals, unless offered by our hotel
Possible car sharing/pooling organized by Don	Ground transportation
Guided sunrise and late evening photo shoots	Alcohol or soda type drinks
Group critique and photo sharing sessions	Trip insurance
Local knowledge to get you to the right spot	Anything not listed under 'included'

PAYMENT TERMS

To secure your spot on this tour and in order to meet my obligations to the hotel in Ouray, there is a deposit of US\$1500 required. The remaining tour balance of US\$1195 (US\$1590 for single occupancy) is payable no later than July 1, 2025.

Your deposit is due upon booking and will secure your place for the trip.

CANCELLATION

Cancellation by me

While Don Mammoser Photo Tours will make every effort to operate the trip as scheduled, I do reserve the right to cancel it at any time due to insufficient bookings and/or reasons beyond my control that might create unsafe or undesirable travel conditions for the participants, including travel restrictions imposed on citizens by the US Government, etc. In such case, I'll postpone the tour or issue a full refund at my discretion. However, the financial liability of Don Mammoser shall be limited to the amount paid to me for the trip only and shall not be extended to cover any other associated travel costs incurred (e.g. non-refundable air tickets, visa fees if applicable, clothing, equipment, miscellaneous transportation costs, medical expenses, travel insurance premiums, etc.)



Cancellation by you

I understand that sometimes people need to make last minute cancellations due to illness, family, or business matters. Unfortunately, I am unable to make last minute refunds or provide credit on future workshops due to these last minute cancellations. A trip insurance policy that covers “cancel for any reason” is highly recommended.

- If you cancel 90 days or more prior to the workshop or tour start date, AND I can fill your space(s), all money, except \$250 from your deposit, will be refunded.
- If you cancel 60-90 days prior to workshop or tour start date, AND I can fill your space(s), 50% of money, and minus \$250 from your deposit, will be refunded.
- If you cancel less than 60 days prior to the workshop or tour start date, there is no refund.

Tours will always be rescheduled to another date before being cancelled due to impacts of Covid 19 or similar global pandemics. It is VERY important that for tours which require you to fly in order to get there, you DO NOT purchase non-refundable flight tickets until you are told by me that the tour is a “go” and there are enough people signed up to make it work.

OTHER QUESTIONS

Please don't hesitate to email me or call or text me 303-906-5102 with any questions.