

A large crowd of people is gathered at a concert at Red Rocks Amphitheatre. The iconic red rock formation is visible in the background, illuminated by warm lights. The crowd is dense and diverse, with many people wearing hats and casual clothing. The scene is captured from a low angle, looking up at the rock formation and the audience.

# **HOW TO *ROCK* RED ROCKS!**

**a guide  
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# Elevation: 6,450 feet

Surrounding the amphitheater are 860 acres of open space including hiking trails, the Trading Post, visitor center, and the Colorado Music Hall of Fame.







**Pietro Satriano and his 25-piece brass band played the first show at Red Rocks in 1906. Other notable concerts include: The Beatles, John Denver, Radiohead, Jimi Hendrix, Johnny Cash, Bruce Springsteen, The Eagles, and Coldplay.**



# TRANSPORTATION

## Tame the Traffic: How to Get to Red Rocks Hassle-Free

Transportation is key to conquering the Red Rocks experience. Red Rocks offers a variety of shuttles to suit your style and budget. The convenient RRX Shuttle picks up from various Denver locations. Want to party on the way? Grab a spot on a Bus Party Co vehicle rolling out of RiNo. Traveling with a group? Pamper yourselves with a Party @ Red Rocks Private Ride. For a classic option, Bus To Show offers converted school buses at a budget-friendly price. Feeling fancy? Rent a party bus from Turtle Bus or 303 Party Bus for a customized journey to the concert.

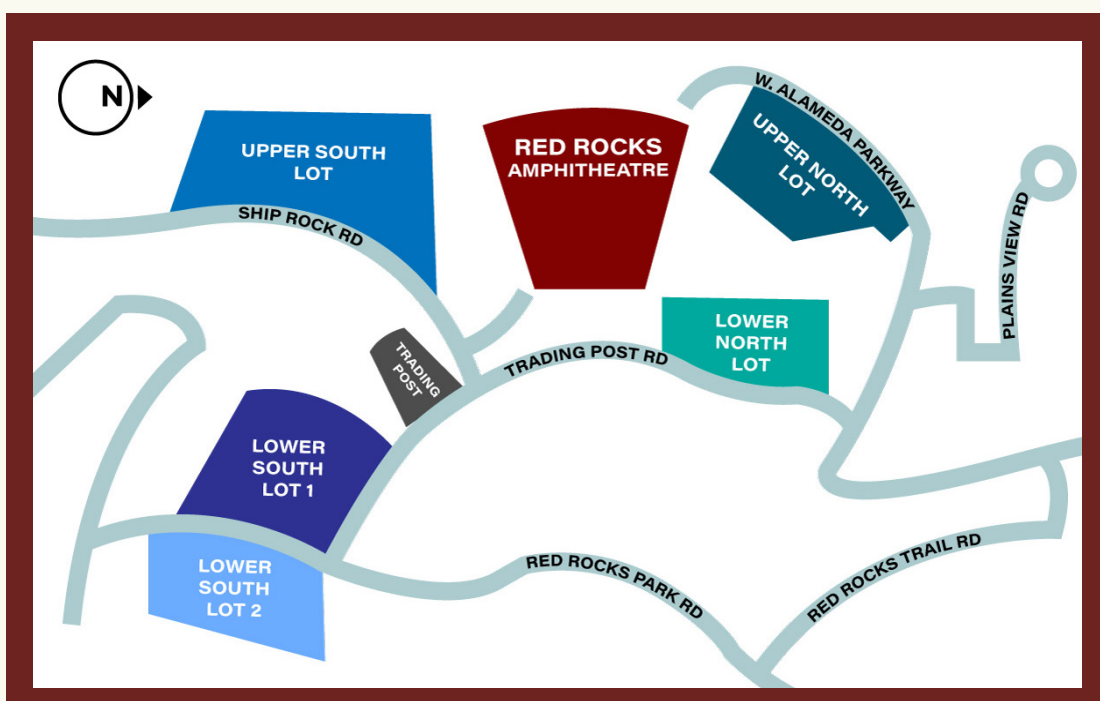
While shuttles offer a stress-free solution, ride-sharing services like Uber and Lyft are also available. Be prepared for potential surge pricing after the show, especially on weekends.

Driving yourself is an option, but parking can fill up quickly, especially for sold-out shows. Arrive very early to secure a spot and plan for potential delays. Tailgating in the parking lot is a fun pre-show tradition at Red Rocks, but remember, designated drivers are essential if you partake!

Traffic around Red Rocks can get heavy, especially before and after the show. Factor in travel time (both driving and walking up to the venue) when planning. Shuttles typically drop you off and pick you up at designated locations, saving you the hassle of navigating post-show traffic.

If you have general admission tickets, arriving early is crucial to claiming your spot. The lower sections of the venue fill up fast and can get crowded, with two people per row – one on the ledge and one standing behind. The higher sections offer more breathing room, so the choice depends on your preference for proximity to the stage versus personal space. For reserved seating shows, double-check your ticket section to avoid any confusion upon arrival.

By planning your transportation and arrival time, you can avoid the common Red Rocks pitfalls and focus on enjoying the incredible music and atmosphere at this legendary venue.





Bar



Merch



Restroom

# SEATING

**Most Expensive**

**Best View**



**VIP Guests**

**Accessible Seating**



# WEATHER WARNING!

Despite its beauty, Red Rocks is notorious for unpredictable chills and surprise downpours. The golden rule: bring a jacket, preferably a rain jacket, because statistics say there's a high chance you'll need it. Don't be fooled by a warm forecast – evenings get cool, and mountain weather changes fast. Pro tip: ditch Denver's forecast and check Morrison's instead – those foothills have their own weather whims, and it's much closer to the venue. So layer up, be prepared for a potential sprinkle or a whole shower, and focus on enjoying the music. Rain or shine, Red Rocks puts on a show!



# CONCERT DO'S AND DON'TS:

## DO:

- **Capture Memories:** Take photos and videos of the concert to remember the experience, but be mindful of not obstructing others.
- **Support the Artists:** Purchase official merchandise from the performing artists to show your support.
- **Respect Fellow Concertgoers:** Be courteous to those around you by refraining from pushing, shoving, or engaging in disruptive behavior.
- **Explore the Surroundings:** Take some time to appreciate the natural beauty of Red Rocks and explore the surrounding area before the concert.
- **Plan Ahead:** Arrive early to allow time for parking, security checks, and finding your seat, so you can relax and enjoy the show without feeling rushed.
- **Bring essentials:** Pack empty, reusable water bottles and snacks in a clear plastic bag (one gallon or less).
- **Bring comfortable shoes:** You'll be doing a lot of walking at Red Rocks, so wear comfortable shoes. Those stairs are no joke!
- **Share Responsibly:** If you post concert content on social media, consider tagging the venue and the performers, and use hashtags to share the excitement with others.

## DON'T:

- **Block Views:** Avoid holding up large signs or other obstructive objects that could block the view of others.
- **Forget your ID:** You'll need a valid ID to enter the venue, especially if you plan on purchasing alcohol.
- **Ignore Seating Assignments:** If the concert has reserved seating, respect the assignments and avoid occupying seats that are not yours, even if they appear unclaimed!
- **Throw Objects:** Refrain from throwing objects into the seating area or onto the stage, as this can pose a safety hazard to performers and attendees.
- **Leave Trash Behind:** Dispose of your trash properly and help keep Red Rocks clean by picking up after yourself before you leave.
- **Ignore Safety Guidelines:** Pay attention to safety announcements from venue staff in case of weather emergencies and evacuation procedures.
- **Leave early:** You might miss an encore or a special guest appearance! Stick around and enjoy the entire performance.
- **Forget to have fun:** Relax, soak in the atmosphere of this iconic venue, and enjoy the music!



# UPCOMING SHOWS:

- June 1 - Joe Russo's Almost Dead
- June 2 - James Taylor
- June 3 - James Taylor
- June 4 - All Time Low
- June 5 - Ian Munsick
- June 6 - Brit Floyd
- June 7 - Sarah McLachlan
- June 8 - Big Head Todd & The Monsters
- June 9 - Trevor Hall w/ Colorado Symphony
- June 11 - Maren Morris
- June 12 - Whiskey Myers
- June 13 - Whiskey Myers
- June 14 - Steve Martin & Martin Short
- June 15 - Umphrey's McGee
- June 16 - Kaleo
- June 17 - Parcels
- June 18 - Kevin Gates
- June 19 - Matt Rife
- June 20 - Cavetown, Mother Mother
- June 21 - Widespread Panic
- June 22 - Widespread Panic
- June 23 - Widespread Panic
- June 25 - Ryan Bingham
- June 26 - Third Eye Blind, Yellowcard
- June 27 - Diana Ross
- June 28 - Damian & Stephen Marley
- June 29 - 311
- June 30 - Nas w/ Colorado Symphony

