



LOWRY PUEBLO - SOUTHWEST COLORADO



Rating: Roadside Attraction

Length: 1+ hours

Maps: RUIN CANYON, CO

Water: None

Season: Any

Waypoints:

Lowry Pueblo

12S 683650mE 4161783mN

N37° 35' 05" W108° 55' 12"

Hype

Dating back to before 1060AD, the Lowry Pueblo is an impressive 40+ room pueblo. The ruins are named after local homesteader George Lowry and were excavated in the 1930s.

Today the pueblo is protected as a Historic Landmark, with a modern roof covering some of the ruins. Many of the walls and kivas are still in excellent shape. The relatively nearby Chaco Canyon inspired the construction techniques. There are, however, local techniques and styles in the construction as well. Some of the structures were as tall as three stories! It is believed it was last occupied in the 1200's AD and may have been home to as many as 100 people at a time.

Lowry Pueblo is one of the more impressive and fascinating sites I have visited, and not to be missed if in the area. For me, the most remarkable feature is the nearly 50' kiva.

Tags: *roadside, indian ruins, dog friendly, family friendly, access: paved*

Trailhead

From the small town of Pleasant View, CO, follow County Road CC west toward for 8.3 miles. Turn south here on Country Road 7.25, which is signed Lowry Pueblo. The parking area is 0.25 miles ahead.

Route

From the parking area, there are informational signs and paths that visit much of the pueblo.

