

Out & About

WHERE TO GO, WHAT TO SEE, AND HOW TO START THE YEAR

| ON THE ROAD |

NO SKIS NEEDED

Imagine zooming over a pristine, powdery crevasse at up to 28 miles per hour without clicking into a single boot or binding. That's the beauty of the Breath-taker Alpine Coaster in Colorado's **Aspen Snowmass** (right). Each car has its own brakes, so you can carefully finesse hairpin turns and soar down steep drops (aspensnowmass.com). Here, three more mountain highs.



📍 CORTLAND, NEW YORK

Swap slopes for ropes: The zip-line tour at **Hope Lake Lodge and Greek Peak Mountain Resort** sends you gliding between treetops 65 feet above the ground. Look down (if you dare) while racing a friend to the finish. hopelakelodge.com

📍 PARK CITY, UTAH

Book dinner at **Deer Valley Resort's** Empire Canyon Lodge, where creamy raclette cheese and chocolate fondues are melted to order in five floor-to-ceiling fireplaces. deervalley.com

📍 TETON VILLAGE, WYOMING

Miles upon miles of undeveloped land make this area stellar for stargazing. Join an astronomer at **Four Seasons Jackson Hole** to explore the Milky Way through the lens of a professional-grade telescope. fourseasons.com/jacksonhole



| ON OUR BOOKSHELF |

Jump-start a resolution to read with these thought-provoking finds. If you aim to finish more novels in 2020, crack open Kiley Reid's buzzy, addictive debut, **Such a Fun Age** (Putnam)—you'll inhale it. Reid deftly reveals a surprising overlap between a twentysomething babysitter's and her well-to-do employer's very different circles, then plunks you down to wait for the collision. Craving nature? Color your world with **Floret Farm's A Year in Flowers** (Chronicle), by Erin Benzakein, a master florist and one of our original American Made honorees. She teaches how to build vibrant, textural arrangements in every season—starting now, with snowberries, amaryllis, and flowering kale. To school yourself in southern food and history, grab **Black, White, and The Grey** (Lorena Jones): It reveals the blood, sweat, and tears that James Beard Award-winning chef Mashama Bailey and her business partner, John O. Morisano, poured into turning an abandoned civil rights-era Greyhound bus station into their celebrated Savannah, Georgia, restaurant. When you're done, dig into Bailey's personal recipes.



| WHY NOT? |

Sip a Haute Cocoa

Deluxe versions take the classic warmer-upper over the top.

Seattle

Ganache made from **Bakery Nouveau's** bean-to-bar chocolate intensifies its creamy drink (above). bakerynouvea.com

Austin, Texas

Try the local favorite at **Fluff Meringues & More**: a cinnamon-spiked Mexican recipe capped with vanilla meringue. fluff-meringues.com

Chicago

Keep it light (Belgian and French white chocolate and lemon), or go deep (dark chocolate, oat milk, and maple syrup) at **Mindy's HotChocolate**. hotchocolatechicago.com

New York City

A frothy blend of walnut and oat milks comes with cookie crumbles on top at **Maman**, a rustic hot spot. mamannyc.com