

A fanciful drawing of the W.T. Luther residence from 1882, which eventually became the main building of the Downieville River Inn

# The Downieville River Inn & Resort

We are proud to welcome you to our scenic mountain village and have you as our guest. Please let us know, if there is anything that we can do to make your stay more enjoyable

We've prepared this directory to give you a little insight into our community and to help acquaint you with our resort policies, amenities and services.

Your thoughts and comments are appreciated as these help us to continually improve our accommodations and service.

Thank you for making us part of your Downieville experience.

\*\*\*\*\* The Management & Staff

We ask that you please leave this directory for our next guest. An on-line copy of this directory can be found on our website. www.downeivilleriverinn.com

# **For Your Convenience**

## **OFFICE HOURS**

8am to 8pm – For early checkouts please be sure your bill is paid the night before and leave keys either in your room or in the red return box, just outside the office door.

#### **CHECK IN & CHECK OUT TIMES**

Checkout time is 11am. Check in time is 3pm. You may leave the key in the room or return to the office – non returned keys will be charged \$25.

#### **INTERNET/WIFI ACCESS**

The SSID of "River Inn" is open and does not require a password. The SSID of "DVRI Guest" requires a password. Ask the Office Manager for the current password on your visit.

#### HOUSEKEEPING

No housekeeping services are available after 2pm. Please clean your dishes in our kitchen units.

# **Our Policies On:**

#### **SMOKING**

Our inn is a smoke free property. Thank you for not smoking on the premises. Violations within rooms will be charged a \$250 cleaning/loss of income fee. We suggest smokers use the bench and table areas across the street on the levee.

## **TELEPHONE**

Downieville has an AT&T cell tower so AT&T cellular phone service in town is solid. Verizon has spotty coverage, while T-Mobile is non-existent. Wifi calling is typical and common at the Inn. During office hours, a phone is available for brief guest use with a calling card or for collect calls. Incoming calls will be taken as messages only.

#### POOL

The swimming pool is heated in season (May – Oct) and open to all registered inn guests. Pool hours are from 11am to 9pm. **Please do not remove the pool cover yourself**, if the pool is covered, inquire at the office. There is no lifeguard on duty and an adult must accompany children under 14. Please read all safety instructions and **DO NOT JUMP OR DIVE INTO THE POOL.** 

#### **SAUNA**

Our wet/dry Finnish style sauna is located across from the pool. Note that it may take about 45-60 minutes to initially heat up.

## BIKES

Please do not bring dirty bikes inside and do not lubricate bikes inside. A bike wash and service area is available, located near the sauna. RAG TOWELS are available in your room and typically dyed blue – DO NOT USE OUR WHITE TOWELS to clean greasy or muddy equipment. **Extra charges will apply for ruined or stained towels.** Please do not wear cleated bike shoes inside the rooms.

## BICYCLES

Fleet of cruiser bicycles are available for our guest's use, no charge. You can identify them with the "I Love DVRI" bike plates. Just grab and go.

## FISHING GEAR

PLEASE, if you must bring your fishing tackle inside, be sure to keep track of your hooks – they're dangerous!

## **BARBECUES**

Both gas and charcoal barbecues are available to all guests – supply your own charcoal.

# ICE

Ice cubes for drinks are able from the ice machine located near the sauna. Ice is for room buckets only. **PLEASE DO NOT FILL COOLERS**. Bagged ice for coolers is available in town at the grocery store.

## FILTERED WATER STATION

Located above the ice machine in the Sauna building. Water within our units is drinkable, guests may just prefer and enjoy the additional filtration.

## PARKING

One space per room please, additional vehicles please park on the street. Please do not wash your car in our parking areas.

## **Electrical Vehicle Charging (EVC) Stations**

A Tesla (240v) charging station is available for registered guests near unit #14. We also have 2 standard external electric plug outlets (120v) next to unit #15 which can be used by other EVs with their own electrical cords and adapters. There is no fee for charging and is on a first come, first server basis.

# PETS

Pets are allowed except within unit #2 and unit #11. There is just a \$30 per pet fee per visit. Pets are NOT allowed on furniture and must be kept QUIET and ON LEASH at all times will at the inn and in the neighborhood. Do not allow pets on the neighboring properties, and pick up after your pet. There is a pet station providing bags near the Tesla as well as one on the levee. Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES are pets to be left alone in the room or your vehicle. **Pet sitters** may be available – please inquire at the office. There are many nearby walks where you CAN take your pets off leash, inquire at the office. If your pet gets wet or dirty please use the rag towels provided to clean & dry them. **Charges will apply for extra cleaning or damage to the rooms or guest towels**.

### LAUNDRY

There is a laundromat at the gas station in town.

### RAGS

We typically provide blue rag towels in your unit which can be used for any messy cleanups – If rag towels are not found within your unit then please inquire at the office or with housekeeping. Please do not use our guest towels for messy cleanups – extra charges will be applied for ruined or stained towels.

#### LOUD NOISE

Everyone is here to have a good time, but please be considerate of your fellow guests. Loud voices and radios are annoying and inconsiderate. If you're an early riser please remember others would like to sleep in, and, if you're a late-nighter, kindly remember others retire early. A little consideration for others will be appreciated by all, including the management.

*ITEMS FORGOTTEN* can be mailed COD + \$10 handling charge.

#### ROKU

Remote is available in each room for our flat screen TVs. Preconfigured and connected to our wifi internet for video streaming. Please use your own login userid and accounts during your stay.

## SCREEN SAVERS

Our flat screen TVs have the screensaver loaded with over 100 pictures highlighting the Downieville history, points of interest, annual community events and outdoor activities.

Games, puzzles and books are available in the office, first come, first served.

# **Activities & Recreation**

#### **FISHING**

The North Yuba and its tributaries offer excellent trout fishing. Open season on the river from the last Saturday in April until mid November. Day and season licenses can be purchased in town at the hardware store. Guide services are available with prior arrangement. Information on current conditions and hatches, flies, bait & tackle is available at Sierra Hardware.

#### **MOUNTAIN BIKING**

The area trails are famous for hiking and mountain biking. Downieville has two local bike shops that are open seasonally for shuttles to the "Downieville Downhill", rentals, repairs and local trail information. Trail information and maps are also available at the Inn office.

#### HIKING

Area trails range from an easy stroll along the river and arduous hikes on the Pacific Trail and Sierra Buttes. Follow our many rivers and creeks built by the first mining settlers. Many old mines and historic settings can be found. Trail maps and information are available at the Inn office.

#### **RAFTING & KYAKING**

During the spring runoff rafting trips can be arranged on the North Fork of the Yuba. This scenic river offers challenging class 4 & 5 rapids. Kyakers enjoy the North Yuba as well as the Downie, Pauley and Lavezolla Creeks.

### **GOLD PANNING**

Public panning is permitted within town limits of Downieville, and equipment is available to loan our guests. The North Fork of the Yuba River between Downieville and Sierra City, and at the confluence of the Downie and Yuba rivers in Downieville have continued to delight today's prospector with good flakes and occasional nuggets. Reports come in fairly regularly describing large nuggets or many nuggets pulled from this stretch of the North Yuba River. Visit the Comstock Gold Prospectors' website (cgpgold.org) for the various claims accessible in our area

#### **SNOWSPORTS**

Winter season brings good snow to the higher elevations a short distance above Downieville. A large network of groomed trails is available for multiple use with trailheads at Bassetts and Yuba Pass. Cross Country Ski and Showshoe only trails, such as the Lunch Creek Loop, are well marked offering outdoor serenity and spectacular views. Snow Mobiling from Bassetts and the Yuba pass is also very popular. At Bassetts there is free parking available, while from Yuba Pass, you will need to purchase a parking pass (day or seasonal permit) to park (ohv.parks.ca.gov/?page\_id=26911) from November 1<sup>st</sup> through May 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### **RIDING STABLES**

Reid Horse & Cattle Company is open seasonally, offering guided trail rides and pack trips from Gold Lake Stables. Retrace the trails of early pioneers with scenic views of the pristine lakes and Sierra Nevada Mountains

Please be kind to our forests and pack your trash out with you.

# Services

### **Downieville Services**

Sierra County Emergency/Fire Dispatch (530) 289-3333 Western Sierra Medical Clinic – M-F 8am-5pm 289-3298 Sierra County Sheriffs Office – 289-3700 – located at the Courthouse behind the Inn. Or in emergency call 911 US Post Office – Main Street, Downieville – 289-3575 Catholic Church – Sunday services at 11:30am Methodist Church – Assembly of God Sunday services Downieville Library – Open Tuesday 10-2 and Thursday 12-4 – 530 289-3544 Downieville Museum - May through October – 530 289-3506 11 am until 4 pm. Hours vary during times of inclement weather.

### **Local Businesses**

Saint Charles Place - cocktails, billards - 289-3237 Downieville Grocery – meats, produce, deli, beer & wine – 289-3596 Empire Creek Provisions - Grocery Store · Gift Shop · Clothing store - 862-5043 Sierra Hardware – old time hardware store, fishing tackle and licenses - 289-3582 La Sierra Boutique – full service hair, nails, facial, massage -289-3504Feather's Flowers- seasonal, Local flora, flowers, main street Mountain Messenger – local weekly newspaper – 289-3262 La Cantina – 289-3584 Sabrina's Café – 289-0155 Cold Rush Coffee/Ice Cream Shop - 862-5043 Boomtown Lounge & Backyard - 862-5043 **Two Rivers Café** – 289-3540 JADAA's Kitchen – 435-6089

Mountain Biking Big Boulder Adventures Shuttles 530-277-7559 Downieville Outfitters Shuttles, Rentals, Service, Parts & Gear 530-862-0103

## **Rafting Companies**

Tributary Whitewater Tours 800-672-3846 Whitewater Voyages 800-488-7238

*Riding Stables* Reid Horse & Cattle Company 530-836-0940

# Attractions

# Area Museums

Downieville Museum Open seasonally – May to October Downieville Foundry Museum Open seasonally –shown by appointment Kentucky Mine Museum (Sierra City) www.sierracountyhistory.org With an operating stamp mill – open seasonally Goodyears Bar Schoolhouse Museum (Goodyears Bar) www.goodyearsbar.com Open Seasonally, free to public 11am to 3pm. Sept 1st to June 30th by appointment only

# Sheriffs Gallows, Downieville

Although Juanita was hanged from the Durgan Bridge in 1852, the original sheriffs gallows, which were once used to carry out legal justice, and are on display near the Sierra County Sheriffs Office.

The Lakes Basin – 45 pristine alpine lakes and spectacular views of the Sierra Buttes
Sierra Valley – The largest alpine valley in North America, historic ranches
Forest City – Nationally registered historic buildings
Alleghany – Active Sixteen to one Gold Mine
(www.origsix.com) and Casey's Place saloon established in 1890s.

## **DINING GUIDE**

**Two Rivers Café** 

La Cantina

Cold Rush

Sabrina's Café

**Boomtown Lounge & Backyard** 

JADAA's Kitchen

**Downieville Grocery** 

**Coyote Creek Kitchen (Currently CLOSED)** 

### **Grubsteak Saloon (Currently CLOSED)**

#### Things to Do in Downieville

Walk around town, stroll across bridges, viewing historical buildings, the rivers, the gallows, the cemetery and historical plaques.

Hike to the Pauly Creek waterfall, Chimney Rock, Devil Posts, or along the North Yuba River Trail to Goodyears Bar/Rocky Crest.

Tour the Downieville Museum or the oldest publishing newspaper in California, The Mountain Messenger.

Enjoy a meal at the local Two Rivers Cafe/Pizza, Cantina or Sabrina's Cafe while overlooking the Downie or Yuba River.

Bike Ride one of the many single track trails. Bring your own bike or rent from the Sierra Outfitters or Yuba Expeditions in town. Or, take one of their shuttles to Packer Saddle to ride the Downhill (~8,000 elevation to 3,000 in 12 miles).

Fish or swim in the Downie or Yuba River. Or as a guest of Downieville River Inn, swim in their calm, pristine swimming pool and lay out on a lounge chair.

Time your trip to enjoy one of the annual events (Independence Day, Mountain Brewfest, Clampers, Kentucky Mine Music Series, Banff Film festival or Downieville Downhill Classic Mountain Bike Race).

Take a drive to visit the nearby Sierra City to tour the Kentucky Mine/Museum, or view the Sierra Buttes in the Lake Basin Area. For extra credit hike to the Sierra Buttes Lookout Tower or a portion of the Pacific Crest Trail to Loves Falls. Attend service at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church or Methodist Church on Sunday.

Visit historic St Charles Bar for a libation, enjoy their back riverview deck and rub elbows with locals or other visitors.

Take a deep breathe, and relax from a front porch or balcony of the Downieville River Inn. Or take a stroll along the river's edge from the Inn to the local swimming/fishing hole (Willoughby's). Sit on one of the park benches overlooking the river. Smell the pines of the surrounding Tahoe National Forest with the soothing sound of the confluence of the North Yuba and Downie River as your backdrop and smile!