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Food lovers and outdoors fans, here's your next road-trip destination from Denver

Head to Jackson Hole for the mountains and lakes, but also restaurants, slosies and craft brews

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Coloradans already have Aspen, Telluride and Crested Butte. But there is one place within driving distance from Denver that stole my heart this time last summer for its combination of stunning scenery and charming food. During a weeklong visit late last June to the western Wyoming valley of Jackson Hole, I discovered a breathtaking landscape from which to enjoy old Western haunts and modern American restaurants alike.

The week started in the town of Jackson (farthest south and most well-known in the valley) and continued with surprises heading north to Grand Teton National Park, stopping along the way in Wilson and Moose (the latter located at the edge of designated parkland and boasting some spectacular views).

One lovely surprise for a light dinner was [Bin22](#), which serves up charcuterie, cheeses and small plates to share, and allows customers to browse the attached bottle shop before or after their meals. Here, you can pick out a wine for your dinner (and another to take home), and the selection is impressive, with hundreds of bottles in a range of price points, so you can look but also buy.

[The Kitchen](#) features a raw bar and pretty-plated meat and seafood cuts for a main course.

The newest option in Jackson, overlooking the town square, is [The Cloudveil](#), an Autograph Collection hotel. Its swanky rooms come with fireplaces, and the hotel has a popular new restaurant, The Bistro (rooms start at \$837).