





Accommodations include lodge rooms, cabins and cottages.

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Six Reasons Family Reunion Planners Choose West Virginia's Canaan Valley Resort

DAVIS, W.Va., March 20, 2017 - <u>Canaan Valley Resort</u> in north central West Virginia's Allegheny Mountains has been hosting family reunions since the resort opened 45 years ago. With that much practice, the resort knows a thing or two about how to stage a successful reunion.

"Regardless of whether it is a mega gathering of far-flung relatives or a small group of a few families, fun is always on the agenda here," said



Golf is one of the lodge's popular activities.



The area's natural beauty is easy to enjoy from the top of the ski hill.

Steve Drumheller, general manager of Canaan Valley Resort. "Our professional meeting staff will help take the hassle out of coordinating the family reunion event so that planners can enjoy their vacation just as much as the rest of the family does."

Drumheller noted that the resort's sales staff always asks reunions to provide feedback and their responses are surprisingly consistent. "In a nutshell, they really like us," said Drumheller.

For more information about staging a family reunion at Canaan Valley Resort contact Ryan Rosenau, (304) 866-2213, rosenaur@canaanresort.com.

Here are the six top reasons that reunion planners say they choose Canaan Valley Resort.

Location. For families scattered across the country, easy travel to a reunion location is a priority. Canaan Valley Resort is within an easy drive of major cities throughout the Mid-Atlantic, Midwest and Southeast. Washington, D.C. is only 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ hours away. Pittsburgh is a three-hour drive. Baltimore is four hours. Columbus, Ohio is a five-hour drive.

Accommodations. Canaan Valley Resort completed a major renovation in 2013 that added two wings with 160 new lodge rooms of varying configurations. The resort also features two- to four-bedroom cabins with fully equipped kitchens, deluxe cottages and a campground.

Affordable. The resort's reasonable room and meal pricing is appealing to families on a budget, and it is often refreshing to travelers who are used to paying big-city prices for services and accommodations. The resort's meeting staff works with planners on strategies to keep prices low even during peak summer months.

Fun for everyone. As a year-round destination with golf, mountain biking, skiing, ice skating, a scenic chairlift, nature programs, sporting clay shooting range, swimming and more, Canaan Valley Resort offers an adventure for every member of the family.

Charm. Canaan Valley Resort is located near the towns of Davis and Thomas. With their roots in logging and mining, both towns have been transformed into tourist destinations with an abundance of restaurants, shops, galleries and venues for live music and other events.

Natural Beauty. With its location in the highest valley east of the Rockies, the resort offers spectacular mountain views. There are a variety of naturalist-led programs such as guided hikes and stargazing events at Canaan Valley State park as well as nearby Dolly Sods Wilderness Area, Canaan Valley Wildlife Refuge and Blackwater Falls State Parks.

Canaan Valley Resort is owned by the state of West Virginia and managed by Sioux Falls, S.D.-based U.S. Hotels and Resort Management, Inc., which operates hotels, resorts, state park lodges, golf courses and restaurants in 13 states throughout the West and Midwest.

For more information, visit the website or call 1-800-622-4121. Travelers can connect with Canaan Valley Resort on Facebook, Twitter and Flickr, and by signing up for special email offers and a blog.

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