

What people are saying about Planet Bluegrass...

The Press...

The people in the Planet Bluegrass organization have made obvious efforts to create an environment that is both family-friendly and safe for kids.
Stewart Sallo, The Boulder Weekly August 16-22, 2001

It's not quite Max Yasgurs farm...but the Planet Bluegrass festival grounds in Lyons take on a similar golden glow and back-to-the-land feel when RockyGrass is in full swing.
Greg Glasgow, The Daily Camera August 17th, 2001

The Planet Bluegrass staff consists of people who have made a choice between corporate opportunities and a chance to pave their own way doing something they love. The annual festivals reflect this passion.
Jae Binder, Inside Denver Summer Guide 2001

Musicians onstage presented with this picture-postcard scene often deliver sets far more inspired than they play in clubs and concert halls. It's never just another road gig.
John Lendorff, Rocky Mountain News June 19th, 2001

Whenever someone talks about bluegrass festivals, this is the one.
Michael Moriconi, Telluride Watch, 6/22-6/29 2001

The Artists...

I was psyched from the beginning—before I even got here, because they kept saying, “Wait till Telluride.” When I started in '82, I was just playing with NGR, and within a few years I was playing in lots of different sets. I feel like I grew up with the festival. It's like a big family that welcomed me in.
Béla Fleck, 1996

Telluride's by far my favorite festival for a number of reasons. Historically, it's really where everything came together. It's where all of our friends keep coming back every year. It's just like this big reunion and it's such a milestone in people's lives, more than any other festival.
Drew Emmitt, 1998

I feel like it's a home festival where creativity is stressed. There's not a big pressure to be limited by a certain kind of music, and actually this festival, in its attitude, has influenced most of the other bigger bluegrass/folk-type festivals. But I still think Telluride is the broadest, all the way from Bill Monroe to James Taylor. It's all encompassing. I come back every year as one of the regulars, which is really nice, to be included. I just love the audience here and the setting. It's magical. The energy is always just sublime here, even when it snows in June.
Peter Rowan, 1997

The Festivarians...

In their own words from our most recent survey...

I think all of the festivals Planet Bluegrass does are top rate. I love the telluride experience- four days & nights of pure heaven. Planet Bluegrass is awesome, organized, efficient, & friendly.

Telluride is a very special place and the Telluride Bluegrass Festival is a very special event. I live in Rhode Island and traveled to get there on the word of a friend just how wonderful it is. She did not even scratch the surface on her description. It is something to be experienced not described!

This festival is a treasure! Please don't change it to be anything other than what it is. Mellow welcoming, and musically perfect.

This was my first telluride. Not only did I thoroughly enjoy myself, I also have great memories of the four days. From meeting fellow festivarians while waiting in line each morning, to the Telluride Boy Scouts with their life saving coffee wagon, to your friendly and courteous staff- who continually reflected the attitude "Welcome to Telluride. We're glad you're here!" to the sharing of our tarp with latecomers, to the terrific bands and soloists from morning 'til night.

I'll never miss the festival for the rest of my life- an incredible experience.

I would not know how to write it down in words. It is as if my heart & spirit grows every time I get to experience Telluride Bluegrass. I have done it all here- danced, loved, liked and hoped it would happen again- it does. Thank you

I'd give up Christmas with my family if I had to choose between Rockygrass and Christmas. Thanks for turning me on to bluegrass and for providing me with some of the best weekends of my life.

I'm still feeling it! What more can I say?

The Telluride festival, because of the people I have met over the years and because of the location, has caused changes in the direction of my life that have been beyond priceless. I have the Festival to thank for some of the greatest joys in my life. Thank you.

It is such a getaway from my everyday life- I became a true Festivarian & loved every minute of it.

We travel halfway across the country to come to TBF. This was my third Festival. I can't imagine a year without making the journey. The Festival has provided me with many great memories, friendships, music & a way of life that I try & bring home with me each summer. Thanks for making it all happen!

All of your hard work and organizing skills are what makes this festival so wonderful. Please know that the crowd loves the fact that your hard work makes their playtime so relaxing.