

SHOPPING AND DINING

Coulter Cafe and General Store — Serving breakfast and lunch with organic, gluten free and vegan options with a focus on local goods. Brunch specials weekly. 9 am to 3 pm Thursday - Monday. Pick up snacks, groceries and other specialty items like local wine and beer at the attached store, open 9 am to 6 pm. Relax with a local draft beer and listen to live music on the sunny patio during summer months. (209) 878-3947 • coultercafe.com

Yosemite Gold Country Tacoria — Located on Main Street next to the post office. Open 7 days a week, 7 am to 7 pm, they serve coffee and breakfast burritos in the am and tacos, burritos, hot dogs, and sandwiches for lunch and dinner. (209) 266-4069.

Cakewalk Heirloom Baking Company—
A luxury cake shop and farm-to -table cafe with catering services. Specializing in 100% organic, locally sourced ingredients, with vegan and gluten free options. Our sourdough breads and French style pastries are created with fresh milled organic Landrace and heirloom

wheats from small family farms. We service weddings and elopements throughout Yosemite National Park and beyond. The Bakery is open year-round for weddings, special orders and private events. Farm-to-table cafe open seasonally May-October and by appointment for wedding cake tastings, small events and private dinners. (209) 878-3137 • info@cakewalkcakeshop.com

Coyote Consignment Treasures — A thrift and consignment shop with new and gently used items of clothing, shoes, kitchen and bathroom, camping and fishing gear, tools and hardware, antiques and more. Now offering propane tank exchange. Open Friday and Saturday 9–5, Sunday 10–4, Wednesday 3–7. (209) 878–3312

Fielding's Trading Post — Boutique clothing, jewelry, and hats. "Since 1987 we have been a retail seller of Native American silver jewelry and crafts, local gold specimens and gold nugget jewelry, Western hats, Zapotec and Southwest rugs, Americana collectibles, and more." Open Saturday, Sunday, and by appointment. (209) 768-6856

HISTORICAL SITES

6 Hotel Jeffery — Originally a Mexican structure built of rock and adobe, the 30-inch walls date back to 1851. It was purchased by George Jeffery in 1852 and the Jeffery family owned and operated the hotel for many years, repairing it after each of the disastrous fires which swept through Coulterville. The attached Magnolia Saloon is an untouched example of early day saloons.

The Northern Mariposa County History Center is built on the ruins of the Coulterville Hotel which was not rebuilt after the last great fire of 1899. Originally built in 1856, the buildings still possess their massive iron doors which helped preserve them through the terrible fires of Coulterville's past.

Whistling Billy is one of the most noticeable relics from Coulterville's mining days. This eight-ton Porter Locomotive was shipped around the Horn and came to Coulterville in 1897 by mule team. Purchased by the Merced Gold Mining Company for \$3,500, Billy ran on twenty-four-inch gauge track and was capable of hauling fifteen ore cars, each weighing five tons when full. Its four-mile route ran from the Mary Harrison Mine to the Potosi Mine. It was a steep and twisting climb, for which it earned the title, "Crookedest Railway in the World."

Hangman's Tree which now shades Whistling Billy is a giant gnarly oak that served as a visible warning to criminals. Of the many hangings this noble tree has supported, one of the most dramatic occurred at daybreak on March 16 of 1856, when Leon Ruiz was hanged for the vicious robbery and murder of two Chinese miners at Bear Valley, from whose sluice he had stolen more than \$600 in gold.

Barrett's Blacksmith Shop was once the place where local miners would have their tools and mining equipment made and repaired, their horses and

mules shod, and their other metallic needs fulfilled. Constructed in the early 1850s, Barrett's has served as a garage, gas station and grocery store over the years.

Old Johnny Haigh Saloon is an authentic American West saloon, complete with swinging doors and cowboys. Enjoy a cold beer or a glass of wine and take a step back into history. The Haigh family arrived in 1849 and Johnny Haigh owned and operated this saloon. Like the buildings on either side, the structure is protected against fire by a layer of dirt in the ceiling.

The IOOF (Odd Fellows Hall) is still used for lodge meetings and community events today. This two-story wood-frame structure was constructed shortly after the fire of 1899 on the site of an earlier lodge building.

Cemetery — The cemetery has been in continuous use since the 1850s. George and Margaret Coulter, founders of Coulterville, are buried in the center of this historic cemetery, just above the oak tree. Grave markers also display the names of many other Coulterville pioneer families including the Bruschis, Cuneos, Fiskes, Greeleys, Murphys, Musantes and many others.

The Sun Sun Wo Store is the lone remnant of one of the Mother Lode's largest Chinatowns. Built in 1851, the store's adobe walls were formed of soil which came from its basement excavation. Several inches of dirt were placed over the beamed ceiling which helped insulate those inside from winter cold and summer heat. It also made the ceiling fire resistant which accounts for the structure being one of the few buildings in Coulterville to survive the 1899 fire intact. The store is named after its original owners, Mow Da Sun and his son Sun Kow. The store remained in continuous operation from 1851 to 1926.