

1. **Kruznar's store.** Burned in 1894, it housed the post office and newsstand as well.
2. **Saloon.** Owned by McRae and Cobb in 1894-later, a boarding house
3. **Peabody cabin.** The oldest building still standing on Dumas Street.
4. **Blake house.** 1893
5. **Ewing house.** 1904.
6. **Residence.** Owner unknown.
7. **Cleveland house.** Ca. 1902.
8. **Residence.** Owner unknown.
9. **Royal Hotel.** 1896. This was the town's finest, three stories high and later serving as a lodge until the late 1930s, when it was torn down and recycled. Next to it is the U.S. Naval Academy memorial to James Ellsworth Kyes, commander of the *USS Leary*, which was lost in 1944. The white picket fence surrounds a fir tree he brought down from Addison's Peak and planted as a boy in the hotel garden in the 1920s.
10. **Kyes' mercantile store.** The Kyes family arrived in 1902 from the Klondike gold rush and had a major interest in business and mining. James Kyes built most 1910-1920 era mining and town structures.
11. **Monte Cristo Hotel.** 1890s. This was a false-fronted wooden structure, as were most of the buildings. Now an MCPA interpretive site.
12. **Cliff House Hotel.** 1894.
13. **Dr. Miles' cottage.** The town doctor during the 1890s had a

14. **School house.** Monte Cristo School District #70 lasted from 1893 until 1920. Classes were held here, then later in the Royal Hotel when enrollment declined. Desks and blackboards came via train from Chicago to the original wooden building.

15. **Pride Hotel.** 1890s. Named for the Pride of the Mountains mine in Glacier Basin.

16. **Assay office.** Ores had and concentrates had to be monitored constantly, and this was one of several office sites over the years.

17. **Blacksmith shop.** Equipment was built and repaired for the town. Mines had their own shops to sharpen drills and maintain machinery.

18. **Weir and Zingler cottages.** Sunday Flats was a popular area for dances and picnics, with the falls providing scenery and breezes to drive away summer insects. A popular dance pavilion also was located here.

19. **Pioneer Meat Market and milk condensery.** These were handy for people to shop as they walked up Dumas Street from the depot. The bridge over 76 Creek is long gone.

20. **Bartholomew/Kimbal house.** This 1890s house, distinctively narrow and tall, was the home of the *Monte Cristo Mountaineer*, published by James Bartholomew until 1897.

21. **Stables.** 1894. The stables housed horses that drew ore cars from the aerial tramway terminals to the concentrator.

22. **Boarding house.** 1894. This was used by concentrator and mine crews.

23. **United Companies' concentrator office building.** 1894.

24. **United Companies' concentrator.** 1894. It processed ore, removing waste rock to lessen shipping costs. Standing five stories high, it had twin sets of machinery to crush and screen the ore ever finer. The building was scrapped in 1917 for the war effort.

25. **Boston-American concentrator.** This was built to process ore from the Justice and Boston-American mines, the town's unsuccessful last attempt at producing gold. Abandoned in 1920, it never was used.

26. **Boston-American Mining Company bunkhouse.** 1917.



27. **Boston-American Mining Co. cookhouse.** Built in 1917, it later served as the Monte Cristo lodge until it burned under suspicious circumstances in March 1983. This fire and resultant vandalism led to the creation of the Monte Cristo Preservation Association the following month.

28. **Sawmill/Railway depot.** This building was used to cut lumber for both the town and mines. With the arrival of trains in September 1893 it became the depot.

29. **Water tower.** This was used to fill boilers of the four steam locomotives on the Everett & Monte Cristo Railway.

30. **Railway turntable.** 1893. The device was used to rotate locomotives to head them back down the valley. It is the best preserved artifact in the town and still works!

31. **Railway shed.** 1893. Rolling stock was serviced and repaired here. One locomotive was stranded in Monte Cristo for three years after the November 1897 flood.

32. **Building.** Possibly a residence, this is on the old wagon road from Sauk City on the Skagit River, built to serve the town before the railway arrived.

33. **Cabin sized large rock.** This boulder is a major landmark and helps in locating sites in old photographs.

34. **Washington Hotel.** 1894. A number of buildings were located in this vicinity below the railway yards, including housing for the Japanese section crew employed from 1900 on by the Northern Pacific Railroad.

35. **Cleveland-Campbell saloon.** 1895. Donald Trump's grandfather had his real estate office nearby.

36. **L.J.F. Erickson house.** After constructing his house on the Sauk Lode mining claim, Erickson was killed in November 1894.

37. **Rattler Saloon.**

38. **Ella Church and Seldon Ayers Building.**

39. **Riddle house.** The town's finest residence was built for Charles A. Riddle of the Boston-American Mining Co. in 1919. It burned in 1944.

40. **Forest Service cabins.** With the old railway yards now a parking lot after World War II, these were built in the 1950s by Del and Rosemary Wilkie, who operated their resort business from 1951 until 1963. The power house provided hydro electricity generated by a Pelton wheel, serving the lodge and rental cabins.

#### X. Information center (seasonal)

#### Camping areas near the Monte Cristo Townsite

Name	Distance	Toilet	Trail #
Monte Cristo	0.0 miles	Y	
Glacier Basin	3.0 miles	N	719
Silver Lake	4.4 miles	N	708
Haps Hill	2.0 miles	Y	
Twin Bridges area	3.0 miles	N	
Weden Creek/Gothic Basin	6.6 miles	N	724



### Historical landmark description of the Monte Cristo area in 1994

Through the efforts of the Rivers Network and the Monte Cristo Preservation Association in 1984, Congress appropriated funds to purchase the holdings of the Monte Cristo Resort, Inc. These holdings included mining claims in Glacier Basin, others in 76 Basin, much of the upper townsite and the former parking lot area.

*Please note: that most of the former townsite and surrounding mining claims still are privately owned. Please respect the rights of these property owners, who are glad to share with you the enjoyment of Monte Cristo.*

- Government land
- Privately owned land
- Vault toilet/outhouse
- Picnic tables
- Bike Rack
- Camping
- Information

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