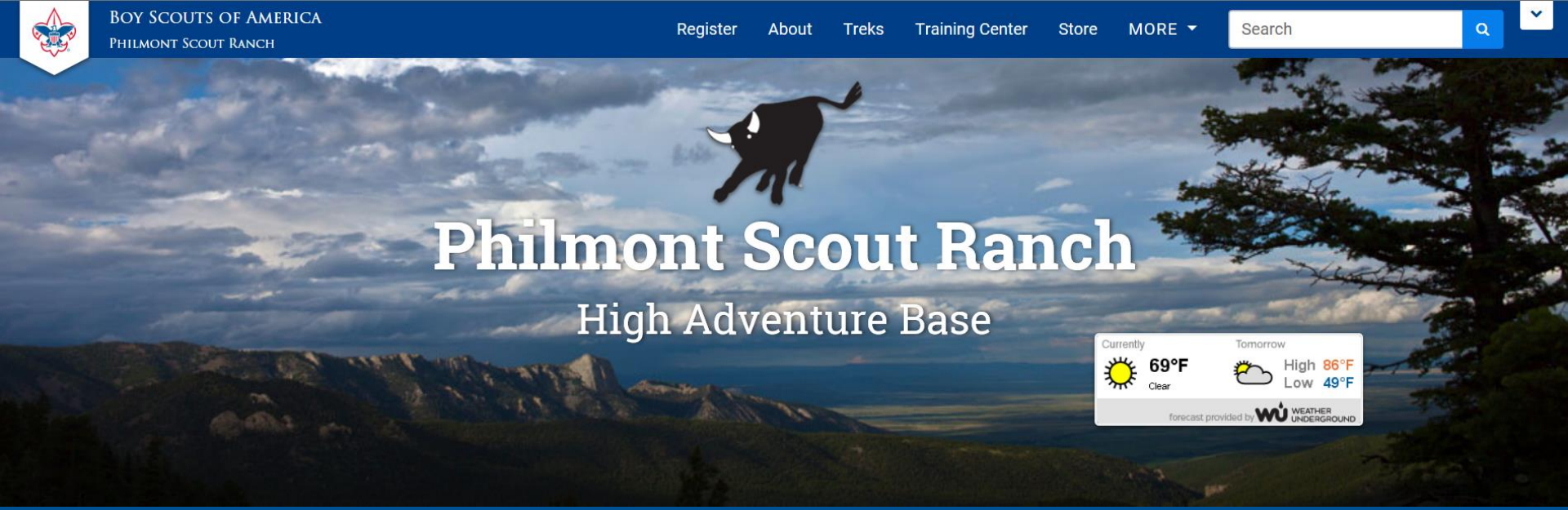

Scouts BSA Troop 97

Itinerary Selection Meeting

January 7, 2020

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Objectives

- What is Philmont?
- Who can go?
- When are we going?
- What is the cost?
- What gear is going to be required?
- How are we getting there?
- What will the weather be like when we are there?

Who's on the list so far…

No.	Name	No.	Name
1	Campbell, Aiden	10	Biddle, Eli
2	Davidson, Lucas	11	Steiner, Regan
3	Musser, Gavin	12	Steiner, Jon
4	Wiford, Devan	13	Gailey, Nathan
5	Doty, Connor	14	
6	Lamma, Alex	15	
7	Schmiesing, Anthony	16	
8	Sibert, Tommy	17	
9	Rose, Mason	18	

Tentative Schedule Prior to Expedition

- January 14 – Itinerary selection
- March 20-21 – Wilderness and Remote First Aid/CPR Training
- May 1 – Summer menus available for selection

Tentative Schedule

- **June 24 – depart Toledo (Amtrak)**
- **June 25 – Arrive PSR, acclimate to environment**
- **June 26 – Begins with lunch (scheduled arrival day)**
- **June 27 to July 7 – On the trail (50-120 miles)**
  - Includes 3-hour conservation work project
- **July 8 – Ends with breakfast (scheduled departure day)**
- **July 9 – Activities**
- **July 10 – Depart Raton, NM**
- **July 11 – Arrive Toledo (Amtrak)**

How will we prep?

- **Cycling 2x/week and/or 1-hour bleachers 2x/week**
- **Exercising 1-hour, 3-5 times/week**
- **Training hikes**
  - Establish monthly dates/locations/mileage
- **Shakedown 1 (date/location)**
  - 3 days/2 nights, 15-25 miles
- **Shakedown 2 (date/location)**
  - 3 days/2 nights, 15-25 miles

Award Opportunities…

- The Arrowhead Award
- The “We All Made It” Plaque
- La Docena Adventurado Award
- 50-Miler Award
- Duty to God
- Wilderness Pledge Award
- Trail of Courage

The Arrowhead Award

- Attended the opening campfire – “The Philmont Story”
- Complete a Philmont-approved itinerary with your crew.
- Complete at least 3 hours of staff supervised conservation work or a camp improvement project on Philmont and taken advantage of every opportunity to learn about and improve our ecology and practiced the art of outdoor living that minimizes pollution of soil, water, and air.
- Fulfill the personal commitment to the Wilderness Pledge.
- LIVE THE SCOUT OATH AND LAW.

The “We All Made It” Plaque

- Demonstrate good camping practices and Scouting spirit.
- Follow an approved itinerary and camp only where scheduled.
- Fulfill the commitment to the Wilderness Pledge.

La Docena Adventurado Award

The “La Docena Adventurado” Award is presented to each crew that participates with the maximum number of participants (12). A ribbon is presented to the Advisor during the arrival registration process.

50-Miler Award

The 50-Miler Award, given by the National Council, BSA, may be earned by members of unit groups.

- **Make complete and satisfactory plans for the trip, including the possibilities of advancement, conservation, leadership, and service.**
- **Hike at least 50 miles.**
- **Perform a 10-hour conservation project (3 hours or more will be earned at Philmont and the remaining hours in your council).**

Duty to God

Under the guidance of a crew Chaplain's Aide, each participant may fulfill the requirements for the Philmont "Duty to God" award.

- **Attend a religious service while at Philmont.**
- **Participate in at least three daily devotionals with the crew.**
- **Lead grace before a meal.**
- **Obtain the Chaplain's Aide signature to certify completion of the requirements.**

Wilderness Pledge Award

Under the guidance of your crew's Wilderness Pledge Guia (Guide), each participant can qualify for the Wilderness Pledge Award.

- **Participate in Wilderness Pledge training provided by your Ranger.**
- **Adhere to the five principles of the Wilderness Pledge throughout your trek, paying careful attention to camping practices.**
- **Participate in a discussion about each of the seven principles of Leave No Trace (discussion led by the Crew Wilderness Pledge Guia).**
- **Find examples of each of the seven Leave No Trace principles during the trek.**

Trail of Courage

Under the guidance of the Ranger and Crew Leader, each participant may fulfill the requirements of the Trail of Courage – Right Decisions/Right Now Program.

- **I Pledge to become personally fit.**
- **I Pledge to eat a nutritious diet.**
- **I Pledge to exercise.**
- **I Pledge to be tobacco free and not smoke or use smokeless products.**
- **I Pledge to live free of drug and alcohol habits.**
- **I Pledge to learn the seven cancer danger signs.**
- **I Pledge to live the Scout Oath and Law..**
- **At the end of the trek, the Crew Leader turns in the pledge card to the CHQ Registration Safekeeping desk.**

Itinerary Selections…

- 32 possible program features
- Voted for 6 favorite program features

- And the results are…

PROGRAM FEATURES														TOTALS
Archaeology	1	1												2
ATV Rider Course				1		1	1			1				4
Blacksmithing	1	1	1	1								1		5
Burro Packing	1									1	1			3
Cantina														0
Challenge Events														0
Chase Ranch											1			1
Conservation														0
Continental Tie & Lumber Company		1					1					1		3
Demonstration Forest														0
Environmental Awareness														0
Fly Tying and Fly Fishing										1				1
Geocaching														0
Geology		1												1
Gold Mining and Panning	1	1	1	1			1			1	1	1		8
Homesteading														0
Horse Rides			1	1						1				3
Jicarilla Apache Life														0
Low Impact Camping														0
Mountain Biking				1		1	1				1	1		5
Mountaineering	1		1								1	1		4
Philmont Campfires						1								1
Post-Civil War Settlers														0
Rendezvous														0
Ring Ranch														0
Rock Climbing						1	1			1				3
Rocky Mountain Fur Company			1											1
Shooting Sports	1		1	1		1	1				1	1		7
Western Lore														0
Special Trail Meals						1								1
STEM		1												1
Wilderness Medicine/Search and Rescue/GPS Technology														0
TOTALS	6	6	6	6	0	6	6	0	0	6	6	6	0	

Itinerary Selections…

- Gold Mining and Panning
- Shooting Sports
- Blacksmithing
- Mountain Biking
- ATV Rider Course
- Mountaineering

Itinerary Number	Hiking Difficulty	Distance	Program Features
12-1	Challenging	51	ATV Rider Course, Blacksmithing, Gold Mining and Panning
12-2	Challenging	54	Blacksmithing, Gold Mining and Panning, Shooting Sports (12 Ga.)
12-14	Rugged	61	Blacksmithing, Gold Mining and Panning, Shooting Sports (12 Ga.)
12-15	Rugged	61	Blacksmithing, Gold Mining and Panning, Shooting Sports (12 Ga.)
12-17	Rugged	60	Blacksmithing, Gold Mining and Panning, Shooting Sports (12 Ga.)
12-18	Rugged	59	Blacksmithing, Gold Mining and Panning, Shooting Sports (.30-06)
12-21	Rugged	65	Blacksmithing, Gold Mining and Panning, Mountain Biking
12-25	Strenuous	63	Blacksmithing, Gold Mining and Panning, Shooting Sports (.30-06)
12-28	Strenuous	67	Blacksmithing, Gold Mining and Panning, Shooting Sports (.30-06)
12-33	Super Strenuous	80	Blacksmithing, Gold Mining and Panning, Shooting Sports (12 Ga.)

Itinerary 12-1 - ATV Trek

Challenging

51 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

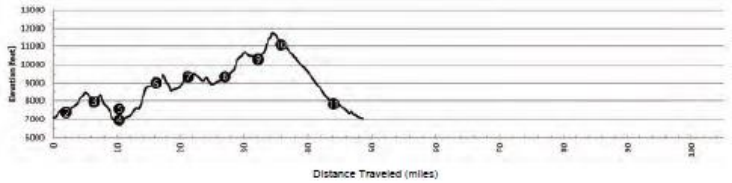
- Mt. Phillips - 11,736 ft.
- Comanche Peak - 11,303
- Rayado Creek Trail
- Sunrise at Inspriation Point

Program Highlights

- ATVSI Rider Course
- Muzzle Loading Rifles
- Homesteading
- Fly Fishing

Conservation

- Day 4 - Zastrow
- ATV Trail Maintenance



Itinerary 12-1 **Challenging (maximum program time) - 51 miles**

This unique trek offers the only opportunity to ride ATVs at Philmont Scout Ranch! Begin your journey at Lovers Leap Trailhead and make your way to Lovers Leap camp for Ranger training. The next day is on to Urraca Mesa where your crew can put their skills to the test on the challenge course under the watchful guidance of trained facilitators. The campfire at night is sure to both spook and entertain you! Get up early for the gorgeous sunrise from Inspiration Point, before making your way to Zastrow for a layover and an immersion in ATV operation and safety, administered by Philmont's ATV Safety Institute certified instructors. After certification you will enjoy a trail ride that will be both challenging and exciting! You will also complete a conservation project at Zastrow to help build and maintain sustainable ATV trails. Enjoy the Dutch oven desserts and the Rededication to Scouting ceremony that night. Next, make your way to Lower Bonito camp which is a trail camp in an open meadow to enjoy the beautiful views and the open skies for star gazing. You are sure to enjoy the hike to Bear Canyon camp with a stop at one of Waite Phillips' favorite places! Fish Camp will offer you the opportunity to tie your own fly and try to catch a trout. Tour the historic Rayado Lodge before making your way to camp for the night. The next day you will be headed over to Crooked Creek to visit the homesteaders that live there and help them with their daily tasks. Hiking up the Rayado Creek trail will be a special day, as you make your way to the Rocky Mountain Fur Co. at Clear Creek. Here you will learn their trade, shoot muzzle loading rifles, and try your hands at tomahawks. The next day is a mountaintop experience as you climb Mt Phillips over to Comanche Peak Camp for the night. Next, head downhill to try your hand at panning for gold and blacksmithing at Cyphers Mine before ending up at Hunting Lodge where you can take a tour of another of Mr. Phillips' favorite cabins. Your last day on the trail will take you through the Demonstration Forest for some lessons with the forester and a quick stop at Clarks Fork as you make your way to the Webster Trailhead and then back to base.

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	Herradura	2.3	777'	363'	Ranger Training; Trail Camp	Camping HQ
3	URRACA	4.3	1,419'	880'	Challenge Events; Campfire	
4	ZASTROW [s]	4.0	385'	1,353'	GPS/Land Navigation, Geocaching; Conservation Project	Zastrow
5	ZASTROW [s]	0.0	0'	0'	ATV Rider Course & Trail Ride, Dutch Oven Dessert, Rededication to Scouting	
6	Lower Bonito	5.7	2,194'	196'	New Mexican Homestead, Cantina, Cabin Tour @ Abreu	
7	Bear Canyon	5.1	1,436'	1,118'	Rayado Lodge Tour, Fly Tying, Fly Fishing @ Fish Camp	
8	CROOKED CREEK	5.9	963'	935'	Homesteading, Cabin Tour	Phillips Junction
9	CLEAR CREEK	5.2	1,180'	281'	Rocky Mountain Fur Co., Muzzle Loading Rifles, Tomahawks	
10	Comanche Peak [d]	4.5	1,569'	760'	Climb Mt. Phillips; Climb Comanche Peak; Water @ Clear Creek;Trail Camp	
11	HUNTING LODGE	7.8	110'	3,407'	Gold Mining, Blacksmithing, Mine Tour @ Cyphers Mine; Hunting Lodge Tour	
12	Camping HQ	5.8	95'	815'	Demonstration Forest; Western Lore/Branding @ Clarks Fork; Hike to Webster Trailhead; Awards Campfire	

(d) = Dry Camp (s) = Showers may be available

Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Lovers Leap Trailhead to go to Herradura Camp
Returns to Camping Headquarters on Day 12 from Webster Trailhead

All Scouts must be 14 or older for the ATV program. Pants, long sleeved shirt, and ankle covering boots REQUIRED.
A New Mexico Fishing License is needed in order to fish in the Philmont backcountry.

Campsite Elevations: 6,884' Minimum, 11,038' Maximum **Camps:** 5 Staffed, 4 Trail, 1 Layover, 1 Dry Camp
Conservation: Zastrow **Sectional Maps:** South

Crews passing through staff camps may have an opportunity to participate in some, but not all, program opportunities in the camp, based on availability.

NO CHANGES ARE POSSIBLE FOR CAMPS, FOOD PICKUPS, OR BUS TRANSPORTATION AFTER ITINERARY SELECTION.

Itinerary 12-2

Challenging

54 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

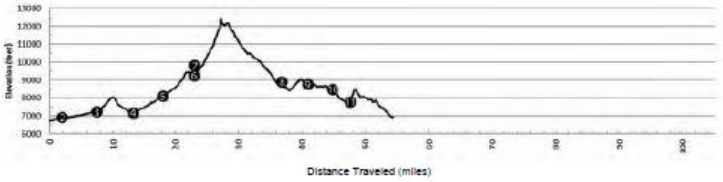
- Baldy Mountain - 12,441 ft.
- North Ponil Canyon
- Horse Canyon
- Baldy - Copper Park Loop

Program Highlights

- 12 ga. Shotgun Shooting
- Cowboy Action Shooting
- Blacksmithing
- Aztec Mine Tour

Conservation

- Day 5 - Ponil
- New Trail Construction



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Itinerary 12-2 **Challenging (maximum program time) - 54 miles**

This program packed itinerary loops through the Philmont North Country and combines high peaks and beautiful vistas with southwest history. The adventure begins with a bus from Base Camp to the Six-Mile Trailhead and a short hike to the first confirmed T-Rex footprint in the world. You'll make your way to Anasazi trail camp where your Ranger will pass on important skills. Head up the North Ponil Canyon to Indian Writings where you will see ancestral Pueblo petroglyphs and archeology sites. Listen for the echo of the mauls striking spikes as you make your way to Metcalf Station to learn what life was like on the railroad. You'll help rebuild the railroad and enjoy great music and stories at the evening campfire. The next day you will head to Ponil, where you will have the chance to do Cowboy Action Shooting, roping, branding, and horseback riding. Reward yourself with a cold root beer at the cantina, chow down on a delicious chuckwagon meal and prepare to be entertained at the evening Cantina Show! Head up the North Ponil River to the Continental Tie and Lumber Co. at Pueblano where your crew can climb spar poles and make rail ties before enjoying yet another amazing campfire performance. Move on up to Ute Meadows for a layover and prepare yourself with rest and reflection before your ascent of Philmont's highest peak. Climbing to the top of the 12,441 ft. Baldy Mountain is sure to be the highlight of your Philmont adventure! You'll also enjoy the loop through Copper Park and on to the Aztec Mine at French Henry, eventually ending up back at the old mining town at Baldy Town. Your next day is just a short hike to Miranda where you will have plenty of time for muzzle loading rifles, tomahawks and the mountain man rendezvous. Challenge course events at Head of Dean will help your crew build confidence and teamwork. Shoot on over to the reopened Santa Claus camp where you will load your own shells before heading down to the range to shoot 12 gauge shotguns. Your final full day of hiking will take you to New Dean trail camp before heading to the Ponil Trailhead for your trip back to Base Camp. What a trek!

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	Anasazi	2.1	401'	207'	Ranger Training; T-Rex Track; Trail Camp	Camping HQ
3	METCALF STATION	5.1	637'	304'	Petroglyph Tour @ IW; Railroading, Blacksmithing, Campfire	
4	PONIL *	5.8	911'	1,006'	Western Lore/Branding, Cowboy Action Shooting, Cantina, Chuckwagon Dinner, Campfire	Ponil
5	PUEBLANO	5.7	1,050'	109'	Conservation @ Ponil; Pick up Burros; Tie Making, Campfire @ Pueblano	
6	Ute Meadows	5.0	1,476'	360'	Spar Pole Climbing @ Pueblano; Drop off Burros @ Miranda; Trail Camp	
7	Ute Meadows	13.4	3,311'	3,365'	Climb Baldy Mountain; Gold Panning, Mine Tour @ French Henry; Trail Camp	Baldy Town
8	MIRANDA	1.1	84'	355'	Mountain Man Rendezvous, Muzzle Loading Rifle, Tomahawk Throwing	
9	HEAD OF DEAN	4.1	736'	883'	Challenge Course Events	
10	SANTA CLAUS	3.9	305'	603'	12 ga. Shotgun Shooting and Reloading	
11	New Dean	2.7	29'	732'	Trail Camp	
12	Camping HQ	4.8	672'	1,526'	Hike to Ponil Trailhead; Awards Campfire	

(s) = Showers may be available

Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Six Mile Gate Trailhead to go to Anasazi Camp
Returns to Camping Headquarters on Day 12 from Ponil Trailhead
This is a Burro Packing Itinerary. If your crew chooses it, they MUST TAKE THE BURRO.

Campsite Elevations: 6,848' Minimum, 9,143' Maximum **Camps:** 6 Staffed, 3 Trail, 1 Layover
Conservation: Ponil **Sectional Maps:** North

Crews passing through staff camps may have an opportunity to participate in some, but not all, program opportunities in the camp, based on availability.

NO CHANGES ARE POSSIBLE FOR CAMPS, FOOD PICKUPS, OR BUS TRANSPORTATION AFTER ITINERARY SELECTION.

Itinerary 12-14

Rugged

61 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

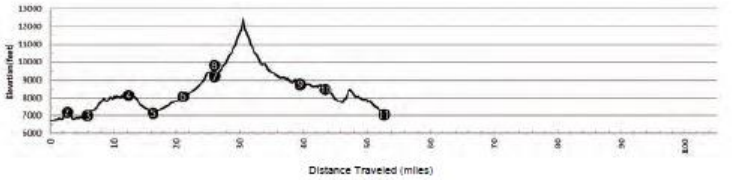
- Baldy Mountain - 12,441 ft.
- Santa Claus Camp
- Baldy Skyline Hike
- Horse Canyon

Program Highlights

- Burro Packing
- Spar Pole Climbing
- 12 Gauge Shotgun Shooting
- Mining & Blacksmithing

Conservation

- Day 9 - Baldy Skyline
- Forest Restoration



Itinerary 12-14 **Rugged (good mix of program and hiking) - 61 miles**

This traverse of the North Country historical timeline starts off by exploring the site of the first confirmed T-Rex track in the world! Move on to Indian Writings the next day to learn about some of the oldest historical sites on the ranch, the many petroglyphs found in the canyon, as well as the pit house excavation site. Continue up the North Ponil Canyon to the site of Metcalf Station and try your hands as a railroader for the day before settling in to Horse Canyon trail camp. Hike down beautiful Horse Canyon to the original base camp and headquarters of Philmont at Ponil. Ride horses, enjoy a nice cold root beer at the Cantina and spend the rest of the day enjoying the western lore programs, a delicious chuckwagon dinner, and an exciting Cantina Show to top off the day. Pick up your burros then head over to Pueblano to spend time with the loggers of the Continental Tie & Lumber Co. to experience the thrill of spar pole climbing and enjoy a great campfire program. Get ready, as the next morning you will be heading up into the mountains and cooler nights at higher elevations. First, drop off your burros at Miranda and get a glimpse of what a Mountain Man Rendezvous might have looked like and enjoy a friendly tomahawk throwing competition. Your next two nights are at a beautiful camp called Ute Meadows, in the shadow of Baldy Mountain. You will have a layover day where you can summit Baldy Mountain, and then, if you are up for the challenge, hike down to Copper Park and French Henry to visit Lucien Maxwell's Aztec Mine. Get some rest after a long day and make your way to Baldy Skyline for conservation, then down the trail to Head of Dean to test your crew's teamwork skills. Your next stop is not the North Pole, but Santa Claus! Reload 12 gauge shotshells before heading down to the range to do some shooting! Your last night on the trail is at Trail Canyon camp, where you will make the short hike the next morning to the Nine Mile Trailhead to load up on the bus for the journey back to Base Camp.

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	House Canyon	2.7	589'	116'	Ranger Training; T-Rex Track; Trail Camp	Camping HQ
3	INDIAN WRITINGS *	3.1	320'	527'	Archaeology, Atlatl Darts, Petroglyph Tour	
4	Horse Canyon	7.2	1,445'	276'	Railroading, Blacksmithing @ Metcalf Station; Trail Camp	
5	PONIL *	3.9	206'	1,210'	Western Lore/Branding, Cantina, Horse Rides, Chuckwagon Dinner, Cantina Show	Ponil
6	PUEBLANO	5.7	1,050'	109'	Pick up Burros @ Ponil; Tie Making, Spar Pole Climbing, Campfire	
7	Ute Meadows	7.2	2,004'	896'	Drop off Burros @ Miranda; Mountain Man Rendezvous, Tomahawks	
8	Ute Meadows	12.2	3,331'	3,365'	Hike Baldy Mountain; Copper Park Loop to French Henry (Optional) for Gold Panning & Mine Tour	Baldy Town
9	HEAD OF DEAN	5.3	600'	1,019'	Conservation @ Baldy Skyline	
10	SANTA CLAUS	3.9	305'	603'	Challenge Course Events @ Head of Dean	
11	Trail Canyon [d]	9.2	699'	2,102'	12 gauge Shotgun Shooting & Reloading; Trail Camp	
12	Camping HQ	0.5	12'	130'	Hike to Nine Mile Trailhead; Awards Campfire	

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Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Six Mile Gate Trailhead to go to House Canyon Camp
Returns to Camping Headquarters on Day 12 from Nine Mile Trailhead

This is a Burro Packing Itinerary. If your crew chooses it, they MUST TAKE THE BURRO.
Horse rides require that all participants weigh 200 lbs. or less. Spots limited, sign up in Logistics before departing base.

Campsite Elevations: 6,915' Minimum, 9,143' Maximum **Camps:** 5 Staffed, 4 Trail, 1 Layover, 1 Dry Camp
Conservation: Baldy Skyline **Sectional Maps:** North

Crews passing through staff camps may have an opportunity to participate in some, but not all, program opportunities in the camp, based on availability.

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Itinerary 12-15

Rugged

61 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

- Baldy Mountain - 12,441 ft.
- Baldy Skyline
- Dean Skyline
- Chase Canyon

Program Highlights

- Santa Claus - NEW Camp
- Chase Cow - NEW Camp
- Blacksmithing
- Spar Pole Climbing

Conservation

- Day 9 - Ponil
- New Trail Construction

Trailhead
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Finish
Carson National Forest
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Greenwood Tract
Elliott Barker
State Wildlife Area
Cerro Negro
Cerro Pelon
Cerro Resumidero
Cerro Chiflo
Cerro Pedernal
Cerro Tres Ritos
Cerro Pelado
Cerro Chiquito
Cerro Chato

Itinerary 12-17

Rugged

60 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

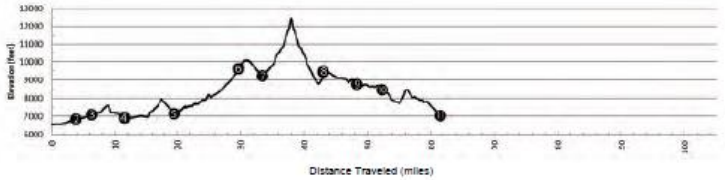
- Baldy Mountain - 12,441 ft.
- Hart Peak - 7,975 ft.
- Baldy Skyline
- Dean Skyline

Program Highlights

- 12 Gauge Shotgun Shooting
- Baldy Mining History
- Western Lore
- T-Rex Footprint

Conservation

- Day 6 - Flume Canyon
- New Trail Construction



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Itinerary 12-17 **Rugged (good mix of program and hiking) - 60 miles**

WOW! This itinerary has it all, from rock climbing to mining and western lore to shotgun shooting! Your Ranger will take you to the Chase Ranch main house for a quick tour, before heading to Hells Fire and Chase Canyon Camps. Enjoy the new Chase Cow Camp and their exciting rock climbing program before settling in at your trail camp. Next, journey up to the North Ponil watershed and soak in more history at Indian Writings. Continue up in time and elevation to Hart Peak and the old-west camp called Ponil. Keep a keen eye for outlaws and enjoy a refreshing root beer before heading to Dean Cutoff. Hit the hay and sleep well as the following day begins with an important conservation project before climbing in elevation to the mining camp of French Henry. On your way there, you may have time for a short break at Pueblano to work with the loggers of the Continental Tie & Lumber Co., but don't linger too long, there is still more to your journey! Be some of the first crews to camp at French Henry, pan for gold and explore deep into the mountain and listen for the echoes of miners from long ago! Next, lighten the mood (and packs!) with a layover at Ute Meadows. Enjoy a lighter load as you day hike Philmont's iconic Baldy Mountain and relax at Philmont's population hub of the north, Baldy Town. Here you can pick up your food and enjoy the wonderful shower house! Next, the Head of Dean staff will 'pump you up' with a variety of group exercises, but don't sweat, they are for team building, not muscle building! It's all downhill (mostly) from here as you stop for some shotgun shooting and reloading at Santa Claus Camp. Trail Canyon camp is your last night to peer into and ponder upon the vast cosmic wilderness before picking up your bus at Nine Mile Trailhead and returning back to Base Camp.

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	Hells Fire Canyon	3.9	485'	246'	Ranger Training; Main House Tour @ Chase Ranch; Trail Camp	Camping HQ
3	Chase Canyon	3.7	453'	148'	Rock Climbing & Rappelling, Bouldering @ Chase Cow	
4	INDIAN WRITINGS *	5.1	777'	956'	Archaeology, Atlatl Darts, Petroglyph Tour	
5	Dean Cutoff	5.8	1,339'	987'	Western Lore/Branding, Cantina @ Ponil; Trail Camp	Ponil
6	FRENCH HENRY	9.1	2,913'	687'	Tie Making @ Pueblano; Gold Mining & Panning, Mine Tour, Blacksmithing	
7	Ute Meadows	3.8	222'	691'	Mining History & Assaying @ Baldy Town; Trail Camp	Baldy Town
8	Ute Meadows	9.6	3,331'	3,365'	Climb Baldy Mountain; Mountain Man Rendezvous, Tomahawks @ Miranda; Trail Camp	
9	HEAD OF DEAN	5.3	600'	1,019'	Challenge Course Events	
10	SANTA CLAUS	3.9	305'	603'	12 ga. Shotgun Shooting & Reloading	
11	Trail Canyon [d]	9.2	699'	2,102'	Water @ Middle Ponil; Trail Camp	
12	Camping HQ	0.5	13'	130'	Hike to Nine Mile Trailhead; Awards Campfire	

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Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Chase Trailhead to go to Hells Fire Canyon Camp
Returns to Camping Headquarters on Day 12 from Nine Mile Trailhead

Campsite Elevations: 6,838' Minimum, 9,552' Maximum **Camps:** 4 Staffed, 5 Trail, 1 Layover, 1 Dry Camp
Conservation: Flume Canyon **Sectional Maps:** North

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Itinerary 12-18

Rugged

59 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

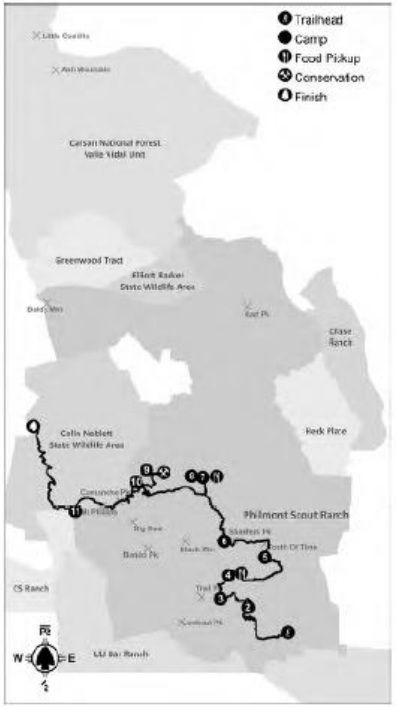
- Mount Phillips - 11,736 ft
- Comanche Peak - 11,303 ft.
- Tooth of Time - 9,003 ft.
- Shaefers Peak - 9,350 ft.

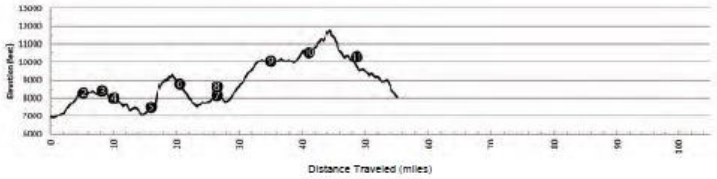
Program Highlights

- 2 Climbing Sites
- High COPE Course
- Muzzle Loading Rifle
- Spar Pole Climbing

Conservation

- Day 10 - Cito Peak
- New Trail Construction





2020 PHILMONT ADVENTURE ITINERARY

Itinerary 12-18 **Rugged (good mix of program and hiking) - 59 miles**

If your crew is interested in COPE and Climbing, then this itinerary is for you! Begin your journey at the Zastrow Trailhead with your Ranger, and pass through Abreu for a quick stop for a root beer at the New Mexican homestead on your way to your trail camp. Your first chance to climb will be on the spar poles at Crater Lake where you learn from the loggers of the Continental Tie & Lumber Co. Off to Miners Park for your next climbing experience, except this time it will be on the natural rock formations found near this camp. They also have a climbing wall, climbing gym, and crate stacking, but only if you have some spare time on your hands. Your next day brings you over the Lovers Leap rock formation as you make your way to Rocky Mountain Scout Camp, home to Philmont's COPE tower. Learn from a highly trained staff on a truly unique tower that will challenge you in a variety of ways. Rest up at your trail camp at Stockade Ridge, as your next day brings you your first mountain climbing experience! Climb to the top of the Tooth of Time and enjoy the panoramic views before making your way up and over Shaefers Peak. Head down through Clarks Fork for some Western Lore and Branding, or stop at the Demonstration Forest and Hunting Lodge for some time with the foresters or a tour of the Hunting Lodge. Cimarroncito will be the site of your layover, where you will be able to enjoy more rock climbing and rappelling on natural rock. The climbing gym and traverse wall at the camp also provide a unique climbing challenge. Up and at 'em, as your next day takes you up through Cyphers Mine for an opportunity to get hands on experiences learning the life of a miner, before you stop for the night at Whistle Punk. Your early morning conservation project will assist the Conservation Department blaze a trail to the top of Cito Peak. Two more peaks await you, Comanche Peak, and Philmont's second highest peak, Mount Phillips. Spend the rest of the day with the trappers of the Rocky Mountain Fur Co. and learn how to throw tomahawks and shoot muzzle loading rifles. Your journey is almost complete, but not before hiking down the Tolby Road Trail, which will offer breathtaking views of the Wheeler Peak Range as you make your way to the Tolby Trailhead, and ultimately back to Base Camp.

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	Aguila	5.3	1,521'	160'	Ranger Training; New Mexican Homestead, Cantina @ Abreu; Trail Camp	Camping HQ
3	CRATER LAKE	2.9	483'	362'	Tie Making & Crosscut Saws, Spar Pole Climbing, Campfire	
4	MINERS PARK *	1.9	223'	624'	Rockclimbing and Rappelling	Miners Park
5	Stockade Ridge [d]	7.0	442'	904'	COPE Tower @ Rocky Mountain Scout Camp; Trail Camp	
6	Shaefers Pass [d]	6.1	1,952'	725'	Water @ Stockade; Climb Tooth of Time; Climb Shaefers Peak; Trail Camp	
7	CIMARRONCITO *	5.9	1,049'	1,620'	Western Lore/Branding @ Clarks Fork; Demonstration Forest; Hunting Lodge Tour	Cimarroncito
8	CIMARRONCITO *	0.0	0'	0'	Rock Climbing & Rappelling, Climbing Gym, Traverse Wall	
9	Whistle Punk	8.6	2,589'	729'	Gold Mining & Panning, Blacksmithing, Mine Tour @ Cyphers Mine; Trail Camp	
10	Thunder Ridge [d]	7.3	510'	195'	Conservation @ Cito Peak; 30-06 Rifle Shooting @ Sawmill; Trail Camp	
11	CLEAR CREEK	5.9	1,562'	1,623'	Climb Comanche Peak; Climb Mount Phillips; Rocky Mountain Fur Co., Tomahawks, Muzzle Loading Rifles	
12	Camping HQ	8.4	532'	2,737'	Hike to Tolby Trailhead; Awards Campfire	

(d) = Dry Camp (s) = Showers may be available

Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Zastrow Trailhead to go to Aguila Camp
Returns to Camping Headquarters on Day 12 from Tolby Trailhead

Campsite Elevations: 7,442' Minimum, 10,283' Maximum **Camps:** 4 Staffed, 5 Trail, 1 Layover, 3 Dry Camps
Conservation: Cito Peak **Sectional Maps:** South

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Itinerary 12-21

Rugged

65 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

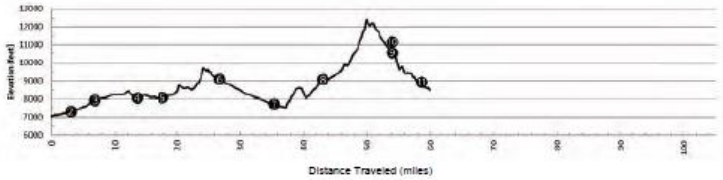
- Valle Vidal
- Wilson Mesa
- Baldy Mountain - 12,441 ft.
- Copper Park

Program Highlights

- Challenge Course Events
- Mountain Biking
- Search & Rescue
- Muzzle Loading Rifles

Conservation

- Day 8 - Baldy Skyline
- Forest Restoration



2020 PHILMONT ADVENTURE ITINERARY

Itinerary 12-21 **Rugged (good mix of program and hiking) - 65 miles**

This Valle Vidal itinerary will enable your crew to see an incredible assortment of wildlife, enjoy enormous grass filled vegas, hike through beautiful ponderosa pine stands, and view the rugged mountains to the North of Philmont! Start off at Bent Camp, and head up to the challenge course at Dan Beard before entering the US Forest Service's Valle Vidal. A search and rescue mission awaits your crew at remote Seally Canyon. After checking the weather forecast at Ring Place, head to Whiteman Vega, where you will get a chance to ride bikes on one of the area's best mountain biking trails. Get a good night's rest and enjoy the serenity of a remote trail camp in the Valle Vidal at Middle Ponil camp. Head down the canyon the next day to visit the historic homestead of the Rich Family. Help them tend to their garden and their animals, and tour the wonderful cabin. Their family gathering that night is not to be missed, and will be a great opportunity to learn about this family. From Rich Cabins, head up and over Wilson Mesa and back on to Philmont property to visit the loggers of the Continental Tie & Lumber Co. at Pueblano. Help make a railroad tie or learn how to use a crosscut saw, but don't delay too long, as you still have to make it to Baldy Skyline camp for your conservation project. Rest up and continue your journey into the Baldy Mining District. Stop at Baldy Town as you make your way to Copper Park, and you can learn about the mining history of the area, and how to assay the value of ore while you are at it. If you have time, take a side hike to French Henry where you can tour the Aztec Mine, learn how to blacksmith, or pan for gold! Rest well at Copper Park, as the next morning brings you to the summit of Philmont's highest peak, Baldy Mountain. Enjoy the views of Eagle Nest Lake, Wheeler Peak,, and the entire 360 degree panorama around you. It will take your breath away! From Copper Park you will head to Miranda for an authentic Mountain Man Rendezvous. Learn how to throw tomahawks, shoot muzzle loading rifles, and see some trade items on display in their trade tent! Enjoy your last night at Philmont with one of the best meadow views of Baldy Mountain before heading down to the Maxwell Trailhead for your bus pickup the next morning. Turn around and enjoy the view, you will be glad you did!

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	Bent	3.1	352'	65'	Ranger Training; Trail Camp	Camping HQ
3	DAN BEARD	3.8	692'	118'	Challenge Course Events	
4	SEALLY CANYON	6.7	762'	626'	Search & Rescue, Wilderness Medicine	
5	WHITEMAN VEGA	4.1	341'	315'	Folk Weather Forecasting, Weather @ Ring Place; Mountain Biking	Ring Place
6	Middle Ponil	9.1	1,648'	619'	Trail Camp	
7	RICH CABINS	8.5	137'	1,529'	Homesteading, Cabin Tour, Campfire	Rich Cabins
8	Baldy Skyline	7.8	2,318'	986'	Tie Making & Crosscut Saws @ Pueblano; Conservation Project @ Baldy Skyline; Trail Camp	
9	Copper Park	7.2	2,169'	709'	Mining History & Assaying @ Baldy Town; Gold Mining & Panning, Mine Tour @ French Henry	Baldy Town
10	Copper Park	8.0	2,382'	2,375'	Climb Baldy Mountain	
11	MIRANDA	4.7	397'	2,027'	Mountain Man Rendezvous, Muzzle Loading Rifles, Tomahawks	
12	Camping HQ	2.0	41'	924'	Hike to Maxwell Trailhead; Awards Campfire	

Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Ponil Trailhead to go to Bent Camp
Returns to Camping Headquarters on Day 12 from Maxwell Trailhead

Campsite Elevations: 7,254' Minimum, 10,453' Maximum **Camps:** 5 Staffed, 4 Trail, 1 Layover
Conservation: Baldy Skyline **Sectional Maps:** North

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Itinerary 12-25

Strenuous

63 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

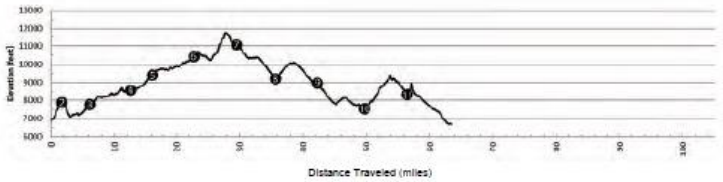
- Mt. Phillips - 11,736 ft.
- Tooth of Time - 9,003 ft.
- Rayado Canyon Trail
- Wild Horse Camp

Program Highlights

- Garcia Cow Camp
- Fish Camp & Rayado Lodge
- Rock Climbing & Rappelling
- Archery & Sweat Lodge

Conservation

- Day 6 - Apache Springs Camp
- Forest Restoration



2020 PHILMONT ADVENTURE ITINERARY

Itinerary 12-25 **Strenuous (hiking with some program time) - 63 miles**

This rugged trek follows rushing streams, discovers mountain meadows, and traverses lofty peaks across Philmont's South and Central Country. You will start your trek with a gorgeous sunset at Toothache Springs. Stop by Abreu for a cool root beer before hiking to Carson Meadows, where your crew will help the staff with a Search and Rescue mission. From there, hike west to The Notch and enjoy the overlook of Rayado and Bonito Canyons. Stellar views of Rayado, Crater, and Lookout Peaks will then be seen from the south side of the canyon as you continue on to Fish Camp. Enjoy fishing the same banks of the Rayado and Agua Fria Creeks as Waite Phillips. From there, your crew will enjoy time in some of the most pristine country the Southwest has to offer at Apache Springs. You will learn about the Jicarilla Apache and test your archery skills on our sporting arrows range. Enjoy the sweat lodge before hiking to Garcia Cow Camp and learn the history of wildlife conservation at one of Philmont's newest camps. Your hike to and stay at Wild Horse is guaranteed to be memorable, as it is one of our most beautiful trail camps. Next, the mountain men of the Rocky Mountain Fur Co. await you at Clear Creek before the challenging hike up Mt. Phillips and Comanche Peak. The hike will be tough but seeing the sunrise from Comanche Peak Camp will be an unparalleled reward. Next, head on to Sawmill and Shoot .30-06 rifles using cartridges you reload yourself. Enjoy a stop at Cyphers Mine to pan for gold, and blacksmith or tour the Contention Mine before staying the night at Lamberts Mine. Make your way down to Hunting Lodge and the Demonstration Forest for a stop along the way to Clark's Fork. Don't delay too long, as you will want to make your afternoon horse ride and brand your boots! Fill up on the chuckwagon dinner and have fun at the campfire, but get some rest before ascending the Tooth of Time on your way into Base Camp on your last day on the trail!

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	Toothache Springs	1.8	958'	22'	Ranger Training; Trail Camp	Camping HQ
3	CARSON MEADOWS	4.4	898'	994'	New Mexican Homestead @ Abreu; Search & Rescue, Wilderness Medicine	
4	FISH CAMP	6.3	2,153'	1,346'	Fly Tying, Fishing, Rayado Lodge Tour	
5	APACHE SPRINGS	3.4	1,018'	172'	Conservation Project; Jicarilla Apache Life, 3D Archery	Apache Springs
6	Wild Horse	6.8	1,623'	599'	Sweat Lodge @ Apache Springs; Wildlife Conservation @ Garcia Cow Camp	
7	Comanche Peak [d]	7.3	1,935'	1,280'	Rocky Mountain Fur Co., Tomahawks @ Clear Creek; Water @ Clear Creek; Trail Camp	
8	SAWMILL *	6.2	274'	2,155'	.30-06 Cartridge Reloading & Shooting	Sawmill
9	Lamberts Mine	6.6	1,251'	1,434'	Gold Mining & Panning, Blacksmithing, Mine Tour @ Cyphers Mine	
10	CLARKS FORK	4.6	173'	1,644'	Western Lore/Branding, Horse Rides, Chuckwagon Dinner, Campfire	
11	Tooth Ridge [d]	6.5	2,173'	1,374'	Water @ Clarks Fork; Climb Shaefers Peak; Trail Camp	
12	Camping HQ	9.1	244'	1,859'	Climb Tooth of Time; Hike-in via Tooth Ridge; Awards Campfire	

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Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Zastrow Trailhead to go to Toothache Springs Camp
Hike back to Camping Headquarters via Tooth Ridge Trail

A New Mexico Fishing License is needed in order to fish in the Philmont backcountry.

Horse rides require that all participants weigh 200 lbs. or less. **Spots limited, sign up in Logistics before departing base.**

Campsite Elevations: 7,464' Minimum, 11,038' Maximum **Camps:** 5 Staffed, 5 Trail, 2 Dry Camps
Conservation: Apache Springs Camp **Sectional Maps:** South

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Itinerary 12-28

Strenuous

67 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

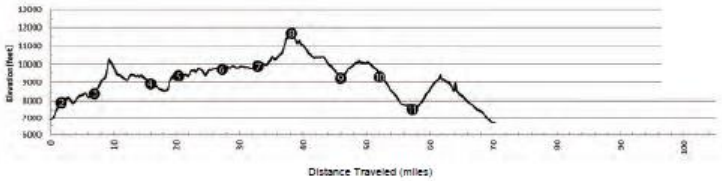
- Mt. Phillips - 11,736 ft.
- Tooth of Time - 9,003 ft.
- Trail Peak - 10,250 ft.
- Garcia Park

Program Highlights

- Garcia Cow Camp
- Spar Pole Climbing
- Mine Tour
- Western Lore & Branding

Conservation

- Day 9 - Cito Peak
- New Trail Construction



Itinerary 12-28 **Strenuous (hiking with some program time) - 67 miles**

This trek tours Philmont's South Country, neighboring properties and a brand-new backcountry camp. The adventure begins with a bus ride to the Zastrow Trailhead and a hike to the Rayado River trail camp. Stop at Zastrow to practice skills that will benefit you the rest of your trek. Your next day wraps you around Fowler Mesa to Crater Lake where you can live like a logger, climb spar poles and swing a broad axe to make cross ties. Get your rest, a big day of hiking takes you over Fowlers Pass, over Trail Peak, and down the long open meadows to Beaubien. Take a load off and learn western skills like roping and branding before taking the short hike to Phillips Junction. Head to Fish Camp where you can make a fly and try catching a trout in the cold stream, tour Rayado Lodge, and take your first jaunt off of Philmont as you head to Daves Lake camp. Wildlife viewing opportunities abound in the large meadows between here and Garcia Cow Camp, where you will learn about Wildlife Conservation and the famous naturalist and first Chief Scout, Earnest Thompson Seton. The epic views will continue as you hike to Saladon Camp where high mountain lakes and large meadows will give your crew views that many have never seen. Cross back on to Philmont and visit the fur trappers of the Rocky Mountain Fur Co. at Clear Creek to test your skill at tomahawk throwing, then begin your ascent of Mt. Phillips. After a night of rest, head down the mountain towards Sawmill to complete your conservation project and try your hand at reloading and shooting .30-06 rifles. Your next stop brings you to the prospectors and miners at Cyphers Mine. Try your luck in the mine or panning for gold, and enjoy the evening Stomp! On your next leg of your journey, enjoy a tour of Hunting Lodge or stop at the Demonstration Forest on your way to Clarks Fork. Roping, branding, and horse rides after lunch are parts of the program, but the Chuckwagon dinner and campfire is sure to make for a memorable final night. Fill up with water and hit the trail early so you can finish your trek strong with a summit of Shaefers Peak and the famed Tooth of Time. Conjure up your memories from your trek as you hike the ridge down to Base Camp to complete this amazing experience.

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	Rayado River	1.5	958'	22'	Geocaching @ Zastrow; Ranger Training; Trail Camp	Camping HQ
3	CRATER LAKE	6.7	1,296'	738'	New Mexican Homestead @ Abreu; Tie Making, Spar Pole Climbing, Campfire	
4	PHILLIPS JUNCTION [s]	8.8	1,820'	1,395'	Western Lore/Branding @ Beaubien	Phillips Junction
5	Daves Lake	4.7	760'	425'	Tour Rayado Lodge, Fly Tying, Fly Fishing @ Fish Camp; Trail Camp	
6	GARCIA COW	6.9	988'	622'	3D Archery, Jicarilla Apache Life @ Apache Springs	Apache Springs
7	Saladon	4.1	378'	408'	Wildlife Conservation @ Garcia Cow Camp; Trail Camp	
8	Mount Phillips [d]	5.3	2,728'	838'	Rocky Mountain Fur Co., Tomahawks; Water @ Clear Creek; Climb Mt. Phillips; Trail Camp	
9	SAWMILL [s]	7.9	374'	2,849'	Climb Comanche Peak; Conservation; .30-06 Rifle Shooting & Reloading	Sawmill
10	CYPHERS MINE [s]	5.1	1,055'	902'	Gold Mining & Paning, Blacksmithing, Mine Tour, Campfire	
11	CLARKS FORK	5.1	156'	1,996'	Hunting Lodge Tour; Demonstration Forest; Western Lore, Horse Rides, Chuckwagon Dinner; Campfire	
12	Camping HQ	10.4	2,425'	3,232'	Climb Shaefers Peak; Climb Tooth of Time; Hike in via Tooth Ridge; Awards Campfire	

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Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Zastrow Trailhead to go to Rayado River Camp
Hike back to Camping Headquarters via Tooth Ridge Trail

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Campsite Elevations: 7,021' Minimum, 11,632' Maximum **Camps:** 6 Staffed, 4 Trail, 1 Dry Camp

Conservation: Cito Peak **Sections Maps:** South

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Itinerary 12-33

Super Strenuous

80 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

- Baldy Mountain - 12,441 ft.
- Valle Vidal
- Greenwood Canyon
- Copper Park

Program Highlights

- Rockclimbing & Rappelling
- Railroading & Blacksmithing
- 12 ga. Shotgun Shooting
- Challenge Coure Events

Conservation

- Day 6 - Whiteman Vega
- National Forest Cons. Projects

Trailhead
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Greenwood Tract
Elliott Barker
State Wildlife Area
Colin Neblett
State Wildlife Area
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Ponil Pk
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