

Philmont Scout Ranch

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"I want to come back to Philmont!" That's what YOU will say by the end of your 1st trip to Philmont. And by the end of every Philmont trip you make. "I want to hike between the breathtaking peaks and into the endless valleys. I want to make a Class 5 climb up a rock face, to ride horses through mountain meadows, to shoot black powder rifles, to fish in clear mountain streams, to pan for gold. I want to hike through haunted Urraca Mesa, to see the B-24 bomber 1942 crash site. I want to fly a kite from the top of Mt. Baldy (elev. 12,441 ft.), to hike to the top of the Tooth of Time and view the valleys that the wagon trains came through on their way west." "I want to go to Philmont." YOU CAN! And you do not have to wait for your unit to arrange it's own Philmont trip. Each year, DBC sends several crews to Philmont, with space for youth and adults, male and female. The Council Contingent trip is ideal for youth from small units that do not have enough interest to arrange their own Philmont trip. You will find more information about the Dan Beard Council Contingents below at Philmont 2014 or Philmont 2015. You will find information about your unit arranging it's own Philmont trip at Philmont Unit Expeditions. The Philmont experience is unlike any other offered by BSA. Revered among Scouts as being the "ultimate" Scouting adventure, Philmont promises breathtaking scenery, personal challenges and many team building experiences. It is considered by many to be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and the epitome of scouting adventures. The opportunity does not present itself often, and all who qualify are encouraged to take the challenge. It will be a time of great physical, emotional and spiritual growth. The experience promises to be both tough and rewarding. It promises to provide memories to last a lifetime. Philmont Scout Ranch is owned and operated by the Boy Scouts of America. Philmont is large, comprising 137,493 acres of rugged mountain wilderness in the Sangre de Cristo (Blood of Christ) range of the Rockies. The high mountains rise to elevations ranging from 6,500 ft to Mt. Baldy's towering 12,441 ft. (To appreciate this, consider that Cincinnati is at 560 ft.) The ranch operates 32 staffed camps and 50 unstaffed camps, and offers a variety of programs that provide a range of challenging outdoor experiences. Crews backpack for 11 days, typically covering 6-12 miles a day, accompanied by an experienced Philmont Ranger for the first two days of the trek. "I want to sign up for the Council trip to Philmont." Registration for the Council contingent for the summer of 2014 is open. Registration for the Council contingent for the Summer of 2015 will be available January 1, 2014. See details below. For information on Dan Beard Council contingents, please contact: Jason Baldrige, Senoir Program Director (513) 577-7692 jason.baldrige@scouting.org Philmont Scout Ranch Cimarron, New Mexico 87714 (505) 376-2281 www.scouting.org/philmont/