

Itinerary 12-5

Challenging

55 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

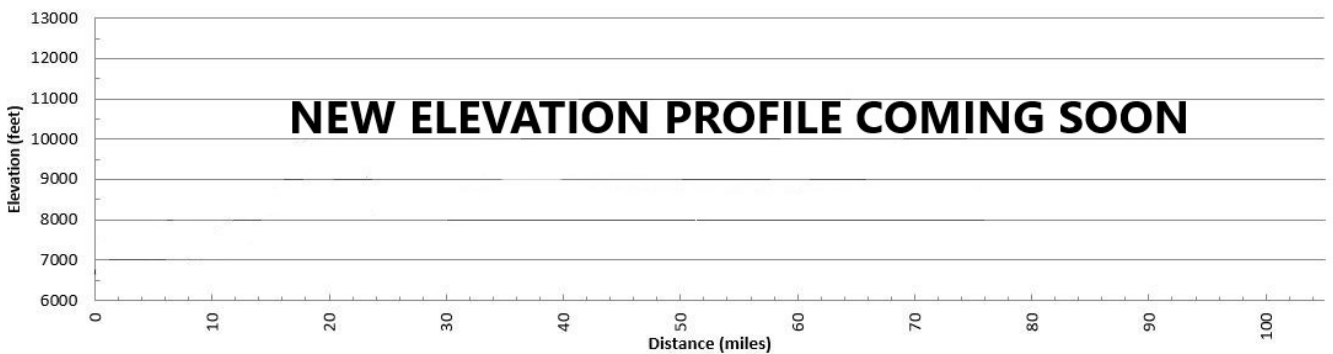
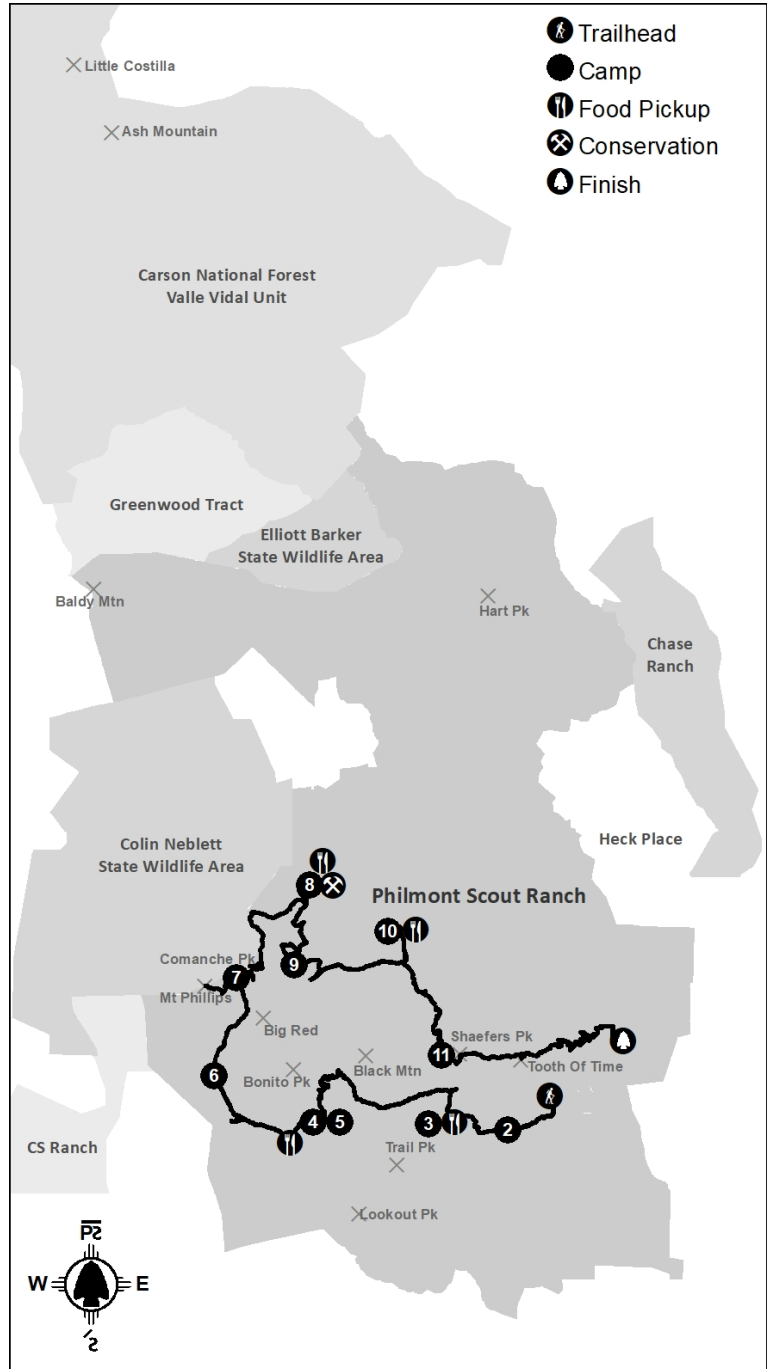
- Mt. Phillips - 11,736 ft.
- Tooth of Time - 9,003 ft.
- Comanche Peak - 11,303 ft.

Program Highlights

- .30-06 Rifle Shooting
- Muzzle Loading Rifles
- Western Lore
- Rock Climbing & Rappelling

Conservation

- Day 8 - Sawmill
- 2:00pm
- New Trail Construction



2023 PHILMONT ADVENTURE ITINERARY

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This challenging itinerary will take you to some of the south country's most iconic peaks with great program opportunities along the way. Start out at Lovers Leap Trailhead and receive Ranger training during your stay at Lovers Leap that night. Next, hike through Miners Park and participate in rock climbing before hiking up the North Fork Urraca the next day. Enjoy the beautiful hike and be sure to look for the Grizzly Tooth rock formation! Ultimately, you will reach the post-Civil War encampment at Black Mountain and participate in .58-caliber muzzle loading rifle shooting and blacksmithing before heading to Beaubien for a two-night layover. At Beaubien you will learn all about life on the cattle trail, ride horses, eat a hearty chuckwagon dinner, and listen to the sounds of western music at their campfires. Next, you'll begin your approach towards Mt. Phillips by spending a night at Comanche Creek camp, but not before you stop by and visit the homestead at Crooked Creek. Get your rest, as you will be hitting two peaks of over 11,000 ft. each the next day! Throw some tomahawks with the fur trappers at Clear Creek and then take the new Order of the Arrow trail to summit Mt. Phillips, then you will take a short hike to Comanche Peak before finally bedding down for the night. Sawmill is next on your journey, where you will get to experience reloading ammunition, then firing those rounds through their .30-06 rifles. Make your way to Cyphers Mine to immerse yourself in mining history, take a tour of the Contention Mine, and try your hand at blacksmithing. Be ready after dinner for their evening musical performance: The Stomp. Next, enjoy a hike down Cito Creek to visit Waite Phillips cabin at Hunting Lodge. Get a tour of the cabin if you like, but head to Cimarroncito for your food pickup and some time in the climbing gym. Your journey is not over yet, as you must journey towards your final night on the trail at Shaefers Pass Camp. Get plenty of water at Clarks Fork, as you will need it as you make your ascent to Shaefers Peak and the Tooth of Time. Enjoy the views across the plains to the East, and the beautiful mountains of Philmont to the North and West, reflecting on the journey you have taken and the challenges you have conquered as a crew. Then, make your way across Tooth Ridge and down into your final destination, Base Camp!

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	Lovers Leap	1.6	935'	571'	Ranger Training; Trail Camp	Camping HQ
3	MINERS PARK ^s	2.1	768'	253'	Rock Climbing and Rappelling	Miners Park
4	BEAUBIEN ^s	8.5	2,385'	1,038'	Blacksmithing, Muzzle Loading Rifles @ Black Mountain; Campfire @ Beaubien	
5	BEAUBIEN ^s	0.0	0'	0'	Western Lore/Branding, Horse Rides, Chuckwagon Dinner; Campfire	
6	Comanche Creek	6.4	936'	648'	Homesteading, Cabin Tour @ Crooked Creek; Trail Camp	Phillips Junction
7	Comanche Peak ^d	9.0	2,432'	1,020'	Tomahawks @ Clear Creek; Climb Mt. Phillips; Climb Comanche Peak; Water @ Red Hills; Trail Camp	
8	SAWMILL ^s	6.2	327'	2,208'	Conservation Project; .30-06 Rifle Shooting and Reloading	Sawmill
9	CYPHERS MINE ^s	5.1	1,077'	936'	Gold Panning, Mine Tour, Campfire	
10	CIMARRONCITO ^s	4.8	408'	1,611'	Blacksmithing @ Cyphers Mine; Historic Hunting Lodge Tour; Climbing Gym	Cimarroncito
11	Shaefers Pass ^d	5.9	1,639'	1,061'	Visit Demonstration Forest; Water @ Clarks Fork; Trail Camp	
12	Camping HQ	7.7	1,443'	3,461'	Climb Shaefers Peak, Climb Tooth of Time; Hike in via Tooth Ridge; Awards Campfire	

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

Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Lovers Leap Trailhead to go to Lovers Leap Camp

Hike back to Camping Headquarters via Tooth Ridge Trail

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

Campsite Elevations: 7,313' Minimum, 11,038' Maximum

Camps: 5 Staffed, 4 Trail, 1 Layover, 2 Dry Camps

Conservation: Sawmill

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.