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Order of the Arrow - National Honor Society of the Boy Scouts of America



HIGH ADVENTURE



FLORIDA SEA BASE

- Sailing
- Fishing
- Snorkeling
- Kayaking
- Scuba diving



NORTHERN TIER

- Wilderness
- Canoeing
- Fishing
- International
- Winter Expeditions



PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH

- Backpacking
- Rock Climbing
- Shooting Sports
- Horseback Riding
- Living History



THE SUMMIT

- High Adventure
- Summer Camp
- Rock Climbing
- Shooting Sports
- Zip Lining



Challenge yourself at **BSA's High Adventure Bases**. From the aquatic adventures of **Florida Sea Base** to the canoeing or winter camping challenge of **Northern Tier**, from the backpacking expeditions at **Philmont Scout Ranch** to the adventure sports programs at **The Summit Bechtel Reserve**, these experiences will shape you and teach you about yourself

BSA High Adventure

Florida National High Adventure Sea Base

Address: 73800 Overseas Highway, Lower Matecumbe Key, Islamorada, FL 33036

Website: <http://www.bsaseabase.org/>

Florida Sea Base is located in the heart of the beautiful Florida Keys, with the camp extending to places including Islamorada, Summerland Key, Great Abaco Island, Marsh Harbor, and the Bahamas. The perfect weather coupled with the massive reefs and crystal clear water makes this camp the king of BSA aquatics. Several high adventure programs are available to Scouts. One includes a trip to the Sea of Abaco and the Bahamas, where Scouts man a tall ship outfitted with kayaks for exploring and discovering reefs. Other programs include scuba diving for old shipwrecks; survival on the wild Big Munson Island; a week of the fishing throughout the Florida Straights, Gulf of Mexico, and the Atlantic Ocean; and numerous other adventure and sailing programs!

Fee: varies according to program

Availability: year-round programs

Bahamas Adventure

Availability: spring/summer season

Description: Participants will get a taste of the Bahamas on this seven-day adventure, which includes swimming and snorkeling in Marsh Harbor, fishing in the Abacos, and traditional Bahamian sailing to exotic islands.

Bahamas Tall Ship Adventure

Availability: spring/summer season

Description: On this seven-day trip, participants sail a tall-ship outfitted with snorkeling gear and kayaks for exploring reefs and coves along the journey.

Coral Reef Sailing

Availability: year-round

Description: This week long event puts participants aboard a yacht, where they can plan their own adventure filled with snorkeling and fishing all while sailing in a self-contained home.

Eco Adventure

Availability: year-round

Description: For a week, participants will live aboard two sailboats from which they will snorkel, kayak, and explore the ocean floor in this educational adventure.

Florida Fishing Adventure

Availability: year-round

Description: Spend a week having the fishing trip of your life as you travel to and fish at

the different ecosystems Florida Sea Base has to offer.

Keys Adventure

Availability: year-round

Description: Participants can plan their own exciting events over this seven-day trip, including overnights, examining marine life, boating, fishing, and snorkeling.

Open Ocean Adventure

Availability: summer season

Description: Crews will sail aboard the 100' schooner Halie & Matthew for seven days. This trip takes participants the farthest from the Sea Base to places such as the Dry Tortugas and Fort Jefferson. Tours of destinations and the Florida Keys are included, as well as snorkeling.

Out Island Adventure

Availability: year-round

Description: A true high-adventure program, wade ashore Big Munson Island carrying all of your gear and food. Survival is your goal on this seven-day event. Fishing, kayaking, and snorkeling are available on select days of the trip.

SCUBA Adventure

Availability: year-round

Description: Certified divers can explore coral reefs and shipwrecks over this eight-day event. Participants will have the chance for 11 dives, including one deep dive and one night dive.

SCUBA Certification Adventure

Availability: year-round

Description: Become SCUBA certified over this eight-day course taught by professional instructors and filled with open water dives.

SCUBA Live Aboard Adventure

Availability: year-round

Description: This eight-day adventure combines sailing and SCUBA diving. Certified divers will sail around Florida Keys with opportunities for fishing and 15 dives (including three night dives).

Sea Exploring Adventure

Availability: year-round

Description: Designed for large groups, this eight day sailing trip aboard a schooner will take participants around the Florida Keys, including a port call in Key West. Activities during the voyage include snorkeling and fishing.

Visit website for more information



Northern Tier National High Adventure Bases

Address: 14798 Moose Lake, Ely, MN 55731

Phone: 218.365.4811 (Charles L. Sommers Wilderness Canoe Base)

Email: info@ntier.org Website: <http://www.ntier.org/>

Northern Tier is the canoeing base of the National High Adventure Program. Located in Minnesota, this camp has several facilities spread throughout Canada as well. At the Charles L. Sommers Wilderness Canoe Base in Ely, Minnesota, participants enter the base through the old fur trading post stockade. Over the course of their visit, they can explore waterfalls, fish, travel into remote country, and much more!

At the Don Rogert Canoe Base in Atikokan, Ontario (Canada), Scouts will gain the ultimate canoeing experience as they have the chance to explore millions of acres of pristine forests, thundering waterfalls, and glacier lakes. Scouts can fish, visit ancient pictographs, or simply explore the unspoiled wilderness.

At the Northern Expeditions Canoe Base in Bissett, Manitoba (Canada), canoeing crews will outfit at a modern canoeing base before taking off in a floatplane into the Canadian bush. The area around the base is known for its gold mining heritage and opportunities for one of the best wilderness adventures ever. Besides canoeing, Northern Tier offers several other programs.

The OKPIK Winter Adventures Program teaches Scouts cold-weather camping skills as they participate in activities such as dog sledding, snow shelter building, animal tracking, ice fishing, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing, among others. Backpacking treks, canoeing trips, fishing trips, and other tours are available to Scouts in the fall.

Fee: varies according to program; budget planning forms available online for cost

Availability: year-round programs

Visit website for more information



Philmont Scout Ranch

Address: 17 Deer Run Road, Cimarron, NM 87714

Phone: 575.376.2281

Email: camping@philmontscoutranch.org

Website: <http://philmontscoutranch.org/>

Since its founding in 1938, over 900,000 Scouts and Scouters have had the Philmont experience. With 137,500 acres of land, Philmont Scout Ranch is the largest National High Adventure Base, and has 34 staffed camps and 55 trail camps. This rugged wilderness is a backpacking dream for Scouts with its beautiful scenery and rocky trails.

Its itineraries range from 51 mile challenging backpacks to 106 miles “super strenuous” treks. Groups and crews can choose one of the 35 treks to participate in. Programs along each itinerary include black powder rifles, chuck wagon dinners, gold panning, geocaching, shogun shooting, rock climbing, mountain biking, fishing, .30-06 shooting, horse riding, burro racing, blacksmithing, and numerous other educational, historical, just for fun, or scout skill program areas. Each itinerary has a different assortment of these program opportunities. Horse cavalcades are also available. Individual backpacking treks, leadership and outdoor schools, and cavalcades are offered for those not participating with a larger group. The Philmont Store, Tooth of Time, offers backpacking equipment to outfit crews before their treks.

Fee: varies according to program

Availability: year-round programs

Standard treks

Cavalcade

(10-15 people per crew)

Availability: summer season

Description: This eight day horseback ride allows crews to ride through the rugged mountain wilderness like the early trappers, ending with a gymkhana on the last day.

Treks

7 or 12 days

Availability: summer season

Individual opportunities treks—

Ranch Hands

Availability: year-round

Description: Ranch Hands is a program for Scouts with a knowledge of horsemanship. Participants will take care of Philmont’s 300 horses and 80 burros while expanding their skills and experience.

Rayado

Availability: year-round

Description: Rayado is considered the Ultimate Wilderness Challenge. Participants of this three-week program will experience areas of Philmont unseen by regular expeditions.

The program is geared towards preparing participants for elite positions as Philmont staff.

ROCS

Availability: year-round

Description: The Roving Outdoor Conservation School is a program, which teaches participants about resource management and conservation. This program is ideal for those

older Scouts interested in forestry, resource management, ecology, geology, and fisheries management.

Trail Crew Trek

Availability: year-round

Description: This fourteen-day trek includes 7 days of trail building, followed by a 7 day educational trek throughout Philmont.

Visit website for more information



Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve

Address: 2550 Jack Furst Drive Glen Jean, WV 25846 Phone (304) 465-2800

Website: <https://summit.scouting.org/>

The newest National High Adventure Base, the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve is the future home of the National Jamboree as well as the Summit High Adventure Base and National Center for Scouting Excellence. Much of the funding for the camp came from the Stephen D. Bechtel, Jr. Foundation, whose donation of \$50 million (the largest in BSA history) helped pay for the land and construction.

The camp is located in Southern West Virginia, where it borders the New River Gorge, popular white-water rafting, mountain biking, and rock-climbing area. attendance of 50,000 Scouts. The Order of the Arrow in the summer of 2011 participated in SummitCorps service project, which involved the creation of trails from the Summit to the New River Gorge. Reservations: now open

Visit <https://summit.scouting.org/> for more information

