

Hidden Trails

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*Equestrian Vacations
- on & with Hidden Trails*

About Hidden Trails

Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.

With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.

You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.

We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Wind River Wilderness Horse Ranch - USA, North America

Tour Code: GRWY02

6 days / 5 nights ~\$2,600.00

Dates: June- Sept, other dates possible

Trip Rating : ●●●●●

Difficulty : ●●●●●

Lodging: ●● BASIC

Tack: Western

Horses: Quarter Horses, cross

Pace: 5-7 hours in the saddle

walking only ...

Walking,

Airport: Riverton



Introduction

Wyoming, USA

Remotely located in the Wind River Mountains, the ranch lies at the edge of the Popo Agie Wilderness area of the Shoshone National Forest, the world's first National Forest! At 9,200 feet above sea level, you will find sparkling mountain lakes, glaciers and pristine forests right outside your cabin porch. Rustic comfort, western hospitality and friendly staff make this place perfect for your summer vacation! Your stay in a cozy handcrafted log cabin includes family style meals in the lodge, daily horseback riding, wild trout fishing, natural history hikes and wildlife watching.

Children age 6 and older are welcome and encouraged to participate in all ranch activities with their parents. Overnight wilderness pack trips are also available as an upgrade. You may also explore the nearby Wind River Indian Reservation, historic gold mining towns, Yellowstone Park or go white water rafting. Friendly and informal, the ranch has only 4 guest cabins, assuring you a personalized and relaxing wilderness experience.

This ranch is the perfect place for a family vacation, a summer retreat or a mountain getaway. Since 1973, the Allen family has owned and operated the ranch with their staff of friendly wranglers. Jim's grandfather was also a dude rancher and outfitter here during the 1920's and 1930's. You can rely on the Allen's to provide a memorable wilderness vacation.

Since we are Wyoming's highest and most remote dude ranch, we are off the grid. We are proud of the rustic comfort we provide guests in each painstakingly handcrafted log cabin. The ranch is small, yet friendly with propane lights, sink and heater in each cozy cabin with showerhouse nearby. Daylight lasts until bedtime during the summer ranch vacation season. After dinner, we often enjoy conversation on the porch of the main lodge while viewing spectacular alpine sunsets over towering snowcapped peaks. The nightly horse stampede is also exciting as 70 horses thunder through the corral gate to graze unfenced mountain meadows.

Experience our unique wilderness hospitality and the mountain grandeur that can only be enjoyed far away from noisy highways and crowded civilization. What better way to spend time and create lasting memories with your family.

Accommodation



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The Ranch Vacation is a stationary ride, so all nights will be spent at the ranch.

The Pack Trip involves 3 nights tenting.

Description

There is no laundry or WIFI available at the ranch or during the pack trips.

You need to bring your sleeping bag, pillow and towel only on pack trips (bedding provided at the ranch).

Camping

For the pack trips, you will stay in 2-person dome tents. You will be sleeping on the ground/ a sleeping pad if you choose to bring one. You will need to bring your own sleeping bag. Washrooms are trench outhouses and bathing can be done in the streams. Please bring a solar charger to charge any electronics.

Ranch

The ranch is the highest one in Wyoming and the only ranch at the edge of the 100,000 acre Popo Agie (pronounced Puh-Posia) Wilderness Area. Since we are Wyoming's highest and most remote dude ranch, we are off the grid. We are proud of the rustic comfort we provide guests in each painstakingly handcrafted log cabin. Daylight lasts until bedtime during the summer ranch vacation season when we light our propane lights, free from electricity. After dinner, we often enjoy conversation on the porch of the main lodge while viewing spectacular alpine sunsets over towering snowcapped peaks. The nightly horse stampede is also exciting as 70 horses thunder through the corral gate to graze unfenced mountain meadows.

With only 5 guest cabins, we offer you a friendly, personalized dude ranch experience. Cabins are complete with bedding, pillows, and towels, as well as a wood stove for heating. Facilities include a traditional ranch cookhouse for meals and shared shower houses and outhouses.

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Room Options

If we are unable to find another rider to share, single supplement is mandatory.



Meals

Your stay includes three meals a day.

At the ranch

Meals are hearty, with meat three times a day, and done in class ranch style. Coffee, juices and tea are available throughout the day. Feel free to bring your own alcohol.

Breakfast is at 7:00am and dinner is at 6:00pm.

On pack trips

Breakfast includes bacon or sausage, eggs, potatoes, muffins or oatmeal etc.

For lunch, we prepare a hearty sack for the trail with a sandwich, fruit, and other treats.

Dinner is freshly prepared with meat, fresh salad or vegetable and sides. Often beef, or pork grilled on campfire, possibly chicken or burger in fajita or another meal. If it is a long trip, smoked or prepared meats that last longer are used toward the end of the trip.

Dietary Restrictions

We can cater to dietary restrictions if given prior notice.

Riding



We breed, raise and train our own sturdy, gentle mountain-wise horses for your use on the ranch.

HELPFUL HINTS:

- We always ride our horses at a walk for safety and high-altitude considerations. Enjoy the solitude and alpine beauty from the back of an experienced mountain horse.

- Prior riding experience is very helpful for your own comfort, balance, and safety. If you are able to ride before the trip, please do so! The more experience you can gain before your trip, the better! This will help reduce soreness as you prepare your muscles for multiple hours in the saddle. Anticipate spending anywhere from 3 to 8 hours in the saddle each day, riding through some rocky, steep terrain. Preparing your body for the saddle will make your experience much more enjoyable. Gaining experience and a deeper understanding of horses ahead of time will also help to mitigate the risks involved in this activity.

- You are welcome to walk/lead your horse periodically throughout the rides, in order to stretch your legs. This will help mitigate soreness from long hours in the saddle. Please take this into consideration as you plan footwear that is both suitable for riding (smooth bottom with a heel) and is comfortable for walking on rocky trails.

- Stay hydrated! In higher altitude and dry climate your body requires more fluids. Drink lots of water, even starting before you come up to the ranch.





Itinerary



Next to daily riding, other activities on the ranch include hiking, trout fishing, wildlife viewing and trips to nearby hot springs. These parts of the Winds are so vast that most folks sign up for one of our pack trips to reach just a few of the 30 lakes and many streams available from the ranch.

Chat with your wrangler each day to plan rides that best match the goals and abilities of you, your family or group. Ride to high lookouts, rivers, streams or lakes - there is an abundance of options! Unlike most dude ranches that have a pre-set daily schedule, we enjoy tailoring a unique experience to each individual or group, allowing everyone private rides each day.

Daylight lasts until bedtime during the summer ranch vacation season. After dinner, we often enjoy conversation on the porch of the main lodge while viewing spectacular alpine sunsets over towering snowcapped peaks. The nightly horse stampede is exciting as 80 horses thunder through the corral gate to graze unfenced mountain meadows.

Approximate riding times for the pack trips are:

Middle Lake - 4 hrs/ 10 mi

Valentine Lake - 6 hrs/ 15 mi

Cliff Lake - 5 hrs/ 12 mi

Dutch Oven Lake - 5½ hrs/ 14 mi

Baer Lake - 5½ hrs/ 15 mi

Washakie Lake - 7 hrs/ 17½ mi

Lonesome Lake - 6½ hrs/ 17 mi

Grave Lake - 8 hrs/ 20 mi

The inlet of Grave Creek on Grave Lake is as far as we can go for a one day charge.

Baptiste and Mt. Hooker are a 10 hour ride and charged at two days.



Popo Agie Wilderness Area

The Popo Agie Wilderness was first established as a primitive area on March 2s, 1932. The area, containing 101,991 acres, was classified as wilderness by the Wyoming Wilderness Act of 1984. It is bounded by the Wind River Indian Reservation on the north, and the Bridger Wilderness on the Bridger- Teton National Forest on the west.

The Popo Agie Wilderness is within the boundaries of the Shoshone National Forest in western Wyoming. It lies immediately east of the Continental Divide, 18 miles west of Lander, 135 miles west of Casper, and 80 miles north of Rock Springs, Wyoming. It is accessible via trailheads which may be reached by US Highway 287,



Wyoming Highway 131 and secondary roads.

The topography of the Popo Agie is very rough, consisting of high jagged peaks separating many beautiful stream courses in deep, narrow valleys and canyons along a 25-mile stretch of the southern Wind River Range. Sheer granite walls are prevalent. There are several permanent snowfields along the Continental Divide. Wind River Peak, 13,255 feet in elevation is the highest peak associated with the Popo Agie. It is on the western boundary which is common with the Bridger Wilderness on the Bridger-Teton National Forest. Over twenty summits above 12,000 feet in elevation are present within the Popo Agie Wilderness. The lowest elevation, 8,400 feet, is at the point where the eastern boundary crosses the Middle Fork Popo Agie River. Over 300 lakes and ponds are dispersed throughout the area. Headwaters of the Middle Fork Popo Agie, North Fork Popo Agie, and South Fork Little Wind Rivers originate here. All are tributaries of the Wind River. The montane, subalpine, and alpine vegetative life zones are represented within the wilderness.



Fly-fishing

Also, for non-riders, or those that like fishing, the ranch is in a prime location to spend the days waiting for a tug on that fishing rod. Cutthroat trout are the only native fish in the Wind River Range. However, thanks to the old-timers who horse packed young fingerlings in milk cans to secluded lakes, today you can also enjoy catching golden, rainbow, mackinaw, brook and beautifully colored hybrid trout.

We encourage catch and release fishing, but recommend fresh pan-fried trout at least once during your stay.

Fishing rods should be in hard protective cases; shorter pack rods are better on the pack horse.

Wyoming fishing licenses may be purchased ahead online at <http://wgfcms.wyo.gov/apply-or-buy> or in Lander at Wind River Outdoor Company or the Good Place on Main St.

Other Info

Meeting: Ranch near Lander

Airport: Riverton

Distance: 85 km / 53 miles

Transfers can be arranged from Riverton upon request. Bes to rent a car. Check-in is at the ranch from 4:00pm on Day 1. Please, note that dinner is served at 6 pm (we recommend you arrive before that time).

Tack: Western

Horses: Quarter Horses, cross

Pace: 5-7 hours in the saddle walking only - rugged trails

Walk |

Level: 🐾🐾🐾🐾🐾 (1 to 3 out of 5) All riding levels

Age: Min 6

Weight: 220 lbs

Riders: Min 2 riders Max 10 riders Max Capacity 15
(per riding group)

Rates and Dates 2024 - GRWY02

Rates include: Accommodations, All meals & riding days according to program
Overnight pack trips can be arranged with a surcharge during your stay

Packages and Options

Season	Description	~US\$
A 2024	6 day Ranch	\$2600
	Child 6-12 yrs	\$2300
B 2024	5 day Ranch	\$2300
	Child 6-12 yrs	\$2000

Gratuity:15 %
Tax:\$ 5
Rates Note:Shorter stays possible for ranch trips (minimum 3 nights) & Longer stays possible for pack trips (max 5 nights) - please inquire

Transfer Option

Description

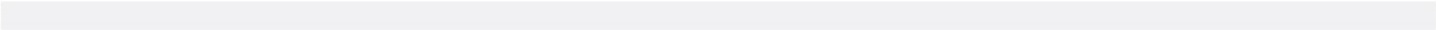
2024	Single supplement +25%	
2024	Transfers from Riverton upon request, best to rent a car	
2024	Overnight Pack Trip Upgrade, pp	\$350

Tour Dates

Season	Tour Dates		
A 2024	07/08/2024 - 07/13/2024	6d / 5n	6 day Ranch
B 2024	07/08/2024 - 07/12/2024	5d / 4n	5 day Ranch
B 2024	07/29/2024 - 08/02/2024	5d / 4n	5 day Ranch
A 2024	07/29/2024 - 08/03/2024	6d / 5n	6 day Ranch
A 2024	08/05/2024 - 08/10/2024	6d / 5n	6 day Ranch
B 2024	08/05/2024 - 08/09/2024	5d / 4n	5 day Ranch
B 2024	08/11/2024 - 08/15/2024	5d / 4n	5 day Ranch
A 2024	08/11/2024 - 08/16/2024	6d / 5n	6 day Ranch
A 2024	08/19/2024 - 08/24/2024	6d / 5n	6 day Ranch
B 2024	08/19/2024 - 08/23/2024	5d / 4n	5 day Ranch
B 2024	08/25/2024 - 08/29/2024	5d / 4n	5 day Ranch
A 2024	08/25/2024 - 08/30/2024	6d / 5n	6 day Ranch
A 2024	09/02/2024 - 09/07/2024	6d / 5n	6 day Ranch
B 2024	09/02/2024 - 09/06/2024	5d / 4n	5 day Ranch

Min/Max: 2/10

Rates do not include:Gratuities, Taxes & Transfers



Reservation Form

Tour : _____ Code #: _____ from: _____ to : _____

The Travelers (Last Name, First Name)	Male Female	Single room / or tent	Birth Date MM/DD/YY	Height	Weight	Special diets													
						Special diets	Beginner	NoVICE	Intermediate	Strong Intern.	Advanced	ride English	ride Western	mostly arena	mostly hacking				
1. _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Special Diets: _____

Your fitness level: Excellent ☐ Moderate ☐ Poor ☐ How long have you been riding? _____

How often do you ride? _____ Have you been on other riding tours? No ☐ Yes ☐ last trip when? _____

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES ☐ NO ☐

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: _____

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions and the Hidden Trails Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.

I (we) will sign and forward the Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

Last Name and First Name (The Traveler) _____

Street _____ e-mail _____

City _____ State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____

Phone (wk) _____ (hm) _____ Cell _____ Fax _____

Date _____ Signature (mandatory) 1. _____

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum \$ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

For payments by VISA ☐ or Mastercard ☐ (no debit cards)

Cardholder: _____

Card # _____ 3 digit Security # _____

Exp.Date: _____ Signature _____

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than mailing address):

I have enclosed a check for the deposit ☐

Additional Signatures:

2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Travel Cancellation Insurance Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up ☐ initial _____

No, we will provide our own ☐ initial _____

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