

Risk

The Double H strives to minimize risks to participants and advisors by emphasizing proper safety precautions. If you decide to attend the Double H, you should be physically fit, have proper clothing and equipment, be willing to follow instructions and work as a team with your crew and take responsibility for your own health and safety. Like other wilderness areas, the Double H is not risk free and you should be prepared to listen to safety instructions carefully, follow directions, and take appropriate steps to safeguard yourself and others.

Each participant on a Double H trek must not exceed the maximum acceptable weight limit for their height, a copy of which will be mailed with your reservation form. Those who fall within the limit are more likely to have an enjoyable trek and avoid incurring health risks. Every Double H trek involves hiking with a 35-50 lb. backpack at elevations over 7,000 feet. The Double H recommends that participants carry a pack weighing no more than 25-30% of their body weight. The Risk Advisory must be shared with all participants.

Regional Highlights

The southwest has a lot to offer crews on their way to or from the Double H. Located across US Highway 60 from the Double H is the Very Large Array (VLA), part of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory; you can visit these baseball diamond size satellite dishes and learn about the mapping of the universe.

There is also the southwest flair of Albuquerque and Santa Fe. In historical Santa Fe, you can visit sites that were discovered by Spanish conquistadors. You can arrange for white water rafting down the Rio Grande or visit Bandalier National Monument.

Located south of the Double H is the world-renowned Carlsbad Caverns, one of the nation's treasures. You can also visit White Sands Missile Range and the Trinity site.

There are many places for your crew to stay while in the area, including National Forests and National Parks. The Double H experience is not only what you do while at the Base, but also the adventure of getting to and from here as well.



Double H High Adventure Base 2006 Reservation Information

The Double H High Adventure Base, located in Datil New Mexico, is the newest Adventure of the Boy Scouts of America. The Double H will provide you and your crew with a rugged backpacking experience unlike any you have done before.

Your crew will arrive at the Base and be teamed up with a Wilderness Guide; this Guide will spend the entire trek with you, providing training and program. Your Adventure will be a strenuous one that will require teamwork and preparation.

Your crew will have a chance to hike through canyons, navigate cross country with a GPS, and watch prize bull elk. Base Camp is located at over 7,000 feet. Significant elevation changes will occur while hiking through the open ponderosa forest and participating in the exciting programs such as astronomy, Leave-No-Trace, challenge/team building, and much more.

The Double H High Adventure Base is located at the Torstenson Family Wildlife Center, formerly known as the Double H Ranch. The Double H is made possible through a partnership with the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and the Boy Scouts of America. It is also operated by Philmont Scout Ranch and is a program of Philmont.

Thank you for your interest in the Double H High Adventure Base. Please carefully read the following information before making your pre-reservation. Reservations for 2006 will be taken on a first come first serve basis. Please refer to the insert for more pre-reservation information.

Reservations

- 1) All Reservations are done on a first come, first serve basis.
- 2) You must fill out this pre-registration form and mail it to Philmont Scout Ranch.
- 3) If space is available on the date you requested, you will receive a reservation form. This form must be approved by your council and submitted to Philmont within 30 days with a \$50 per participant non-refundable fee. Group size is 7 to 12.
- 4) You will be notified in writing of your confirmed reservation; Council/Unit Planning Guides will be mailed this fall.

No reservations will be done over the phone or by Email!

Fee Payments

The Double H fee of \$350 is charged for every participant, including adult advisors. A deposit of \$50 per participant is required to hold your reservation and is due 30 days after receiving your registration form. Each group is billed for one half of the balance of fees on September 1, 2005. The final payment is due February 1, 2006. All fees are non-refundable and non-transferable to the balance of fees in event of cancellation

Minimum Age Requirements

Scouts and Venturers must be in top physical condition, at least 14 years of age by January 1 of the year attending or have completed the eighth grade and be at least 13 years of age prior to participation, and registered members of the Boy Scouts of America. The Double H can make no exceptions to the minimum age/grade attendance requirements. All participants must adhere to the Double H height and weight requirements

Mail to:

Philmont Scout Ranch
Attn: Double H Registration
17 Deer Run Rd.
Cimarron, NM 87714

General Questions?

505-376-2281
doubleh@philmontscoutranch.org

Double H Experience

On the morning of Day 1, your crew will arrive at the Double H and go through base camp where you will receive crew gear and food. Your crew will receive an orientation from your Wilderness Guide and a member of the Senior Staff, then head to the back country that afternoon.

On Day 4, your crew will arrive at the Martin Camp where you will have a chance to resupply and participate in a western dinner. Your crew will have a chance to shoot black powder rifles and archery.

On Day 2-3 and 5-6, you will explore the Double H. With no established trail system, the Double H is a true rugged, southwestern experience. Along the way, your Wilderness Guide will be providing program for you. With over 100,000 acres to explore and 120 water sources, we will customize your itinerary to meet the goals of your group.

High Adventure Expeditions

The Double H accepts arrivals for 7 day High Adventure Expeditions from June 20 to July 27, 2006. All reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. This pre-reservation form must be completed and returned to Philmont Scout Ranch; this reserves the date your crew is requesting. A reservation form is then mailed to your crew and must be returned, with council approval, within 30 days with a \$50 per participant non-refundable reservation fee. You will then receive a letter confirming your reservation for 2006. Total cost for the Double H expedition will be \$350 per participant.

Double H expeditions are 7 days in length. Groups should plan to arrive at the Double H by 10:00 am on Day 1 and depart by 12:00 pm on Day 7. Meals will begin with lunch on Day 1 and end with breakfast on Day 7. An optional lunch can be bought on Day 7.

“Our boys learned more about using a GPS, map, and compass than any other activity we have done as a Troop” -2004 Advisor

“This is different than any High Adventure experience we have done.” -2004 Participant

“Our crew bonded and accomplished things we never thought possible.” -2004 Advisor



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High Adventure Base
2006 Pre-Registration Form

Please circle: Troop * Varsity Team * Venturing Crew

Council Name _____ Unit # _____
 Contact Name _____
 Contact's Email _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Telephone (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Please use this formula to determine the number of crews you will reserve

of Youth ___ + ___ # of Adults = ___ / 12 = ___ Crews*

**Round Crew # up to the next whole #*

Example: 16 youth + 4 Adults = 20 / 12 = 1.66 crews round to 2 crews

of Crews: _____ (maximum crew size 12, minimum crew size 7)

of Youth: _____ (14 by 1/1/2006 or have completed 8th grade and be at least 13 years of age prior to participation)

of Adults: _____ (21 years of age or older, limited to 4 per crew)
 (Majority of crew must be youth under 21 years of age)

Available arrival dates for 2006: June 20 thru July 27

Arrival Dates:

First Choice: _____

Second Choice: _____

Third Choice: _____

Would your crew accept any date available? YES NO

Signature _____ Date _____

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