



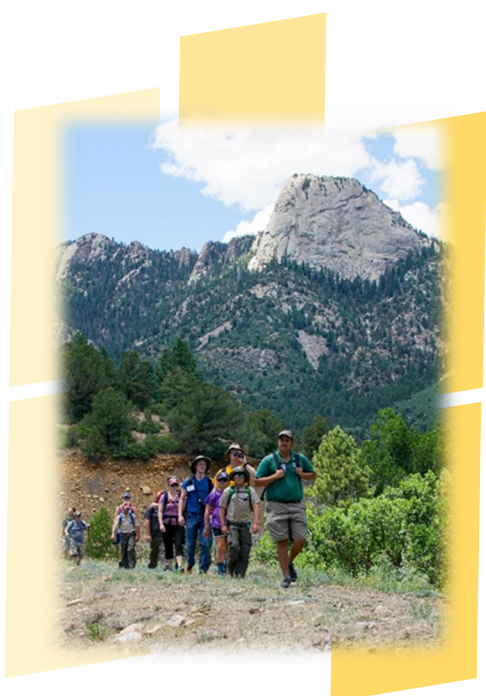
WINTER FAMILY ADVENTURE CAMP



Philmont Scout Ranch
Cimarron, New Mexico

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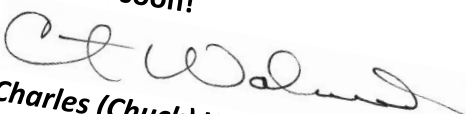
Welcome to the Philmont Training Center host of the Family Adventure Camp.

We are thrilled to have you and your family join us in an exciting adventure led by our exceptional Philmont staff. Your family will enjoy a variety of activities and programs that will help create lasting bonds and discover new experiences together.

In this guidebook, we've tried to cover details and answer questions that may arise before arrive at the ranch. There have been changes from previous years, so 'be prepared' by carefully reading this guidebook and sharing it with your family. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to give us a call or send us an email.

Our customer service team is working hard to plan an exciting and fun-filled week for you and your family. The beauty, history, and unique charm of New Mexico and Philmont awaits you.

See you soon!


Charles (Chuck) Walneck
PTC Task Force Chair


Danny Tucker
PTC Director

About Philmont

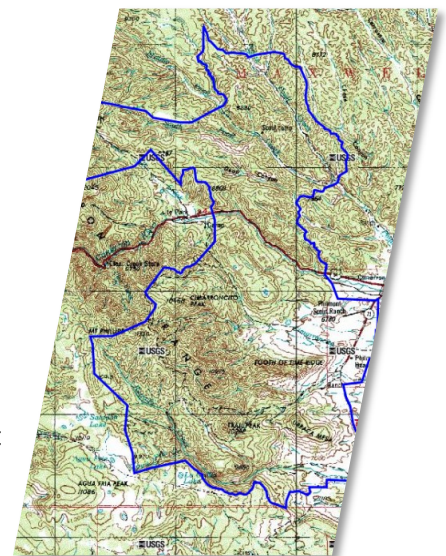
Philmont Scout Ranch spans across 140,171 acres of northeastern New Mexico. Most of that land is part of two gifts from Oklahoma oilman, Waite Phillips, who donated it "for the purpose of perpetuating faith, self-reliance, integrity, and freedom—principles used to build this great country by the American Pioneer."

Philmont's mountain terrain ranges in elevation from 6,621 feet at headquarters to 12,441 feet atop Baldy Mountain. Our abundant wildlife population includes deer, elk, mountain lion, bear, bobcat, buffalo (American bison), and antelope.

Since Waite Phillips's first property gift in 1938, over 1,000,000 Scouts and their leaders have participated in the challenge of the backpacking program offered at Philmont Scout Ranch. Staffed camps offer a variety of activities including horseback riding, burro packing, mountain biking, gold panning, rock climbing, forestry, riflery, archaeology, and much, much more—with an emphasis on environmental awareness.

Mr. Phillips held a deep respect for the American cowboy. As part of the gift, he asked that Philmont always remain a working cattle ranch. Philmont maintains cattle, pack burros, buffalo, and riding horses.

Serving as the **National Training Center** for the **Boy Scouts of America** since 1950, the Philmont Training Center offers a variety of week-long conferences for volunteers and professionals each summer. While a Scout leader is in conference, programs are planned for all members of the family – infant through adult. For the first time in 2018, a family-based adventure experience was hosted by the Philmont Training Center, Philmont Family Adventure Camp.



Philmont Family Adventure Camp

BSA Family Adventure Camp at Philmont Scout Ranch focuses on families experiencing new and exciting Philmont adventures as a family unit. Family Adventure Camp is designed to build bonds and create memories through exciting and interactive programs. Philmont hosts three different seasons of Family Adventure Camp. Our Summer, Autumn, and Winter seasons have different activities and programs available. Our most traditional Family Adventure Camp is hosted in the summer when we have the support of 65 staff to offer the widest variety of programs. Autumn Family Adventure Camp is more focused on the beauty of nature in its changing season. The winter season is for families looking for a winter getaway at our local ski resort. All of our Family Adventure Camps are some of Scouting's best family vacations.

Philmont Staff

Philmont has a much smaller staff in its shoulder seasons. In the winter we average around 50- seasonal staff with a variety of different roles at the ranch. The Training Center has 2-4 seasonal staff during the winter season. Philmont employs a permanent staff of 86 employees that work all year round to keep the ranch running and getting ready for our large influx of staff and participants for the summer season. In the summer Philmont employs about 1,100 seasonal staff to operate our large property and programs at full capacity.

BSA Family Adventure Camp is open to not only registered BSA members and their families; but to families that are not registered members.

For all Philmont Family Adventure Camp activities, minors (under 18 years old) must be accompanied by at least one adult family member 18 years or older. We strongly recommend you make group decisions as a family with the goal of participating together.



PTC Customer Service Team

Assistant Director, Program: Maddy Houk

Registrar: Amanda Martinez

Director: Danny Tucker

PTC Customer Service Office Hours

Winter/Autumn Hours: M-F 8:00am to 5:00pm

Phone Number: 575-376-2281

Email: Philmont.TrainingCenter@scouting.org



What Programs to Expect During our Winter Season

Winter Program Features

Philmont Scout Ranch is located near three world class ski resorts and has access to over 140,000 acres of backcountry pure fun. Weather permitting, families can take day trips to hit the resort slopes, participate in our self guided hikes such as the Lovers Leap and Dino Hikes, visit the National Scouting Museum, and tour the Villa Philmont. Philmont provides all meals and offers a selection of roofed housing for families and individuals to purchase for the time of their stay.

Ski Program:

Philmont partners with the Red River Ski Area and offers group rates for our guests. Guests are required to fill out and sign a waiver regarding rentals at Red River.



Family Adventure Camp is a BSA program so helmets are required for snow sport activities. Red River does not offer us a helmet rental so guests need to rent from Sitzmark Sports. A helmet rental for the day is \$12.

Ski Day Schedule

7:00-7:30am— Breakfast and Sack Lunch Assembly in the Dining Hall

7:30am— Families are ready and prepared at the PTC Pavilion to caravan to Red River for the day.

8:30am— Stop at Sitzmark Sports to rent a helmet for those that need one. Guests can bring their own helmets if they have them

9:00am— Arrive at Red River Ski area to get lift tickets and rentals.

9:30am-3:00pm— Open Ski time (Lunch on your own with your sack lunch)

3:00pm- Caravan back to Philmont

5:00pm— Dinner at PTC Dining Hall

6:30pm-8:00pm— Evening Crackerbarrel and board games



What Programs to Expect

Self Guided Hikes:

Guests can check out in the PTC office if they would like to go on one of our self guided hikes if weather permits.

Hike Requirements

- Must check in and out at the PTC office to get a parking pass
- Must have a buddy to hike with. No solo Hiking
- Must have the required day hike gear. (Warm Layers, Water, Daypack, and a Map (PTC can provide one)).

North Ponil Dinosaur Hike Description

Philmont is home to one of only two confirmed Tyrannosaurus Rex footprints in the world! Charles Pillmore, a USGS research geologist, was mapping the North Ponil Canyon in 1983 and mentioned the possible dinosaur tracks in his field notes. In 1989, he shared the photos with Dr. Martin Lockley, dinosaur track specialist, and the confirmation occurred. Enjoy this **easy**, half day, 2.25-mile roundtrip hike in the North Country of Philmont.

Lovers Leap Hike Description

Lovers Leap is an iconic Philmont spot. The 1.5-mile hike from Lover's Turnaround to Lovers Leap has some elevation change, with the base of the canyon at 6,500 feet climbing to the jutting cliff face at 7,372 feet. Join us in visiting this ancient rock and discover the legend that gave it its name! This **easy half-day**, staff led, 3-mile roundtrip hike contains some trail inclines and declines.

Museum Tours:

National Scouting Museum

The National Scouting Museum shares the rich history of the Boy Scouts of America with visitors, including the tens of thousands of campers, volunteers, and alumni that visit Philmont each year. The Museum is home to the Seton Memorial Library with reading and research rooms, a gift shop with jewelry, books, and mementos, two large exhibit halls, and an 88-person conference room.

The National Scouting Museum is **open Monday– Friday 8-5pm**

Villa Tour

The Villa Philmonte was the New Mexico home of Waite and Genevieve Phillips. It was constructed in the Spanish Mediterranean style from 1926 to 1927 and it is 28,400 square feet in size. The Villa Philmonte is a house museum today. Tour guides tell the story of the Phillips family, their Philmont Ranch, and the gifting of that ranch in two parcels to the Boy Scouts of America, 1938 and 1941. If you have registered for Family Adventure Camp and want to tour the Villa please email maddy.houk@scouting.org.



Before You Arrive

Registering and Paying Your Fees

To register for Winter Family Adventure Camp you must register through a program called Campspot. This program allows you to select your housing and our activity add ons. During the winter season we only have the Ski packages available. All self guided activities do not need an add on. You will pay a by day price when you register. After you have registered look our for an email from one of our staff members. This email will contain a survey where you can list the name and age of each of your family members. There will also be other questions to determine your families needs. An example would be we need to know if anyone in you family has dietary restrictions. This will also be an opportunity for you ask any questions you may have.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

Cancellations and refund requests must be made through the Philmont Training Center email: Philmont.TrainingCenter@scouting.org. In the email, please provide a detailed reason for your cancellation.

Overnight Accommodations:

7+ Days from scheduled arrival = Full Refund of Fees.

0-6 Days from scheduled arrival = Full refund less 5% of fees.

Exceptions to the Rule: Military Service, family death, major medical, or other extenuating circumstances on a per case basis.

The refund will be applied to the credit card or ACH payment listed under the registration profile.



Before You Arrive

What to Bring

Philmont can experience a lot of different weather. In choosing clothing and equipment, please keep in mind Philmont's elevation (6,600 ft.). The winter temperatures can get pretty cold, especially in the wind. Please bring warm clothing and appropriate gear for the program activities you are participating in. If you have any questions please email us at Philmont.Trainingcenter@scouting.org. Below is our all season packing list. We recommend you reference this list when you are deciding what to bring with you.

The following is a basic list for **each** member of your family:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Shower shoes, Toiletries | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Warm sleeping garments | <input type="checkbox"/> Chapstick* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Active clothing for free time, trips to town | <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight* / Extra batteries* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking/hiking shoes or boots*
(shoes must be broken in) | <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing for cold Temps
(Lots of layers) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy wool socks* – <i>for hiking or winter activities</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sweater/Jacket* | <input type="checkbox"/> Daypack*/School Backpack |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat or cap* | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Forms |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rain jacket/pants or poncho* | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Charging Cable/Block |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Long pants and layers | <input type="checkbox"/> A warm coat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Any snow sports personal gear (bibs, Snow pants, coats, etc.) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A waterproof outer shell (Rain gear will work as a waterproof layer)* | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two or three 1-liter water bottles*, 3-Liter water bladder*, or canteen* | |

***These items can be purchased at the Tooth of Time Traders.**

Here are some helpful tips:

- If you have an infant or toddler, consider packing a portable stroller. Walking distances can be a problem for small children.
- We have Osprey Pocos that can be checked out to carry around your small children under 50lbs.



Your Trip to Philmont

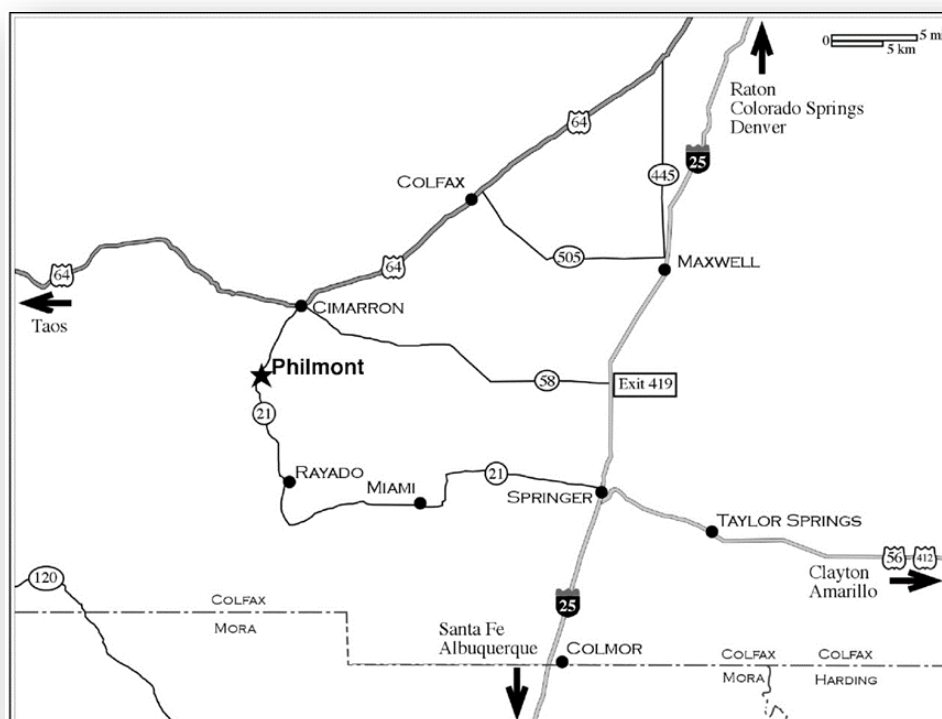
When to Arrive

Check-in is from **2:00 - 4:00pm** the day of your arrival. Lunch is not served on your arrival day. Your first meal with us is the evening of your arrival. Late arrivals must notify the customer service office to receive check-in instructions.

By Automobile

Driving across country to Philmont is a great experience. Depending on your available time, sightseeing opportunities abound between your home and Philmont and in the area around Cimarron. Refer to the map for highway information.

Please note that New Mexico has a mandatory seatbelt law and speed limits are strictly enforced. The speed limit in Cimarron is 35mph and the Philmont Training Center is 15mph. Please drive carefully. Parking is available near tenting and roofed housing areas; however, these spaces are limited, and you may be asked to park in long-term parking. There is no electricity available for charging electric vehicles.



From Denver or Colorado Springs:

Go south on Interstate 25 to Raton, New Mexico (17 miles south of the Colorado border). Four miles south of Raton take Exit 446 onto Highway 64 and drive about 40 miles to Cimarron.

From Albuquerque:

Go north on Interstate 25 about 200 miles to Springer, New Mexico. Three miles north of Springer, take Exit 419 onto Highway 58 and drive about 20 miles to Cimarron. Please note: **There is currently bridge construction on Highway 21 from Miami. It is not possible to get to Philmont via this direction.**

From Taos:

Stay on Highway 64 toward Angel Fire (east of Taos). You travel through Taos Canyon, Eagle Nest, and Cimarron Canyon, to reach Cimarron.

From Cimarron:

Turn south on State Highway 21 and drive approximately 4 miles to Philmont Scout Ranch. As you enter Philmont, you will see several buildings before you reach your destination; these buildings are other parts of Philmont Base Camp, such as the Administration Building.

Look for the brown Philmont Training Center sign near mile-marker 4 and turn left (east) onto Orchard Circle. The Villa Philmonte, the Mediterranean-style home of the Phillips family, is located on the grounds of the Philmont Training Center and will serve as a guide to those arriving by car.

By Plane

The nearest major air terminals are Colorado Springs (190 miles north) and Albuquerque (220 miles south). Other terminals are: Denver (270 miles north), and Amarillo (220 miles east). Raton has a municipal airport for private aircraft. Philmont does not offer any shuttles during the autumn and winter seasons from airports excluding the Raton municipal airport for private aircrafts.

By Bus

Currently, there are scheduled buses each day during the summer from Denver, Colorado Springs, Albuquerque, and Raton. The Raton bus stop is across the street from the Amtrak station. Contact Greyhound at 575-445-9071 or 800-231-2222 or visit www.greyhound.com for more information.

By Train

AMTRAK is scheduled to arrive in Raton twice daily. The late morning train arrives from the east and the late afternoon train arrives from the west. Contact AMTRAK at 800-872-7245 or visit <http://www.amtrak.com>.

Recreation Vehicles

Parking may be available at the Philmont Training Center for RV's, campers, and trailers, but hookups are not available, and no cooking is allowed within RV's that are in the parking area. There are two RV campgrounds in Cimarron if you wish to stay in your RV.

Shuttle Service

From Raton Train Station

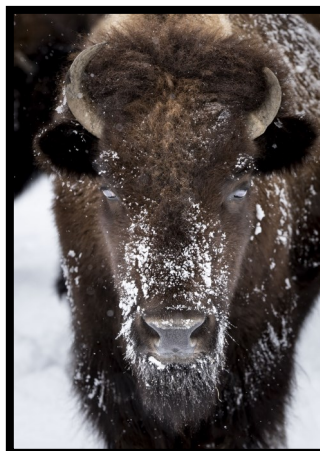
Shuttle reservations must be coordinated with the Philmont using the Shuttle Application. These shuttles do not run every day, so please be sure to check the backside of the Shuttle Sheet for available dates. The shuttle information is available [here](#).

Food and Accommodations

Food Service

Meals are served cafeteria style in our dining hall. Guests will line up outside the Dining Hall Veranda, wash their hands, and then enter. Early-arrivals will be led by the staff in reciting the Philmont Grace. Menus vary, but there is always a salad/fruit bar, cereal with milk, and peanut butter and jelly for sandwiches. Lunch and dinner may also have a soup and

As part of the registration process, you should have indicated If you or a member of your family has special dietary requirements. If you missed this, please let Philmont know in advance by emailing Philmont.TrainingCenter@scouting.org. Philmont's isolated location limits the availability of many specialized food items and these items may need to be brought from home. **Philmont's food service staff will make every effort to meet your needs but may not be able to accommodate persons following strict diets for religious or medical reasons. Philmont does not serve Vegan.**



Meals and Housing

Housing

In the winter the housing available are lodge rooms and bungalows

Lodge Rooms

Our Lodge Roofed Housing option is similar to a hotel room that contains one room with beds, futon, microwave, and refrigerator. There is an attached private bathroom containing a toilet, sink, and shower.

Philmont will provide bedding and towels during your stay in the Lodge Rooms. Room cleaning services will not be provided during the duration of your stay.

Lodge Room— Style 1: Can sleep 2-3 people with two twin beds and a futon.

Lodge Room— Style 2: Can sleep 4-5 people with two sets of bunk beds and a futon.

Villa Bungalows

Our Villa Bungalow Roofed Housing option contains two rooms— one bedroom containing all beds, and one living room with a microwave, refrigerator, and couch. There is an attached private bathroom containing a toilet, sink, and shower.



About Cimarron Village

Where the West is still Wild!

Established in 1857, the village of Cimarron, NM is the Historic Heart of the West. Intriguing and diverse, its history reaches back to the Santa Fe Trail. Cimarron is also home to Philmont Scout Ranch along with the Old Mill Museum, the historic St. James hotel and other area attractions. Cimarron Village today has a population of 900 people. There are a few small hotels and restaurants. Some great restaurants to frequent are the St. James's T.J.'s restaurant and bar, the Cimarron Mercantile, Kathleen's Burrito Banquet, the Cree Mee, Hikers Coffee Co, and the Colfax Tavern heading North of Cimarron towards Raton. There is also a Family Dollar and two gas stations in town. For more information about Cimarron accommodations, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 575-376-2417 or 888-376-2417 or visit their website at www.cimarronnm.com.



At Your Service

The Santa Fe Trail Cafe

The hospitality center provides a guest a place to relax, play games, and gather for fellowship and fun. This is where we have many evening programs. There is a refrigerator to store guest medications, infant formulas, or special food items. There are also warm refreshments available at our Keurig station in this space.

Laundry

A large coin-operated laundry with washers and dryers is located next to Small Fry and is open 24 hours. Laundry detergent and dryer sheets are available in the laundromat in a dispensing machine, along with a change machine. Additional laundry items are available at the Tooth of Time Traders. The PTC office can also make change.

Sunroom and Business Center

Attached to the PTC customer service office and available 24/7 is the Sunroom and an extra office to help guests catch up on work. The Sunroom includes wifi, a library, Dish TV, and overlooks the Greensward fountain. A spare office is dedicated to faculty and guests with access to a computer, phone and printer. There is a nominal fee for copies.

The Tooth of Time Traders (ToTT)

Scouting materials, personal items, gifts, and Philmont souvenirs are available for purchase at the Tooth of Time Traders, located at Camping Headquarters. The store is also an excellent resource for any of your hiking or outdoor needs.



Things to Know

Buffalo and other Wildlife

Philmont's buffalo pasture is located west of Highway 21 as you drive north toward Cimarron. The herd is maintained in three pastures and you may see them if you drive two miles west of the Administration complex. Photos are welcome, but please **do not** cross fences and pull fully off the road when stopping. Buffalo are wild animals and unpredictable.

Philmont is inhabited by a wide variety of wild animals, including deer, turkey, skunks, raccoons, and black bears. During your stay at the Training Center, there are many opportunities to see wildlife; however, please keep your distance and respect their habitat. In addition, please refrain from leaving scented items (food, toiletries, etc.) out in the open.

Firearms, Alcoholic Beverages, and Smoking

Philmont does not permit the possession of personal firearms while on the property. Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is also not permitted on Philmont property. As a facility of the Boy Scouts of America, all buildings and tents at Philmont are smoke-free. Designated smoking areas are the Curtis Pavilion and your own vehicle.

Internet Access and Telephone Service

Philmont has a free wireless internet network called Adventure. Due to the large number of users, the speeds may not be what you are used to at home. All conference buildings have Wi-Fi coverage. Cell coverage is limited. AT&T service is strongest. Other carriers may have weaker signals.

Mail

Outgoing mail is picked up around 10:00am from the mailbox outside the PTC office, Monday through Saturday. Incoming mail is delivered to your family via Philmont Staff. Postcards can be purchased at the Tooth of Time Traders and stamps are for sale at the PTC Office. Parcels should be shipped via U.S. Mail, Federal Express, or UPS. Other services do not deliver to Philmont. **Do not rely on "next day" service, please make sure to allow at least one week for deliveries.**

While at Philmont, your mailing address is:
Your Name
Conference/ Program and Date of Week Attending
Philmont Training Center
17 Deer Run Road
Cimarron, NM 87714

Things to Know

Lost and Found

All lost items that are found are turned into the PTC office or the Dining hall. If you are missing something please let us know what you are missing so we can keep a look out for it.

Nametags

All guests are to wear their nametags at all times. Nametags provide access to the dining hall and is proof you have gone through security and medical recheck.

Pets

Pets, other than those required for assistance (such as seeing-eye dogs), are not allowed at Philmont. The Raton Animal Hospital (575-445-2691) can board pets at a standard daily rate. You must place your pet in a boarding kennel before your arrival at the Training Center.

Philmont Photos

Sometime during your stay Philmont will take a family photo of you if requested with out iconic expedition board.

Philmont Recognition

Guests will receive patches for their attendance. Upon completion of their course, conference guests will receive a special PTC Conference patch. PTC Family Program patch will also be given out for all family program groups. Family Adventure camp participants will also receive a recognition patch.

Conference guests will also receive a certificate. Everyone will receive a Philmont collectible name tag.

The familiar Arrowhead patch is awarded to those who complete a full backcountry trek and satisfy other requirements. This is a protected design and is reserved for only backcountry programs.

Other unique Philmont patches can be purchased at the Tooth of Time Traders, and PTC office.

Uniforms

Philmont is the National Training Center of the Boy Scouts of America. As a representative of your council, district, or unit, we encourage you to wear a complete BSA uniform to flag ceremonies and to dinner. Some conferences may ask that you wear your uniform more often. Kilts are prohibited as part of the BSA official uniform.

In addition, youth who are involved in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, or Girl Scouts are also encouraged to wear their Scout uniforms during these times.

Family Adventures Camp participants are not required to wear uniforms, but are welcome to.

Water Bottle Filling Stations

Filling stations are located around the property in addition to restrooms. Please use a cup to fill bottles at the dining hall beverage dispensers. Also, a water filling station is located in Dining Hall next to the main restrooms.



Health and Safety

Medical Care and Emergency Procedures

Philmont has a comprehensive infirmary to support the nearly 30,000 participants who visit each summer. This staff is ready to help you and your family with any medical needs that may arise. Should you or your family need assistance, contact Nate Lay at 575-447-3637. . In addition, all Philmont staff go through extensive training and are equipped to assist in any emergency.

Keep in mind that PTC is at 6,600 feet elevation. Individuals coming from lower altitudes may experience some discomfort at first. Humidity is low, so visitors should drink plenty of water to avoid dehydration (10-14 glasses a day). Persons who are overweight, out of shape, or who have health concerns should consult a physician before coming to Philmont. While the conferences and family programs are not strenuous, some walking and physical activity is necessary. Sitting here

**In the Case of an
Emergency**

**Please alert the
nearest Philmont
staff member, PTC
Medical Officer,
the Philmont
Infirmary, or dial
911.**

Accessibility

The Training Center dining halls and classrooms are wheelchair accessible. Guests may choose wheelchair-accessible tent platforms and roofed housing as part of the housing registration. Due to limited resources, you must provide your own wheelchair. Unfortunately, wheelchair transportation is not available. Other than motorized wheelchairs, other motorized carts are prohibited. PTC has accessible potty chairs and shower chairs available for check-out.

Health Forms

To provide a safe experience at Philmont Scout Ranch, all participants are required to fill out and bring a completed BSA Annual Health and Medical Record with an attached photocopy of your insurance card:

Parts A, B, and C are required for guests participating in our Family Adventure Camp Ski Program, hiking the Tooth of Time, Kids and Kin youth staying overnight in the backcountry, and participants in Sneak Peak, National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience and Philmont Leadership Challenge.

The BSA Annual Health & Medical Record is available on the Philmont Scout Ranch website.

Please do not email or mail your health forms in advance of your arrival.

As part of the check-in process, all forms will be reviewed by the on-duty Health Officer and will be kept on file at the Philmont Training Center Medical Office until the end of the week, when they will be returned.

**Bring any
necessary
medication (such
as asthma
inhalers, Epi
Pens, or other
needs) as these
items may not be
locally available.**

**Under no circumstance will
any individual over 295 lbs.
be allowed to participate in
backcountry programs,
regardless of height or age.**

**This limit is necessary due to
limitations of rescue
equipment and for the safety
of Philmont personnel. The
maximum weight for any
participant going on a horse
ride is 200 pounds.**

Philmont Weight Limits for Backcountry Participation

Each backcountry participant at Philmont must not exceed the maximum acceptable limit in the weight-for-height chart shown on the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record. Those who fall within the limits are more likely to have an enjoyable experience and avoid incurring health risks. The Philmont staff will use their best professional judgment in determining participation in a Philmont backcountry experience for individuals who exceed the maximum acceptable weight for height. Any exception to the weight limit requires approval from Philmont in advance.

Philmont Country

Philmont Scout Ranch spans 140,171 acres of mountainous territory in the Sangre de Cristo (Blood of Christ) mountain range—a section of the Rocky Mountains located in northeast New Mexico. Elevations at Philmont range from 6,500' to 12,441' and the land varies from heavily forested mountains to semi-arid plains.

Philmont History



Carlos Beaubien

Once inhabited by Jicarilla Apache and Mouache Ute Indians, Philmont was the site of one of the first pioneer settlements in northeastern New Mexico. The present ranch is part of the original Beaubien and Miranda Land Grant, which was granted to Carlos Beaubien and Guadalupe Miranda by the Mexican government in 1841. Beaubien's son-in-law, mountain man Lucien Maxwell, led the first settlers to the grant in 1848. With help of his friend, Kit Carson, Maxwell's settlement on the Rayado River prospered, despite frequent Indian raids and harsh wilderness conditions.

Maxwell moved his ranch north to the Cimarron River in 1857, the site of the present-day Cimarron. It became a famous stop on the Santa Fe Trail, bringing American trade goods into New Mexico. Ten years after Maxwell moved to the Cimarron, gold was discovered on his ranch near Baldy Mountain. For years afterward, the mountains and streams of Maxwell's Ranch swarmed with prospectors and miners.

In 1870, Maxwell sold his ranch to an English land company known as the Maxwell Land Grant and Railroad Company. After several years, the land was again sold to a Dutch-based company who attempted several development schemes, but eventually sold the land in tracts for farms and ranches.

Oklahoma oilman Waite Phillips became interested in developing a ranch out of the old land grant in 1922. He eventually amassed over 300,000 acres of mountains and plains in a ranch he named Philmont (derived from his name and the Spanish word for mountain, "monte").

The Philmont Ranch became a showcase. Immense herds of Hereford cows and Corriedale sheep grazed its pastures. Phillips built a large Spanish Mediterranean summer home for his family at the Headquarters, naming it the Villa Philmonte. He developed horse and hiking trails throughout the scenic backcountry along with elaborate fishing and hunting cabins for his family and friends.

Waite Phillips believed in sharing his wealth with people outside of his family. In this spirit, he offered 35,857 acres of his ranch to the Boy Scouts of America in 1938 to serve as a National wilderness camping area. The reservation was named Philturn Rocky Mountain Scout Camp (after Phillips's name and the BSA slogan, Do a Good Turn Daily). After observing the enthusiastic response of the first Philturn Campers, Phillips augmented his original gift in 1941 with an addition including his best camping land, the Villa Philmonte, and the Headquarters farming and ranching operation. The second gift was made so that many, rather than few, could enjoy his rich and beautiful land. The property, now totaling 127,395 acres, was renamed Philmont Scout Ranch.

Phillips realized that the cost for maintenance and development of the property could not and should not be derived entirely from camper fees. As an endowment he included in the gift his 23-story Philtower Building in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

In 1963, through the generosity of Norton Clapp, vice president of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America, another piece of the Maxwell Land Grant was purchased and added to Philmont. This was the Baldy Mountain mining area consisting of 10,098 acres. The gift of Baldy Mountain brought the total acreage to 137,493.

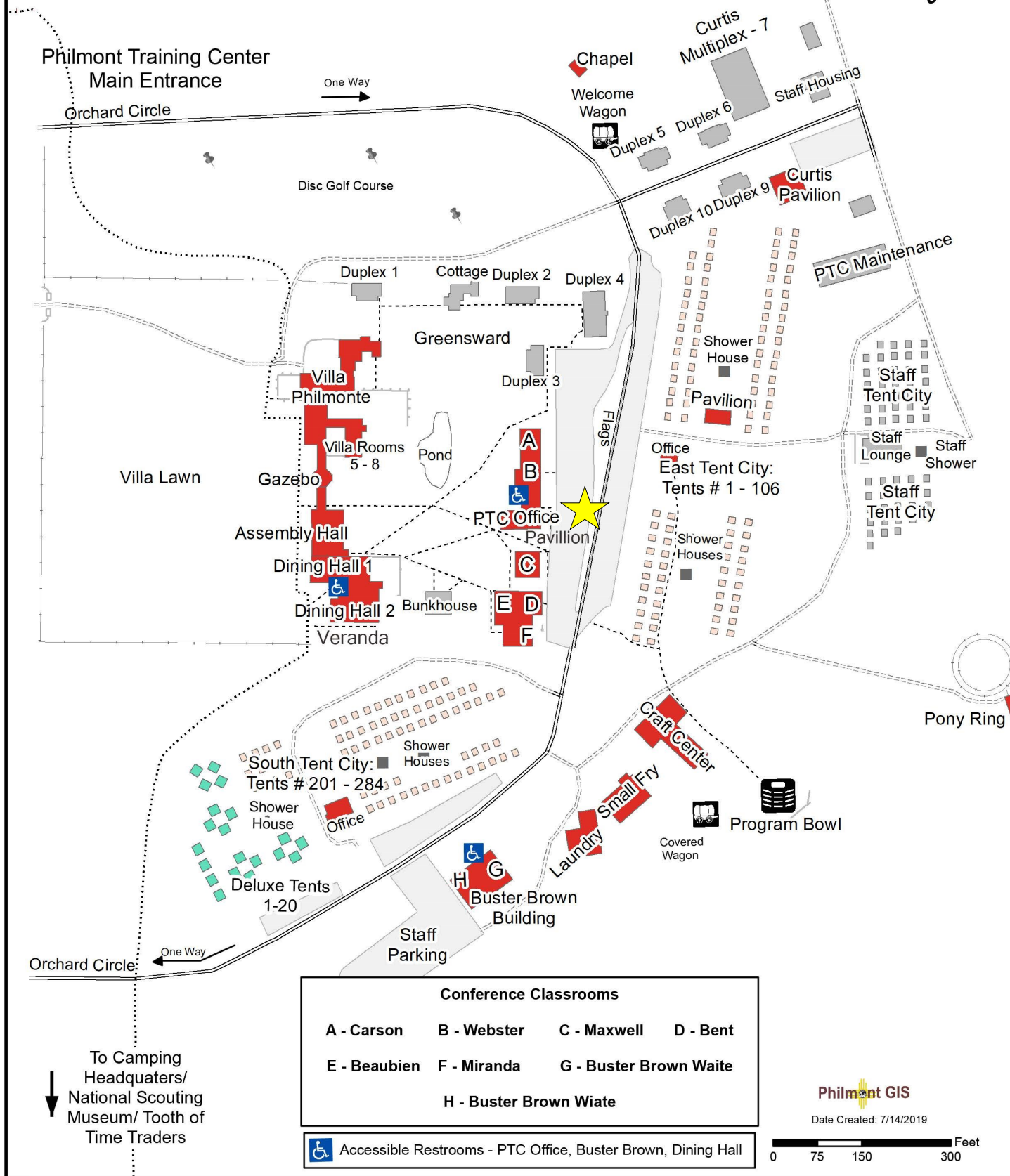
In 2015, The National Council of the Boy Scouts of America acquired the 2,678-acre Cimarroncita Ranch which is located adjacent to Philmont near Ute Park. The property will serve both campers and the Philmont Training Center in the future. Philmont is the largest youth camp in the world now totaling 140,171 acres or approximately 220 square miles.



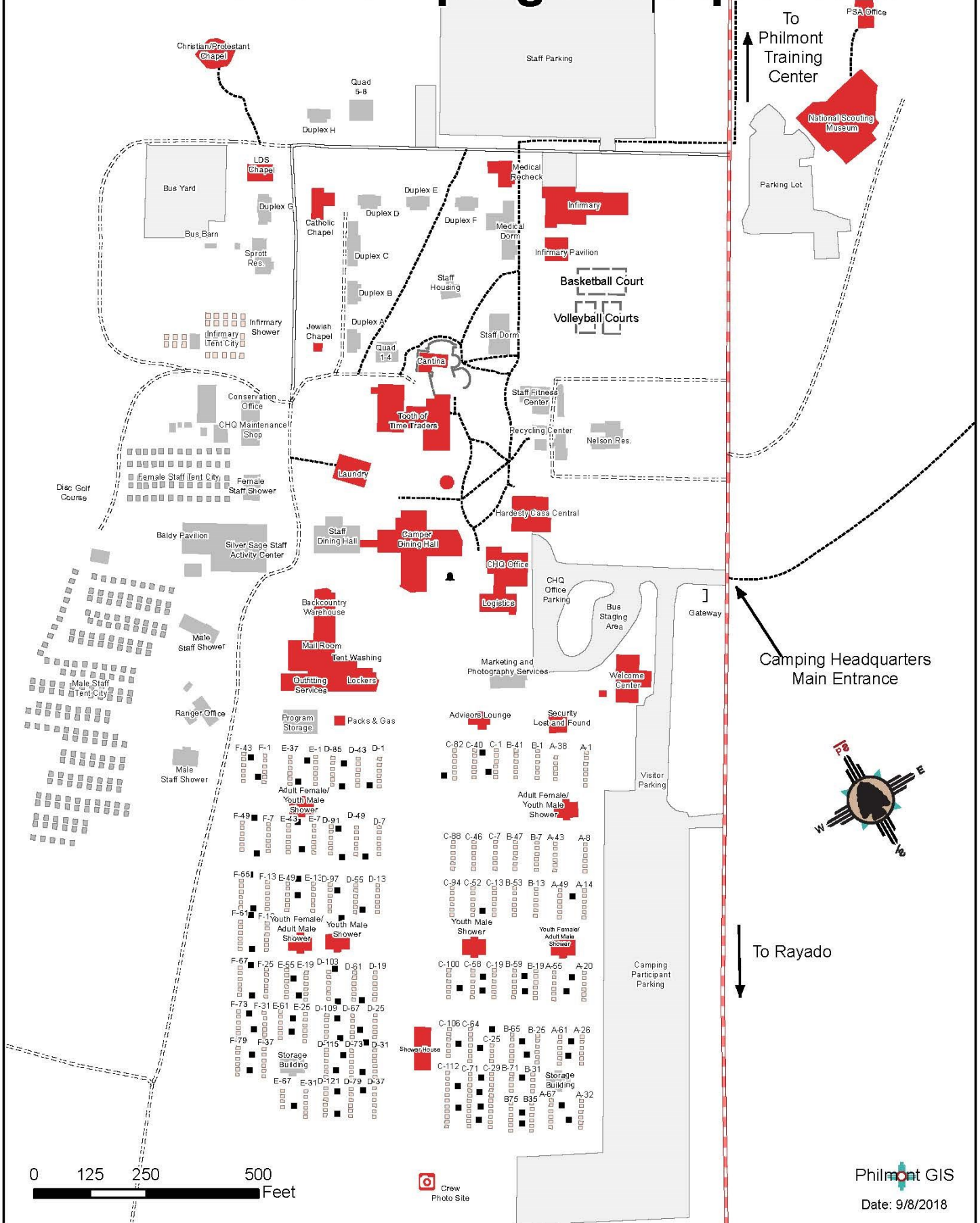
Waite Phillips

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Philmont Camping Headquarters



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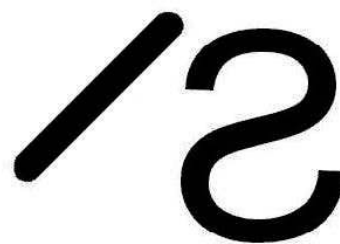


Philmont Grace

For Food,
For Raiment,
For Life,
For Opportunity,
For Friendship
and Fellowship,
We Thank Thee
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