



# Blue Sky Adventures

"The Experts in Philmont Travel!"

## DELUXE PLUS ADVENTURE New Mexico

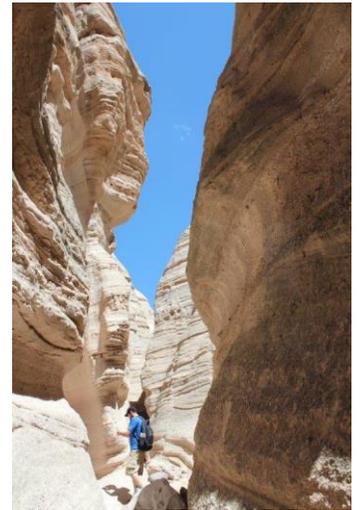
### Day 1

- Arrive by 5 PM to begin your adventure! Pick up at the Albuquerque International Airport and transport to the hotel. Get your custom Blue Sky Adventures Nalgene water bottle!
- Check in at the hotel where there's lots to do (pool, gift shop, computer center, fitness center, ping pong, and basketball).
- If you arrive early enough, grab some lunch on your own at any number of popular restaurants within easy walking distance.
- Spend the afternoon poolside or play board games, ping-pong or basketball with your crew and other Scouts from all over the country--this is some Scout trip!
- Dinner is good food and lots of it! An "all you can eat" buffet.
- Pick up any last-minute items you need for the trail. Lots of options within a 10-minute walk of the hotel.



### Day 2

- Hot, all you can eat breakfast buffet at hotel-waffles, eggs, sausage, bacon, Danish, juice, cereal, fresh fruit and more!
- Early morning rendezvous with your Blue Sky Adventures tour guide at the hotel. Your tour guide will be with you all day to make sure everything is fun and happens as it is supposed to and will bring New Mexico "alive" with stories of local legends, history and culture. Your tour guide is the difference maker on a Blue Sky tour compared to anything you can do yourself!
- Depart hotel and head out to Tent Rocks and experience Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks National Monument located on the Cochiti Pueblo, home of the



Cochiti Indian tribe. You will hike through a slot canyon surrounded by cone shaped volcanic formations that resemble tee pee tents and other spectacular geological formations. The trail climbs over 600 feet to a mesa offering excellent views of the Sangre de Cristo, Jemez and Sandia mountain ranges. This is a real hand on Scout activity! ★★

- Time for a break with snacks and cold drinks for all!
- Lunch at the world-famous Frontier Restaurant just across from the University of New Mexico. Try the green chile cheeseburger or the Frontier Burrito. Be sure to add a Sweet Roll to share with your fellow Scouts. They are delicious!!
- A visit to the National Atomic Museum. Learn about the Manhattan Project and see replicas of the bombs that ended World War II. See the plane that dropped the bomb and climb into the control tower of the first nuclear submarine. This is a cool place for sure!!
- Trip to the top of Sandia Peak; a breath-taking ride on the world's longest aerial cable car to the 11,000-foot mountain peak.
- At the summit of Sandia Peak, we will hike about a mile along the mountain ridge to the "Stone Hut" built in the 1930's by the Civilian Conservation Corps. This is a fantastic hike with unparalleled vistas of the Rio Grande Valley and it provides a great way to quickly acclimate to the effects of higher elevations. What a great way to help get ready for the rigors of your Philmont trek!
- Dinner is good food and lots of it! An "all you can eat" buffet restaurant.
- Return to the hotel in Albuquerque where there's lots to do (pool, gift shop, computer center, fitness center, ping pong, and basketball).
- Spend the evening poolside or play board games, ping-pong or basketball with your crew and other Scouts from all over the country--this is some Scout trip!



### Day 3

- Hot, delicious, all you can eat breakfast buffet at hotel--waffles, eggs, sausage, bacon, Danish, cereal, juice, fresh fruit and more!
- Review your homebound departure day pick up procedures and get your Blue Sky Adventures "give-a-ways and tips" to make your trek even better.
- All aboard the Blue Sky Express! You will be at Philmont by 10:00 AM.



### Departure Day

- Depart Philmont on the 7:30 AM Blue Sky Express. Exact departure time may change based on our transportation schedule. We will confirm exact time once your flight is finalized.
- Arrive Albuquerque International by 11:30 AM. **Departure flight must leave after 1 PM.**



★★Based on availability, which may be impacted by weather conditions, road closure, group visitation limits and other reasons. Substitute venues to be determined by Blue Sky Adventures



## **Old Town - Bonus Sightseeing Opportunity**

- Not ready to go home? Can't get an afternoon flight? Why sit around the airport? For those groups with a flight departing Albuquerque later in the day, we have a terrific way for you to spend the afternoon. We will provide complimentary transportation from the airport to/from Old Town Albuquerque! We will even store your bags!
- Old Town was established in 1706 and it was the heart of the Wild West in its day. See Native American artists at work and walk through the historic Plaza which has been under the rule of 5 different countries over the last 300 years! Poke around in the local stores and historic and cultural sites. This is a real taste of the Southwest!
- We will have you back at the airport Terminal over an hour before your flight but no later than 4 PM. If you want to do anything other than Old Town, we can arrange a private charter for your group at a cost of \$100 per hour. All private charters will need to be booked prior to June 1.
- We can also offer the Old Town option to groups who have flights arriving in Albuquerque before 11:30 AM on their arrival day. For operational reasons related to your arrival day, there is a charge of \$100 for up to 14 passengers and \$200 for groups larger than 14. We will drop you in Old Town by 12 PM and pick you up by 2 PM. If you want to add this option to your tour package, please do so when you book your reservation with us. If necessary, we can add this option closer to the summer but it must be booked no later than June 1.

