



# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

## Troop 673

### HOUSTON, TEXAS

#### **Durango High Adventure: A Trek Through the Rockies**

- This is a five day Trek experience similar to that of Philmont Scout Camp.
- There will be two primary routes and possibly a third route for younger scouts.
  - A difficult route for the older scouts.
  - A moderate route for the mid-range scouts.
  - Camping at Emerald lake with day hikes and fishing for the younger scouts
- Estimated cost: \$1,500.00 (Will strive for \$1,200.00 or less)

#### **Rocky Mountain High Adventure Base**

- A scout camp ran by the Rocky Mountain Council.
- More of a base camp with day and overnight excursions.
- Estimated cost per crew of twelve: \$900.00



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**Durango High Adventure - Chicago Basin Loop Trek (Older Boys with age and skill TBD):**

- This group will take on the more difficult Chicago Basin and cannot exceed 12 people per crew.
- One crew will start at the trail head and will travel via vans that will be parked at the trail head.
- The other crew will start from Durango and go by train to the jump off point.
- Each crew will hike towards each other and trade off train tickets and van keys and exit via the opposite mode of transportation.
- These crews will conduct side excursions to climb several of the fourteener's in the area. There will be opportunity to fish in the streams and they will see a lot of wild life.



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**Durango High Adventure - Trek Hike Around Durango (route TBD)**

- This activity is designed for the 12-13 year old scouts and limited to crew size of 12 people.
- This group will go on a five day trek (route to be determined) with side trips to the summit of some of the peaks in the area. The route will be either a loop (beginning and ending at the same point) or an in and out along the same route.
- There will be opportunities to fish in streams and hike on or cross Continental Divide.



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### **Durango High Adventure – Younger Scouts**

- Trek in five miles to Emerald Lake located outside of Durango, CO.
- Camp five days at Emerald Lake and take day hikes to various areas of interest and fish in the Lakes (two – one large one small) and streams.
- The boys will have a routine and be able to work on some of the activities for rank advancement.



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#### **Durango High Adventure – Logistics**

- Day 1: SWA to Albuquerque, NM – Rent vehicles and drive to Durango. In Durango, meet up with equipment (driven in separately) and split into appropriate crews. Stay in hotel in Durango. File trip plan with local park headquarters in Durango, CO.
- Day 2: Early start for all crews to the field. Vehicles will be parked at trail heads as pre-planned.
- Day 3: Field
- Day 4: Field
- Day 5: Field
- Day 6: Field
- Day 7: All crews should be back in Durango. Accommodations TBD. Meet equipment trailer and shed equipment for return trip to Houston. Scouts and adults to enjoy attractions in Durango, CO (TBD).
- Day 8: Scouts and adults to enjoy attractions in Durango, CO (TBD – white water rafting/site seeing).
- Day 9: Drive back to Albuquerque, NM and fly home. Meet at Scout hut and retrieve equipment.



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#### **Rocky Mountain High Adventure Base**

- Located in the high country of southern Colorado near Poncha Springs, Rocky Mountain High Adventure Base offers white water rafting and backpacking programs in a breathtaking mountain setting.
- You and your crew will participate in a two-day trek into the Rockies with our Mountain Staff, along the Colorado or Rainbow Trail, hiking approximately 15 miles. After receiving training in hiking, packing and low impact camping, your crew will begin their two-day adventure with our guides.
- The Fourteener Challenge – This is for older scouts in top condition. It will be a one or two day trip.
- Mountain Biking – a day trip designed at the skill level of the crew.
- Continental Divide Day Hike – a day trip to the Continental Divide.
- Mountain Lake Fishing Trips
- Rappelling and Rock Climbing – This activity would replace the Fourteener Challenge.



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#### Rocky Mountain High Adventure Base



- Day 1: Continental to Colorado Springs, CO – Rent vehicles and drive to Scout Camp.
- Day 2: Scout Camp
- Day 3: Scout Camp
- Day 4: Scout Camp
- Day 5: Scout Camp
- Day 6: Scout Camp
- Day 7: Scout Camp
- Day 8: Drive back to Colorado Springs and fly home.