



Medicine Mountain Scout Ranch
24201 Bobcat Road
Custer, South Dakota 57730

Expedition: Black Hills

Option B2 - 3 Day Program

Destinations Include:

- Spearfish Canyon Roughlock Falls
- DC Booth Historic Fish Hatchery
- Custer State Park Wildlife Loop
- Alpine Inn
- Rushmore Tramway Adventures
- Rush Mountain Adventure Park
- Rushmore Cave

If after reading this overview, you have any questions, please contact our friendly team at 605-342-2824 or send an email to reservations@blackhillsbsa.org.

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Key Info:

Option Number	B2
Tour Length	Monday - Wednesday or Wednesday - Friday (3 days)
Cost Per Person	\$410.00 (estimated - Call for exact pricing)

Day 1	
6:45AM	Breakfast in Campsite
8:00AM	Depart Camp
10:00AM	Spearfish Canyon Rouchlock Falls
12:00PM	Sack Lunch at Spearfish Park
1:00PM	DC Booth Historic Fish Hatchery
5:00PM	Dinner at Alpine Inn
7:00PM - 9:00PM	Open Program at Camp
Day 2	
6:45AM	Breakfast in Campsite
8:00AM	Depart Camp
9:00AM	Custer State Park Wildlife Loop
12:00PM	Sack Lunch at Game Lodge
1:30PM	Needles Highway Loop
5:30PM	Dinner in Campsite
7:00PM - 9:00PM	Open Program at Camp
DAY 3	
6:45AM	Breakfast in Campsite
8:00AM	Depart Camp
9:00AM	Rushmore Tramway Adventures
12:00PM	Sack Lunch at Rushmore Tramway Adventures
1:00PM	Rush Mountain Adv. Park & Rushmore Cave
5:30PM	Dinner in Campsite

The Other 2 Days

For the other 2 days of your trip, your unit will be participating in camp programming. Camp programming includes merit badges, first year camper programs, and high adventure programs.

Destinations in this Option

Spearfish Roughlock Falls

A stunning highlight of Spearfish Canyon is Roughlock Falls, widely considered one of the most beautiful locations in the Black Hills. The scenery is so beautiful that cinematographers for the motion picture "Dances with Wolves" decided to shoot its final scenes here.

The name Roughlock Falls originates from difficulties early settlers encountered while traveling through Spearfish Canyon. Wagon drivers would "roughlock" the wheels of their wagons with logs or chains to keep them in place and slide down the slope.

DC Booth Historic Fish Hatchery

Constructed in 1899 as the region's first fish management center, the DC Booth Historic Fish Hatchery was responsible not only for introducing trout to the Black Hills, but for being the first to control the fish population in Yellowstone National Park.

Custer State Park Wildlife Loop

Wildlife Loop Road travels through 18 miles of open grasslands and pine-speckled hills that much of the park's wildlife calls home. Depending on the day, you might see bison, pronghorn, whitetail and mule deer, elk, coyotes, burros, prairie dogs, eagles, hawks, and a variety of other birds. A medley of colorful wildflowers and prairie grasses surround the road, making for a picturesque drive.

The Alpine Inn

Located on Main Street in Hill City at the historic Harney Peak Hotel. Featuring special dinner menu with European charm. Evening menu offers fine filet mignon steaks, homemade pastries, and fine desserts.

Rushmore Tramway Adventures

The chairlift carries guests smoothly back to street level, or the alpine slide offers a rush of excitement for your return. The Alpine Slide consists of two tracks, each 2000 feet in length, which you descend at your own pace in a wheeled sled that is equipped with a brake. Test your grit and take a speedy slide down, or meander down in a slow and easy fashion - it's up to you!

Get a harness on, pump your courage up, and fly down the breathtaking 800-ft. Zipline. Then test your nerve stepping off into mid-air on the adjacent 60-ft. Free-Fall Jump Tower.

Rush Mountain Adventure Park & Rushmore Cave

Find a great adventure at the Black Hills' premier destination for family fun. Ride the rails and carve the turns on the Rushmore Mountain Coaster, discover the sensation of flying over treetops on the Soaring Eagle Zipline Ride, and test your shooting skills at the Gunslinger 7-D Interactive Ride. If you love adventure and family fun, Rush Mountain Adventure Park is the attraction in Keystone, South Dakota that you really can't miss!

Overview

In 2015, the Medicine Mountain Scout Ranch & Adventure Base piloted our first Expedition: Black Hills program with Troop 110 from Kentucky and it was a great success and provided their unit with a once and a lifetime experience in the Black Hills.

In 2016, Medicine Mountain hosted several units that toured the Black Hills through our Expedition: Black Hills program. Our local team of experts will plan out a week long (Monday – Friday) adventure for your unit where you visit the sights and sounds on the Black Hills. This program is entirely customized to your unit

Alternatively, our team can also mix and match our camp program with the Expedition: Black Hills program. This allows units to get a tradition summer camp experience in addition to touring the Black Hills. Typically we see units participate in camp programming Monday through Tuesday and tour Wednesday through Friday.

The bottom line is that we can custom craft a week for your unit based upon what they want to accomplish on their trip to the beautiful Black Hills of South Dakota.

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What's Included?

Since this program is customized, our team will produce a free custom itinerary based upon what your unit is interested in with a quote. The quote will include:

- 17 Meals
- 6 Nights at Medicine Mountain
- A Personal Tour Guide
- Admission to all Attractions & Locations
- Insurance
- Trip Planning Support
- Camp Patch

What Can We Do?

The options are limitless on what your unit can do! Since everything is custom planned, we have a high level of flexibility. Here is a sample list of the most popular places to see in the Black Hills.

- Mammoth Site
- Wind Cave
- Evan's Plunge
- Crazy Horse Memorial
- Crazy Horse Memorial Laser Light Show
- Minuteman Missile Silo & Historical Site
- Harney/Black Elk Peak
- Mount Rushmore
- Mount Rushmore Evening Lighting
- South Dakota Air & Space Museum
- Sylvan Lake
- Devil's Tower
- Custer State Park
- 1880's Train
- Keystone, SD
- Bear Country USA
- Watiki Indoor Waterpark
- Bear Mountain Fire Outlook Tower
- Downtown Rapid City
- Custer, SD
- Reptile Gardens
- The Journey Museum
- Spearfish Canyon
- DC Booth Fish Hatchery
- Badlands National Park
- Deadwood, SD
- Cosmos Mystery Area
- Founding Fathers

Getting to Camp

The Expedition: Black Hills program is based out of the Medicine Mountain Scout Ranch & Adventure Base located at:

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It is the responsibility of the unit to arrange their travel to and from Medicine Mountain. At this time, our team does not arrange or serve as a booking agent for travel to and from Medicine Mountain. However, we have some general tips and knowledge to pass along from our personal experience with traveling to South Dakota.

- It can be expensive to fly into Rapid City, SD (RAP). It is the closest commercial airport to Medicine Mountain being one hour away.
- Budget airlines such as Allegiant fly into the Sioux Falls Regional Airport and could provide cheaper travel from various destinations.
- Most units opt to fly into the Denver International Airport, which is six hours away from Medicine Mountain. Transportation can be provided by our transportation group for an additional fee, however it may be cheaper to rent vehicles depending on the amount of people.
- For an additional fee, we also offer shuttles from the following locations: Rapid City Regional Airport (SD), Sioux Falls Regional Airport (SD), Gillette County Airport (WY), Pierre Regional Airport (SD), Fort Morgan Amtrak Station (CO), Williston Amtrak Station (ND), and Denver Amtrak Station (CO).
- Medicine Mountain does have ample room for the parking of off loading of large commercial coach buses. A number of troops choose to use this method to get to and from Medicine Mountain.
- Our team can arrange for special hotel rates for the drivers of commercial coach buses if your unit is looking for the bus to remain in the Black Hills for the week.

Booking Steps

1. Call our team at 605-342-2824 or send an email to reservations@blackhillsbsa.org to let us know that your unit is interested in this program.
2. Let our team know what itinerary number your unit is considering. Your unit can change the itinerary if they are looking to swap out different attractions or change up the days. Please note that the estimated price per person could change.
3. After finalizing the itinerary and price per person, an online reservation will be created and prices will be adjusted to match your approved itinerary. **A deposit is due within 10 days of your reservation being created.** The deposit is \$10 per youth and \$5 per adult.
4. The Expedition: Black Hills program is applicable to all policies listed in the Administration Section of our Leader's Guide. That guide can be obtained at www.mountain.blackhillsbsa.org under "Summer Camp."
5. The unit and/or individuals will be able to log into the reservation online to make payment and to input participant information.
6. Once paid in full, you are ready for your Expedition in the wonderful Black Hills of South Dakota.