

# Girls High Adventure Scout Trip

## Colorado Rockies Backcountry Hut-to-Hut



Sunday, July 31-  
Monday, August 8,  
2022



IF YOU ARE 12+ AND LOVE...

- Hiking in the Rocky Mountains
- Having your daily choice of a challenge or a more restful day
- Cooking and eating dinners with your friends
- Camping without pitching a tent
- Zip-lining
- And other fun mountain activities...

... THEN THIS TRIP IS FOR YOU!!!

The trip offers adventure at high altitude in the footsteps of the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Alpine Army Division and provides a unique opportunity for shelter at 10,000 feet+ in the heart of the Colorado Rockies.

- This trip will sell out with a maximum of 16 people, including adults.
- \$500 / person deposit due by October 29, 2021 to hold your spot.
- Contact Linda Maclachlan: (312) 804-9879 or [linda@maclachlanfamily.com](mailto:linda@maclachlanfamily.com)

Approx. \$1,700 All Inclusive\*

- Airfare non-stop to Aspen & Ground Transportation
- Food
- Day Activities and Lodging on July 31 and Aug 7
- 6 Nights 10th Mtn Huts  
See [www.huts.org](http://www.huts.org) for more information on the Harry Gates, Peter Estin, and Polar Star Huts

*\* Actual cost will be determined by 10/20/21*

## About the Trip

The objective of our trip is to offer a relatively inexpensive High Adventure Scout Trip that will challenge our girls one step beyond Deschutes while offering multiple activities

Typically, backcountry hiking and camping means that you are carrying your tent, food, and cooking gear on your back in addition to all of your personal gear, all while climbing uphill at altitude!

This trip is centered around the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division base camp and alpine huts. The 10th Mountain is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization that manages a system of 34 backcountry huts in the Colorado Rocky Mountains. The name honors the men of 10th Mountain Division of the U.S. Army, who trained during World War II at Camp Hale in central Colorado.

Thanks to Mr. Roney's inside knowledge, we have secured 6 nights of hard-to-come-by reservations within some of the most ideal 10th Mountain-owned huts: 2 nights at each of the following huts: Harry Gates, Peter Estin, and Polar Star. (See [www.huts.org](http://www.huts.org))

Additionally, we will have vans to transport much of our gear and food for us, making our longer hikes during each day much more fun, as we will just need to carry a daypack. The vans can usually park less than a mile from the huts, and we will work as a group to carry what we need from the van back to our hut each day.

Each hut is stocked with:

- Wood burning stoves for heating and cooking
- Firewood and starter paper
- Matches
- Propane burners for cooking
- Photovoltaic lighting
- Cooking and eating utensils
- Toilet Paper
- Mattresses
- Pillows
- Decks

Hut users just need to bring a sleeping bag and personal gear, along with emergency gear. Hut users typically melt snow for water in the winter and collect water from streams in the summer, and we should have plenty of water in early August. We will be responsible for our own drinking water purification.

As we hike from hut to hut, there are many fun mountain activities we can incorporate! We can ride horses, explore caves, and climb a mountain peak. We will plan the specific itinerary together with the participants once we know who is going.

We will start and end the trip with a fun day activity (ziplining, mountain coaster, etc.) and a good night's sleep in a hotel/lodge. The first night we will stay in Aspen, and the last night we will stay in Glenwood Springs, where we can soak in a natural mineral hot springs pool before heading home the next morning.

**\$500 deposit will hold your spot! Email Linda at [linda@maclachlanfamily.com](mailto:linda@maclachlanfamily.com)**