

# Welcome to Colorado Trails Ranch

## A Peek at A Week on Our Dude Ranch

**PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A SAMPLE SCHEDULE.**

### Sunday

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Get settled in, swim, hike and relax!

6:30 pm Dinner is in the dining room, followed by an Ice Cream Social in the Soda Fountain.

7:30 pm Guest introductions and orientation will be outside the Trading Post or in the Opera House depending on the weather.

*Please let us know if you want to go to the Melodrama on Wednesday evening so we can order tickets for you. There is an information sheet in your guest book regarding the Melodrama.*

### Monday

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6:45 am We'll have coffee ready. Come pick up a cup, sit on the porch and watch the staff "jingle in" the horses.

8-9:00 am Breakfast is in the dining room. Feel free to come to breakfast any time between 8 and 9 o'clock.

9:00 am Buckaroos and Rough Riders please meet your counselors in front of the Trading Post for your riding and fishing orientation. Both groups should be finished around noon, and can be found in the Ruckus Room.

9:30 am Adults' and teens' horseback riding orientation in the arena. Please meet on the bleachers by the arena. Follow Cardiac Trail behind the lodge or you can take the driveway down to the arena.

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- 12:30 pm Lunch is in the dining room. Please come around to the south side of the dining room (nearest Cabin Road) to get your hamburger, hot dog or veggie burger off the grill before you go inside to eat.
- 2:00 pm This afternoon you have the option of horseback riding or a fly-fishing clinic (of course, you can also relax). Wranglers and fishing guides will talk with you at lunch about the afternoon's options.
- The Buckaroos, Rough Riders and Teens should meet their counselors at the Trading Post for riding and activities. They will be finished and in the Ruckus Room at 4:30 – 5:00.
- 6:00 pm Hayride to the dinner cookout. Meet the hay wagon in front of the office. If you would rather walk, the trail begins behind the office. Be sure to bring a jacket – it may get chilly.
- Dinner cookout will be followed by a hayride for the kids and cowboy singer, Greg Ryder, will entertain the adults.

*There are sign-up sheets in the office for the massage therapist on Tuesday afternoon, Tuesday's half-day hike, trap shooting on Tuesday and Thursday and Thursday's Mesa Verde trip.*

*Let us know if you want to set up a photo shoot with a professional photographer on Friday.*

## Tuesday

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- 7:15 am Coffee and juices are available in the dining room.
- 8:00 am Pancake breakfast cookout – wander out to the cookout area for breakfast (cookout trail begins behind the office).
- Fishermen have the option to take an all day trip to the San Juan River. This trip is an additional charge of \$150 per person (\$125 each if two or more), which covers lunch, New Mexico fishing license, transportation, and guide. Be sure and talk with your fishing guides regarding this trip (we must have at least two guests participate).
- 9:00 am Half day hikers leave from in front of the Trading Post. Those of you who are not hiking have the option to ride or fly-fish.
- Buckaroos, Rough Riders, and Teens meet your counselors at the Trading Post for a morning ride and activities.

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12:30 pm Lunch is in the dining room.

This afternoon you have the option to receive a massage from a professional massage therapist. The cost for a massage is \$80 for a one hour session (this is paid directly to the therapist). The massages are in the parlor, below the dining room. Please sign up in the office on Monday if you would like a massage.

2:00 pm Your choices for this afternoon include horseback riding, fly-fishing, trap shooting or relaxing. Wranglers and fishing guides will walk around at lunch to talk with you about your options.

If you would like to trap shoot, please sign up in the office in advance and meet the van in front of the office. We provide 12 and 20 gauge shotguns and you can purchase the ammo from your guide.

Buckaroos, Rough Riders and Teens meet their counselor at the Trading Post for an afternoon of riding and activities.

6:30 pm Dinner tonight is in the dining room.

8:00 pm Please join the staff in the Opera House for square dancing for all ages!

## Wednesday

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6:45 am We'll have coffee ready. Come pick up a cup, sit on the porch and watch the staff "jingle in" the horses.

7:30–8:30 Breakfast is in the dining room. Feel free to come to breakfast any time between 7:30 and 8:30. Rafters will need to be sure to eat breakfast before 7:45 to leave for rafting.

7:45 am Time for adults and kids to go whitewater rafting down the Animas River with professional guides! We will provide the towels and transportation; please meet the vans in front of the office. Timing is critical so please be on time.

Rafters should plan on wearing their bathing suit, plenty of sunscreen and shoes that are secure (not flip-flops). If you don't have secure shoes, you can rent them for about \$7.00. You can rent splash jackets and other gear. See your guest book for more details. You may also want money to purchase a picture of yourself rafting (photo CDs and printed photos are between \$20 and \$40).

9:15 am If you choose not to raft, you also have the option of horseback riding or fly-fishing this

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morning. All of the kids and counselors are going rafting.

12:30 pm Lunch is in the dining room.  
If you are planning on going to Mesa Verde, please sign up in the office.

2:00 pm This afternoon you can choose horseback riding or fly-fishing. Don't forget that you can always choose to relax on your own or participate in your kids' activities.

The Buckaroos, Rough Riders and Teens should all meet at the Trading Post for this afternoon's rides and activities. All of the kids will be in the Ruckus Room between 4:30 and 5 o'clock when you are finished with your activities.

6:00 pm Dinner is early tonight because of the Melodrama.

6:45 pm Tonight you have the option of attending the Victorian Melodrama in town. Please meet in the driveway in front of the office – CTR has acquired tickets (additional charge), and will provide transportation and guides.

## Thursday

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6:45 am We'll have coffee ready. Come pick up a cup, sit on the porch and watch the staff "jingle in" the horses.

8-9:00 am Breakfast is in the dining room. Feel free to come to breakfast any time between 8 and 9 o'clock. For those going to Mesa Verde with Jeanne, breakfast is at 7:45.

8:00 am Jeanne guides an all-day trip to Mesa Verde National Park (this is an additional charge of \$35). If you choose to go on this trip but your kids do not want to go, the counselors will take care of them until you return (please discuss timing with Jeanne or the counselors). Please sign up by Wednesday at lunch for this trip.

9:00 am The adults have an opportunity to join in some team penning and steer soccer. There is an additional charge of \$20. There are also the options of fishing, riding or relaxing. Rough Riders and Teens meet their counselors at the Trading Post for rides and activities. Buckaroos meet their counselors at the Trading Post for their morning's ride and activity.

12:30 pm Lunch is in the dining room.

1:30 pm Rough Riders and Teens meet your counselor at the Trading Post to spend the afternoon power tubing at Vallecito Lake. Everyone in the kids' program will be finished before 5:00, so parents please come pick up your children (the counselors need to get

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ready for tonight's cookouts and campouts).

2:00 pm This afternoon you have the option of trail riding, fly-fishing or trap shooting (please sign up in the office if you wish to trap shoot). Trap shooters please meet the van in front of the office. We provide 12 and 20 gauge shotguns and you can purchase the ammo from your guide.

Buckaroos meet your counselor in front of the Trading Post for the afternoon's rides and activities.

6:00 pm Adults' cocktail party with complimentary beer, wine and soda begins on the porch of the lodge.

Buckaroos meet their counselor at the Trading Post for cookout and games (Buckaroos will be back at the Trading Post at 9 pm, unless they are brave enough to try spending the night out). Rough Riders and Teens meet their counselors at the Trading Post for a campout (they will be back before breakfast Friday morning).

7:00 pm Adults' candlelight dinner is in the dining room.

## Friday

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6:45 am We'll have coffee ready. Come pick up a cup, sit on the porch and watch the staff "jingle in" the horses.

8-9:00 am Breakfast is in the dining room. Feel free to come to breakfast any time between 8 and 9 o'clock.

9:00 am Option of an all day horseback ride, half day horseback ride, or fly fishing. Guests also have the option of a half-day chuck wagon cookout ride. This ride is offered both in the morning and in the afternoon, where both groups eat lunch together.

Buckaroos, Rough Riders, and Teens meet counselors at the Trading Post to rest up from Thursday night's campout and get ready to go on an "All Day" ride. Parents please help your kids pack a lunch at breakfast.

12:30 pm Lunch is in the dining room for those guests who are not participating in the all day ride or chuck wagon cookout.

2:00 pm Option of riding or fly fishing.

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When everyone returns from their rides, how about a dip in the pool or a trip to the soda fountain. We can arrange for a professional photographer to do a family photo shoot around 5:00 for \$50. Then you can order your pictures online directly from the photographer.

6:30 pm Dinner is in the dining room tonight.

8:00 pm Tonight you can take it easy and just relax!!

## Saturday

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7:15 am Coffee, juice and fruit are in the dining room to tide you over until the breakfast ride.

8:00 am Family Breakfast Ride morning! This morning everyone meets at the barn to ride their horses out to the cookout area (as families) for breakfast.\* After breakfast everyone has the option of taking family rides.

\*Those not riding may meet at the office at 8:15 for a truck ride to breakfast.

12:30 pm Lunch is in the dining room.

2:15 pm Its Corral Capers time for Everyone! Buckaroos, Rough Riders and Teens are playing arena games on horseback this afternoon. There is also an adult division, so come participate and/or watch your kids.

Adults also have the option to trail ride if they choose not to participate in Arena Games.

6:15pm Buckaroos, Rough Riders, Teens and Adults meet in front of the office for a hay wagon ride to the farewell dinner at the cookout area featuring beef tenderloin and grilled vegetables. Bring a jacket, it may get chilly.

7:30 pm Awards presentation and goodbyes from the CTR staff.

Guests may settle up their account after dinner or Sunday morning. Please make sure we have your departure time if we are providing transportation on Sunday.

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## Sunday

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6:45 am Coffee will be ready!

8-9:00 am Breakfast is in the dining room. Feel free to come to breakfast any time between 8 and 9 o'clock.

9:00 am Checkout and Happy Trails.  
We would sincerely appreciate your assistance in checking out of your cabins no later than 9:30.

**Thank you so much for spending your week's vacation with us!**

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