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WELCOME TO SKY RANCH FAMILY CAMP!

Dear Horn Creek Family,

Thank you for the awesome privilege of hosting your family at Sky Ranch Horn Creek this summer! Our desire is to provide a vacation full of incredible activities and family connection time. We have prepared an environment that offers a laid-back atmosphere, allowing you the flexibility necessary for your family to have the best experience possible. Our Family Camp team is ready to serve your family while you make memories we hope will last a lifetime.

To help you prepare for Family Camp, this booklet contains up-to-date information, packing lists, and other materials to help ensure you have a safe, fun-filled, enriching adventure this summer. We encourage you to read over this information carefully, and please do not hesitate to contact our Guest Services Specialists at 800.962.2267 with any questions you may have.

Prior to your arrival, you will receive a "Family Camp Travel Package" to help make the traveling fun. We hope you enjoy it and have a safe and memorable trip to Sky Ranch Horn Creek.

With locations in Texas, Colorado (Horn Creek and Ute Trail), and Oklahoma, our desire to serve with excellence extends to all aspects of our ministry. We look forward to welcoming your precious family to Sky Ranch Horn Creek very soon!

In His Grip,

Linda

Linda S. Paulk President and CEO of Sky Ranch Christian Camps

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GETTING READY FOR CAMP

PACKING LIST

WHAT TO BRING

MISCELLANEOUS

TOILETRIES*

Toothpaste

- Soap
- Shampoo
- Hair dryer
- Personal first aid kit
- Other personal items & toiletries
- Allergy medication
- Headache/fever/pain meds
- Prescription medications

CLOTHING

- Shorts
- Sweatpants
- 🗌 PJ's
- 🗌 Hat
- Jeans
- Rain jacket
- Swimsuit
- Tennis shoes or walking shoes (close-toed shoes required)
- Water shoes
- Light jacket/fleece
 - Attire for Talent Show ,Western Dance, and Family Road Trip Carnival
- Bible Flashlight Camera Journal Backpack or tote bag Fly fishing gear Bug spray Sunglasses Sun block ☐ Lip balm WHAT NOT TO BRING **Tobacco** products Fireworks Illegal drugs Archery equipment Paintball guns or gear Skateboards Skeet shooting gear Climbing gear
- Scooters
- Weapons
- Pets
-] Personal sports equipment

FAMILY CAMP 2019 DATES AT HORN CREEK

June 16 - June 22
June 23 - June 29
June 30 - July 6
July 7 - July 13
July 14 - July 20
July 21 - July 27
July 28 - August 3
August 4 - August 10

* Sky Ranch provides linens, pillows, wash cloths and bath towels. The Trading Post and Peaks Treats have a variety of sundries and snacks for purchase.

Sky Ranch cannot be responsible for lost or broken articles. Please do not bring anything that would break easily or cause loss if misplaced.

DIRECTIONS

You will find maps for Sky Ranch Horn Creek by going to www.SkyRanch.org and clicking on locations in the main menu. Horn Creek is off of Highway 69. There are signs that will help guide you to camp. Turn onto CR 140, then turn left onto Macey Ln (CR 129). Turn right on CR 130 and follow this all the way to camp. We do not recommend turning off of Highway 69 onto CR 130 because this section of road is not paved. If you are flying into Colorado, we recommend arriving at Colorado Springs Airport, which is 2 hours away.

CLIMATE AND WEATHER









WEATHER – We enjoy over 300 days of sunshine every year and a cool, dry climate. Summer highs are typically in the 70s or low 80s. Lows in are in the 40s or even 30s. Temperatures at higher elevations are usually lower than in town. A warm jacket and/or sweater will be necessary for your visit during the summer.

Thunderstorms are typical daily occurrences during the summer, especially in July and August. Locally, we refer to this as the "monsoon" or rainy season. Stay off of ridges and away from open ground to avoid lightning strikes. Longer hikes are best started early in the morning so you can be down off the mountain when the lightning starts.

OUTDOORS – It is essential to wear eye protection, a hat, and sunscreen when outdoors. The sun is much more intense here than in areas of lower altitude. Insects and mosquitoes love Westcliffe as much as people, especially in summer. Be sure to pack insect repellant and use it frequently when you plan on being outdoors. While the waters are beautiful, we do not recommend drinking from the rivers, lakes, or streams.

ALTITUDE – Gains in altitude can affect anyone, especially when traveling above 7,000 feet. Sometimes, the effects can include: headaches, breathlessness, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, inability to sleep, or swelling of the hands, face, or feet. Some ways to reduce your symptoms: avoid strenuous activity for the first day or two of your visit, and start drinking extra water the week before you attend. Check with your doctor before going to high altitude if you have a heart or lung condition.

HORN CREEK RANCH BANK - PLANNING AHEAD!

The Trading Post and Peaks Treats are two places on camp where you can purchase awesome souvenirs and delicious snacks for your family. While these shops make the Sky Ranch experience better, we also know it can be a hassle to carry cash at camp. To simplify things, you can add funds to your Family Ranch Bank ahead of time! Since all guests are required to wear wristbands while at camp, we can link your credit card to each family member's wristband to make purchases at the store. There are a few options on customizing your account:

- 1. If you would like to add funds to your child's wristband, we will allocate the amount you desire. The wristband will be marked which lets our staff know that camper has funds to spend on their account. Once they have spent the amount allotted, you may add more funds at any time.
- 2. If you would prefer your camper only make purchases when they are with an adult, their wristband will not be marked. If they attempt to make a purchase our staff will kindly let them know they need an adult with them to assist in making purchases.
- 3. If you have kids over the age of 18 you would like to give a specific amount to spend, contact Guest Services and we will set that up for you. We will mark their wristbands as a guest who has funds on their account and the process will be the same for children, once the funds are spent, you will have to approve adding more.

At the end of the week, we will run a payment against your credit card on file for the purchases your family has made during the week. Of course, you don't have to use the wristband and you are welcome to pay by cash or credit card. We provide the option for your convenience.

Please contact Guest Services at GuestServices@SkyRanch.org, or give us a call at 800.962.2267, and let us know how you would like to set up your family members' accounts. We are happy to answer any questions you have, set up your spending accounts, and confirm a current credit card to process the charges. We hope this will be a useful and beneficial feature that makes your time at camp hassle-free.

DURING CAMP WEEK

Sunday - Arrival Day

4:30 pm	Check-In
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 pm	Round Up - More details on page 12
8:00 pm	Hanging Log
9:00 pm	Free Time

A Day at Camp

8:30 am	Breakfast
9:15 am	Family Devotions
9:30 am	Round Up - more details on page 12
11:00 am	Free Time Wednesday is our off-camp adventure day! You may want to plan ahead! We have a few ideas on page 9
12:30 pm	Lunch
1:30-5:30 pm	Afternoon Activities
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 pm	Night Events - more details on page 8
9:00 pm	Free Time



THINGS TO DO AT CAMP

All activities are optional. You are free to leave camp whenever you would like or need to. Maintaining a safe and fun environment is our top priority, please do not play on or enter any activity sites unless staff is present.

REC CENTER (Bowling, climbing wall, and wally ball)

DISC GOLF

TRAIL RIDES

ALPINE SWING

ZIPLINES

PEAK VIEW TARGET RANGE

POOL AND WATERSLIDES

FAMILY CHALLENGES

FISHING

CRAFTS

YEAR ROUND TUBING HILL

Most activities are for all ages; however, some have restrictions:

TRAIL RIDES- Kids must be 8 years old to go on a trail ride. We will have pony rides and games for younger kids to enjoy the horses. Weight maximum: 250 lbs.

ZIPLINE- Participants must weight between 50-250 lbs.







NIGHT EVENTS

FAMILY ROAD TRIP – Come dressed in your most outrageous tourist outfit or represent your favorite destination, and get ready for a night of fun carnival games and treats!

WESTERN NIGHT – Starting with dinner and ending with western dancing – bring your cowboy boots and duds!

OFF CAMP ADVENTURE DAY – On Wednesday, we encourage our families to adventure off camp together.

TALENT NIGHT – Talent Night is your chance to be a star! Singing, dancing, skits – get creative and have fun!

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT – Drop your kids off with our awesome counselors and enjoy a night in town with your spouse or other Family Camp adults.

FAMILY BLESSING NIGHT – Friday night is a very special evening to end an extraordinary week. We will join together for a time of worship and Family Blessing. This night concludes with a campfire and special time of sharing what God has done.







OFF-CAMP ADVENTURE DAY

Wednesday, your family will have the opportunity to spend the day off-camp together. There are many things to do in and around the area. We've listed a few below. You will receive a comprehensive list upon arrival at camp. Visit wp.townofwestcliffe.com for more info.

WHITEWATER RAFTING – If your family is up for some whitewater adventure, then think about signing up for a trip on the Arkansas River. Weight requirement is dependent on river levels. Pricing: \$70.00 for adults, \$57.00 for children. We can help you make reservations when you arrive.

ROYAL GORGE – Visit the world's highest suspension bridge that spans a quarter mile across this canyon. Enjoy amazing panoramic views from almost 1000 ft above the river. A little over an hour from camp, the park opens at 7 am with attractions opening at 10 am. Cost is \$27 for adults and \$22 for children (6-12).

MOUNT PRINCETON HOT SPRINGS – Take a relaxing dip in these natural hot springs set in the beautiful mountains. Just south of Buena Vista, treat yourself in these wonderful waters. The hot springs are an hour and a half away from camp. The hours are 9 am-10 pm and cost is \$20 for adults and \$15 for children (4-15).

CAVE OF THE WINDS – (We suggest making a reservation) Step inside the caves of the Rockies and experience the coolness of underground. With a variety of tour options and adventure rides available, you're sure to be wowed. A two-hour drive from camp, tours start at 9 am. The cost is \$22 for adults and \$16 for children (6-12). Visit caveofthewinds.com to book your tour.







AREA RESTAURANTS

Thursday evening is Parents' Night Out! These are a few of our favorite restaurants in Westcliffe & Silver Cliff, CO. You will receive a comprehensive list upon arrival at camp. *Please note: Days & Hours of Operation of local restaurants and businesses vary during summer months; please contact to confirm hours of operation*.

ALPINE LODGE | 6848 CO RD 140, WESTCLIFFE - We recommend making a reservation: 719.783.2660

Peaceful atmosphere and good food in the beautiful Sangre de Cristo mountains! Excellent dinner restaurant and lounge offering steaks, seafood, pasta, sandwiches, homemade soup, and pies.

SUGAR & SPICE BAKERY 411 MAIN ST WESTCLIFFE - This bakery is a great place to stop by and pick up homemade brown butter iced cookies, try one of their enormous cinnamon rolls, enjoy a pumpkin chocolate chip muffin, or try all three!

CHAPPY'S BAR & GRILL 213 MAIN ST, WESTCLIFFE - Tasty local-beef burgers and hand-cut fries in a casual setting. Try the Rancher Burger topped with a fried egg, or the Western Burger with thick cut bacon and cheddar cheese. A favorite hangout among locals and visitors alike!

WHITE BIRD EMPORIUM 202 MAIN ST, WESTCLIFFE - The cute and nostalgic feel of this soda fountain makes the ice cream taste even better! We suggest the "ice cream sodas" or "cherry limeades." This is the best place for a hot or cold coffee to drink too!







EMERGENCY MEDICAL PROCEDURES

In the event of a medical emergency, guests should immediately call for emergency medical services. Please do not wait for a staff member. Call first, then inform the staff. If medical care is needed for instances other than an emergency, guests should arrange for their own transportation to Custer County Medical Center.

IF THERE IS A MEDICAL EMERGENCY:

Dial 911 on your cell phone or by using the phone outside of the Rec Center. Tell the dispatcher that you are at Sky Ranch Horn Creek. You should meet the ambulance in front of the office. Please inform a staff member if there is an emergency and if an ambulance has been called.

IF TRANSPORTING TO MEDICAL SERVICES:

Follow CR 130 down the hill to Macey lane. Turn left onto Macey and then right onto CR 140. Turn left onto Highway 69 and follow this into Westcliffe. The medical center will be on the right as you enter town. The phone number for the medical center is (719) 783-2380. Their hours of operation are Monday - Friday 9 am-5 pm and Saturday 9 am-12 pm with emergency services 24hr a day.



OTHER IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW

Our staff is here to serve you with excellence and make your week of Family Camp as enjoyable and meaningful as possible. A few helpful things to remember:

HORN CREEK IS YOUR HOME FOR THE WEEK

Check-in & Out - Check-in begins at 4:30 pm on Sunday and check-out is at 9:00 am the following Saturday. If you are arriving late, please let us know.

Linens - All bedding, towels, and wash cloths are provided. If your bedding needs to be cleaned or changed, please let us know. We will visit your cabin or room to take the trash out and provide fresh towels on Wednesday.

Laundry - If you need to do laundry, please contact a staff member so we can accommodate you.

Assistance - If you need assistance during non-business hours, please visit the concierge desk and use the radio there to inform the Family Camp Manager of your needs.

Dietary Restrictions - If you or your child has any dietary restrictions, please help us prepare by letting us know at least one week prior to your arrival. Please contact our Food Services Supervisor Ryan Kenyon at RyanK@SkyRanch.org.

CAMP LIFE

Reservations - Need to reserve an off-camp activity? Our Family Camp staff will be available upon arrival to answer questions, sign your family up for activities, and assist with scheduling off-camp adventures that require reservations.

Round Up - On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings we will be offering Round Up for both kids and parents. Kids will connect with other kids through an age-appropriate Bible study, and parents will have an informal 'round table' discussion led by our host couple.

Camp Store - The Trading Post is located in the Recreation Center, and is fully stocked with souvenirs, Sky Ranch Horn Creek apparel, and special treasures! Nearby, you'll find Peak Treats – the best place on the mountain to find your favorite snacks, smoothie, and coffee drinks!

Wifi - We have limited internet on camp; however, we ask it only to be used for emergency situations. There is free wifi available on Main Street in Westcliffe.



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