



2025 Tres Ritos Scout Camp Program Guide



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Located in the Sangre De Cristo Mountains of New Mexico, Tres Ritos Scout Camp offers a terrific high-altitude mountain camping experience, access to some of the finest hiking locations and some of the most spectacular scenery in the country. In true mountain camp fashion, Tres Ritos Scout Camp offers patrol style cooking and merit badge classes that take place in the stunning outdoors. Campers will have the opportunity on Wednesday to take a break from merit badge course work and participate in hikes and special classes that may include a trip to Harding Mine, Philmont, Angostura Meadow, Jicarita Peak, and much more. This unique week long, mountain experience is a chance to get outdoors. Come cool down from the summer heat in the ountains of New Mexico.

Location

Tres Ritos Scout Camp is 2 hours from Philmont, 45 minutes from Taos, and 9000 feet above sea level. Our location offers access to some of the finest hiking trails and some of the most spectacular scenery in the country.

Google Maps Link

Click [here](#) to view camp in google maps and get directions from your hometown!

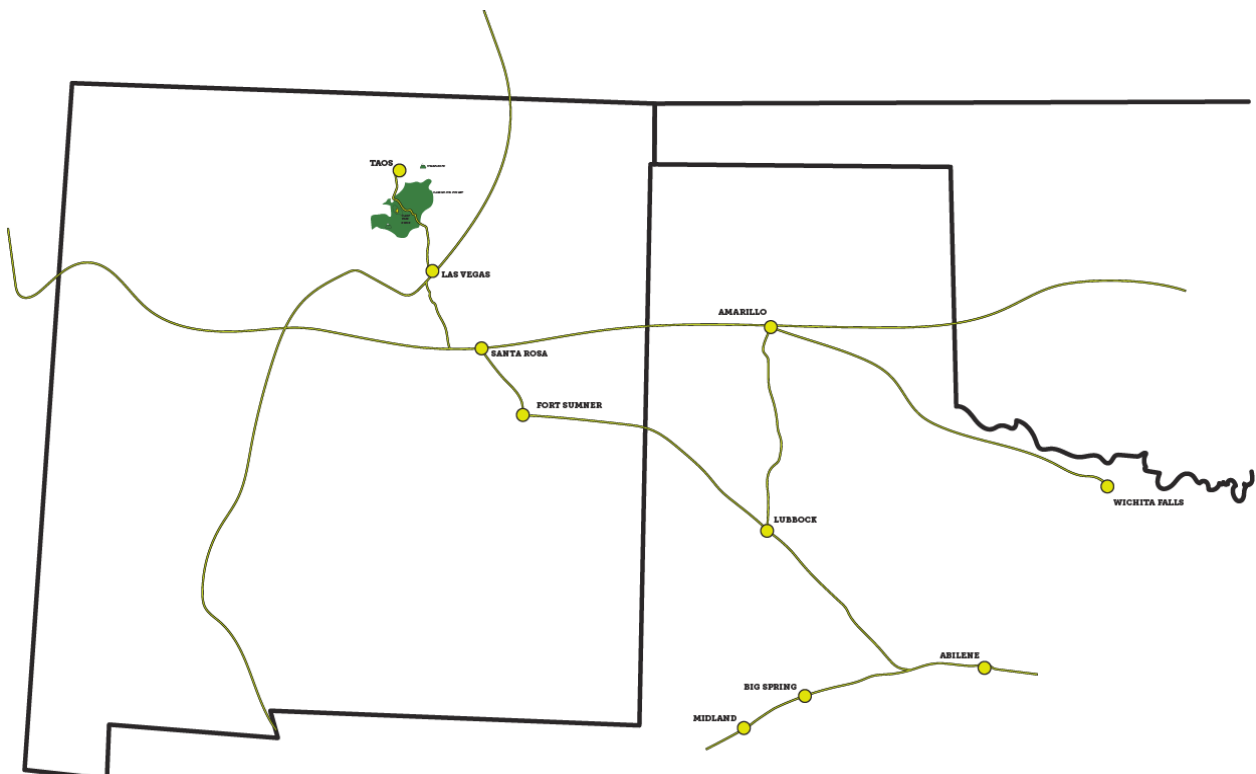
Roads

99% of roads leading to camp are state or interstate highways. The final ¼ mile is a forest road. This road is typically well maintained by the forest service, but can be bumpy.

Transportation

Each troop is responsible for transportation to and from camp. Parking is limited, so please condense the number of vehicles brought to camp. No vehicles are allowed past the parking lot. We encourage troops to bring carts or wagons to help haul gear to campsites.

Proximity Map



2025 Summer Camp Dates

Camp Week 1 Pecos Packer – Trek 1	July 6 – July 12
Camp Week 2 Pecos Packer – Trek 2	July 13 – July 19

Camp Fees

We want everyone to be able to come to camp, so we have kept our rates low again for 2025. Deposit and fees can be paid at: <http://scoutingevent.com/694-2025tresritos>

- Deposit - \$100 (non-refundable, applied to balance)
- Youth - \$375
- Adults - \$200 (one free adult per 5 scouts; limited to two adults)

Payment Schedule

Deposit	Deposit per Scout	Payment 1	Final Payment
Due upon reservation	February 1, 2025	April 1, 2025	June 1, 2025
\$100	Min \$50 per Scout	Min \$150 per Scout	\$175 per Scout

Pecos Packer

New this season is our Pecos Packer trekking program. Enjoy a five-day backpacking experience in the Sangre De Cristo Mountains. During your adventure, you will visit the Angostura Meadow, the Knob, Serpent Lake, and Jicarita Peak. We will have one guided group of 12 per week (2 guides, up to 2-4 adults and 6-8 youth) with two weeklong options available. Meals for the week and most gear will be provided. This program is for Scouts 13 or older.

- Youth - \$375
- Adults - \$200

For more information, please see our Pecos Packer's Program Guide.

Refund Policy

An initial deposit of \$100.00 *per Troop* (\$100 for Lone Scouts and Scouters) is non-refundable and will be applied toward the total camp fees accrued by the unit.

Refunds are issued due to accident, illness, death in the immediate family or family relocation. “No Shows” will not receive a refund.

Refunds will NOT be available after the June 1st due date for units or individuals unable to attend camp.

Please contact our Scout Executive, Nathan Baie at Nathan.Baie@scouting.org if you have any questions about refunds.

Camp Information

Campsite Facilities

Units will need to **bring their own tents** for lodging at camp, as well as any dining fly or shelter in their campsite. Each site has access to a private, single user vault toilet for the unit’s use, and a water spigot for the unit to use for cooking and cleaning. Tents and shelters are not provided by the camp. Units must bring all tents and shelters for campsite use during the week.

Trading Post

The Trading Post will have a fully stocked inventory of great camp merchandise. We will carry items including cold drinks, water bottles, candy, scouting items, t-shirts, merit badge books, as well as grooming and hygiene items. It is recommended for Scouts to bring about \$50-100 for the Trading Post. (Credit/Debit cards are accepted)



Patrol Cooking

Bust out the spices and season the cast iron, Tres Ritos Scout Camp is 100% patrol cooking! We distribute food at mealtimes and your unit prepares everything in your campsite! Each troop will be assigned a staff member (Troop Guide) who will join you for meals each day. Patrol cooking presents an excellent opportunity for Scouts to learn and implement the patrol method.

Program

Merit Badge Offerings *(subject to change based on staffing and are first-come, first-serve)*

All the classics with a few extras thrown in! Tres Ritos Scout Camp offers Eagle required and non-required badges, but most importantly, we offer a fun learning experience at camp!

Areas	Merit Badge
ScoutCraft	Camping (Eagle)
	First Aid (Eagle)
	Orienteering
	Pioneering
	Search and Rescue
	Wilderness Survival
	Emergency Preparedness (Eagle)
Nature	Astronomy
	Environmental Science (Eagle)
	Fly Fishing (Sessions 1 & 2 Combined)
	Geology
	Nature
	Bird Study
	Forestry
	Mammal Study
	Weather
Handicraft	Basketry
	Leatherwork
	Wood Carving
	Art
Other	Chess
	Fingerprinting
	Geocaching
	Scouting Heritage
Shooting Sports	Archery
	Rifle (Air Rifle)
Trail to First Class	TFC (Sessions 1 & 2 Combined)

Registration for Merit Badges will open June 2, 2025.

Trail to First Class (TFC)

Tres Ritos Scout Camp offers a robust Trail to First Class program. We combine a morning session of TFC specific skills, with the option to enroll in two additional Eagle required badges in the afternoon. It is possible for Scouts to come away with the knowledge and skills required to earn their First Class rank, and their first two Eagle required merit badges. Scouts will also earn their Totin' Chip, and Firem'n Chit as part of Trail to First Class.

Program Fees

Some merit badges have additional fees for required materials. These materials are available at camp from the Trading Post. These merit badges would include:

- Pioneering \$5
- Basketry \$15
- Leatherwork \$15
- Woodcarving \$20
- Scouts participating in Fly Fishing may be required to purchase a New Mexico fishing license¹

Evening Programs

Our evening programs are designed to give each participant a flexible time to enjoy camp and engage in unit and camp activities. The trading post will always be open in the evenings, stocked with all kinds of items for Scouts and Leaders to purchase.

Week Day	Program
Monday	Staff Hunt
Tuesday	Cobbler Cook-Off
Wednesday	Movie Night
Thursday	Chili Cook-Off
Friday	Closing Campfire

Staff Hunt

Track 'em down! Each staff member is worth a specified number of points. Find the staff member and earn those points...but there is a catch. Each staffer is armed with a question or riddle that must be solved before points are awarded. The trick is to carry your Scout Handbook at all times.

¹ Tres Ritos is located in a National Forest, and we must comply with all national and local rules and regulations regarding fish and wildlife management. More information can be provided when you register for camp.

Movie Night

Enjoy watching a movie outdoors while under the mountain stars or in the Program Barn (depending on the weather). Drinks, popcorn, and candy from the Trading Post will complete the movie experience.

Cobbler Cook Off

Show off your cast iron chef skills! Bring your fixings or request a "Mystery Bag" and enter one cobbler per patrol in the Annual Tres Ritos Cobbler Cook-Off. Adult entries will be classified as such and judged separately.

Chili Cook Off

Beans or No Beans? You decide in the Annual Tres Ritos Chili Cook-Off. Bring your fixings and each unit can enter one youth and adult dish. Adult entries will be classified as such and judged separately.

Branding²

The TR brand is known far and wide across Texas, New Mexico, and Oklahoma. Show your friends that you visited beautiful Tres Ritos Scout Camp by having your items branded.

Merit Badge Open Work

Some badges require some additional work time, such as Fly Fishing. Time is available in the evenings to visit with instructors and complete requirements.

Wednesday Programs

At Tres Ritos Scout Camp, we take a break from merit badge classes on Wednesday. Scouts and Units have the opportunity to go on a staff guided back-country hike, relax and enjoy camp, or leave camp to have your own experience!

Our hiking options include:

Angostura Meadow

A 5 mile hike from Tres Ritos Scout Camp to the Angostura Meadow. Scouts and Leaders will be guided up to the meadow with a prepared sack lunch to eat upon arrival, while enjoying the beautiful views. Traces of wildlife and plant life are commonly seen along the trail. The hike will have short breaks, allowing you to rest as well as take great photos to remember the journey years later!

Jicarita Peak

A 14 mile hike into the backwoods. Scouts and Leaders will be transported to the Serpent Lake Trailhead parking lot just south of Tres Ritos. Once at the parking lot, we will unload our gear and be guided on the long journey up to the dividing ridge between the Carson Nation Forest and the Pecos Wilderness. At the divide we can continue the trail up to the peak of Jicarita while looking at lovely views of the surrounding mountains for miles.

² Branding is only suitable for certain resilient materials. We do not recommend branding anything thin, meltable, or living.

Adult Specific Opportunities

Adults get to have fun too! We have a few adult specific activities planned to keep all of our fine unit leaders engaged.

- Scoutmaster Coffee - Daily!
- Disc Golf
- Yard Games
- Quiet time in your campsite, enjoying the great outdoors at 9,000 feet!

Schedule

Merit badges sessions will be offered Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Wednesday is reserved as a program day for hiking, and other opportunities not directly related to merit badges. The below schedule is an example of a typical day at Tres Ritos Scout Camp.

TIME	Activity
7:00 AM	Food pick-up Breakfast
8:30 AM	Morning Flags
9:00 AM	Trading Post Open
9:00 AM	Merit Badge Session 1
10:30 AM	Merit Badge Session 2
12:00 PM	Food pick-up Lunch
1:30 PM	Merit Badge Session 3
3:00 PM	Merit Badge Session 4
5:00 PM	Evening Flags
5:15 PM	SPL Meeting
5:30 PM	Food pick-up Dinner
7:00 PM	Evening Program
9:00 PM	Astronomy Merit Badge
10:00 PM	Lights Out

