

Summary information on Troop 236's past High Adventure Experiences

Troop policy requires the following two qualifications for a Scout to be eligible to attend a high adventure trip:

1. To attend a high adventure outing the Scout must be either 14 years old or 13 years old and have completed the 8th grade by the date of the trip.
2. A Scout must have achieved the rank of 1st Class Scout by the date of the trip.

Note: All cost estimates shown below are based on past trip experience and may not be reflective of the cost of future trips. They should be used as a budget planning guide only.

Note: The trip frequencies shown below are estimates and no guarantee that a trip will be held within the time frames shown. All current trip planning is based on sufficient qualified Scout interest in a trip.

Past Adventures

Philmont Scout Ranch

Philmont Scout Ranch is the Boy Scouts of America's largest National High Adventure Base. It covers 140,177 acres of rugged mountain wilderness in the Sangre de Cristo range of the Rocky Mountains in northeastern New Mexico. Philmont Scout Ranch operates 35 staffed camps and 55 trail camps across the rugged terrain that ranges in elevation from 6,500 to 12,441 feet. In addition to providing an unforgettable adventure in backpacking across miles of rugged, rocky trails, Philmont Scout Ranch offers programs that feature the best of the Old West—horseback riding, burro packing, gold panning, chuckwagon dinners, and interpretive history—with exciting challenges for today such as rock climbing, mountain biking, and sport shooting. It's an unbeatable recipe for fast-paced fun in the outdoors.

Frequency – approximately every two years

Estimated cost - \$2,200 - \$2,400

Florida Sea Base

Sea Base operates 18 different adventures out of five locations: two in the Florida Keys, two in the US Virgin Islands, and one in Marsh Harbour, Bahamas. Coral Reef Sailing, Sea Exploring Adventure, STEM Eco-Adventure, Scuba Adventure, Scuba Certification, and Live Aboard Scuba Adventure operate in the Florida Keys at Mile Marker 73.8 at Florida Sea Base on Lower Matecumbe Key located 75 miles south of Miami. Out Island Adventure, Keys Adventure, Florida Fishing, Marine STEM and Key West Sailing programs operate in the Florida Keys on Summerland Key at Mile Marker 23.8 at the Brinton Environmental Center located 125 miles south of Miami. Sea Base Bahamas offers Bahamas Adventure and Bahamas Tall Ship Adventure operated out of Marsh Harbour, Abaco, Bahamas, located about 100 miles east of Fort Lauderdale. Sea Base St. Thomas offers St. Thomas Sailing Adventures and STEM Eco Sailing Adventures operate out of St. Thomas, USVI. Scouting's most complete aquatic facility offers a variety of water activities from scuba diving to sailing "Tall Ships". All of our participants have the

opportunity to swim, snorkel, and fish among the most beautiful coral reefs in the northern hemisphere.

Frequency – approximately every four years

Estimated cost - \$1,300-\$1,500

Northern Tier

Northern Tier is the Boy Scouts of America's gateway to adventure in the Great Northwoods. In the summer, Scouts from Northern Tier's three wilderness canoe bases explore millions of acres of pristine lakes, meandering rivers, dense forests and wetlands in Northern Minnesota, Northwest Ontario and Northeast Manitoba. Northern Tier crews paddle in almost 6 million acres of exclusively canoe-access wilderness from the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) of Minnesota to the Atikaki Provincial Park of Manitoba. Trips range in length from 6-14 days and usually include between 50-150 miles of wilderness travel. All trips are fully outfitted and provisioned. A highly trained staff member, called an Interpreter, accompanies all crews on their trek.

Frequency – Troop has only attended once in its history in 2018

Estimated cost - \$1,200-\$1,400

Summit Bechtel Reserve

The Summit Experience program is the only program that lets you try all The Summit's high adventure activities—BMX, skateboarding, mountain biking, zip lines, canopy tours, challenge courses, climbing, shooting sports and more—in one setting. This is a seven-day/six-night program running Sunday to Saturday. It consists of half-day introductory level experiences at each of the nine Summit high adventure venues. In addition, each group will perform a half-day service project and have the chance to ride The Big Zip – our 3/4 mile zip line. In addition, each night (Monday-Friday), we will open the Scott Summit Center for activities, fun and socializing. The Scott Summit Center incorporates small versions of our adventure sports venues.

Frequency – Troop will be attending for the first time during the summer of 2020

Estimated cost - \$850-\$900

New River Adventure

New River Adventure is a high adventure program based in the Blue Ridge Mountains in Virginia. Participants spend three days rafting Class V whitewater rapids on the New River Gorge in West Virginia and participate in low and high COPE and rope courses. They will spend two days caving, rock climbing in the New River Gorge, whitewater canoeing in the New River Gorge, participate in our ATV course, or pistol shooting (for Venturers only). New River Adventure is full of action-packed activities in the New River Gorge and on the Blue Ridge Scout Reservation.

Frequency – No set schedule, last attended in 2019

Estimated cost - \$400

High Knoll

High Knoll is a rugged 4 day backpacking adventure showing a taste of the Appalachian area, past and present, in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. Crews will travel according to their planned itinerary and have the option to attempt the 50 Miler award.

Each evening, teams will have time to participate in activities which may include: Natural rock climbing, Horseback riding, Black powder shooting, Logging Camp, Paintball range, Mountainboarding, Geocaching, Rafting Class V rapids.

Frequency – No set schedule, last attended in 2004

Estimated cost - \$400

Claytor Lake

Sitting on the edge of Claytor Lake in Virginia's Blue Ridge Mountains, this camp gives participants huge opportunities to enjoy the lake. The Aquatics Base offers SCUBA and Wakeboarding high adventure camps. Here you'll experience the best aquatic education and experiences in Scouting. This is the newest base camp on the Blue Ridge Scout Reservation, offering attendees comfortable cabins and modern shower facilities.

Meals are served in the air-conditioned dining hall. When not in the water, Scouts can experience the climbing tower for a unique challenge.

Frequency – No set schedule, last attended in 2006

Estimated cost - \$400

Sabattis

Sabattis Adventure Camp offers a full-service trek program. Your group is provided with food, permits, transportation from starting and finishing points, Kevlar canoes, paddles, most group equipment, and a hot shower at the end of your trek. Trekkers are welcome to take part in Sunday and Friday camp activities at Sabattis Adventure Camp including opening and closing campfires, Sunday barbecue, Friday afternoon field day or water carnival, and shooting programs when you return from your trek (14+). (Programs are not available during week 5 treks when summer camp is closed. Instead, enjoy the quiet solitude of the Adirondacks.) Base camp includes patrol box, wall tents with platforms, dining fly, cots and cooking gear. Let us know in advance if you need base camp cooking gear. Shower house is available.

Frequency – No set schedule, last attended in 2015

Estimated cost - \$400-\$450