# **Itinerary 4A-N**

# Challenging

### 49 miles

### Camping & Hiking Highlights

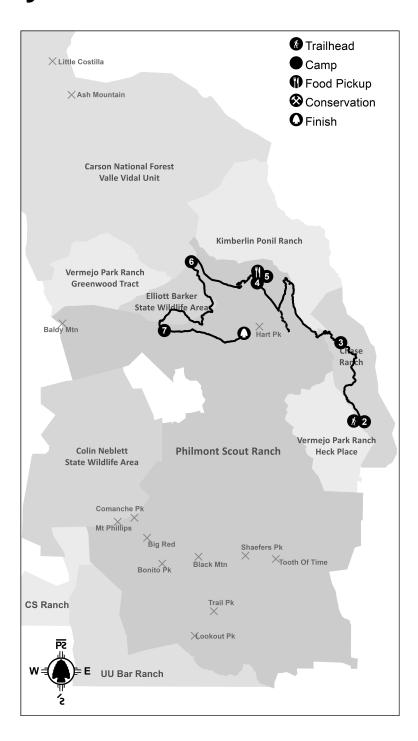
- Wilson Mesa
- Cottonwood Canyon
- Chase Canyon
- Side Hike to Indian Writings

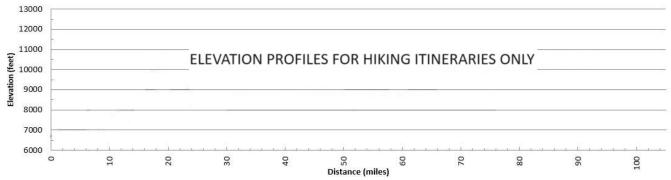
## **Program Highlights**

- Railroading & Blacksmithing
- Challenge Course Events
- Petroglyph Tour
- Rock Climbing & Rappelling

### Conservation

- Day 7 Flume Canyon
- any time
- New Trail Construction





#### 2024 PHILMONT ADVENTURE ITINERARY

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#### Challenging (maximum program time) - 49 miles

This itinerary explores Philmont's lovely northern canyon country. You'll start off at Ponil for your circle ride and other preparations and then on the morning of Day 3 be transported to the historic Chase Ranch. While there, crews have the option to tour the house at headquarters and learn about ranching in Northern New Mexico starting in the frontier days. Your first ride is a 6.3 mile ride up beautiful Chase Canyon to Chase Cow Camp where the program is rock climbing. There are also historic structures there from the days when cowboys drove cattle through this country. From there, the ride up to Metcalf Station over the canyon tops is a vista-filled ride on Day 4. At Metcalf Station, crews lay over and participate in a conservation project at Indian Writings, where the programming includes a petroglyph tour and archaeology. Programming at Metcalf includes blacksmithing, historic railroading and an evening campfire. Food resupply will be dropped off at Metcalf and then on Day 6, the crew will ride over more scenic canyon tops to Dan Beard on Philmont's northern border. Dan Beard camp offers challenge course programming. Day 7 brings a ride into more wooded and mountainous country as the crew rides across the Elliot Barker Wildlife Area and Wilson Mesa to Pueblano camp back on Philmont. Pueblano offers programming with the interpretive Continental Tie and Lumber Company including spar pole climbing and lumberjack programming, with a renowned evening campfire show. Day 8 brings the crew 5 miles down the South Ponil canyon along the South Ponil creek to Ponil camp where they participate in the Gymkhana competition at the end of the cavalcade.

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	PONIL <sup>s</sup>	0.1	0'	0'	Wrangler Training, Circle Ride	Camping HQ
3	CHASE COW	6.0	0'	0'	Rock Climbing & Rappelling	
4	METCALF STATION	17.2	0'	0'	Railroading, Blacksmithing, Campfire	
5	METCALF STATION	6.7	0'	0'	Side Hike to Indian Writings: Archaeology, Petroglyph Tour; Conservation Project	
6	DAN BEARD	4.7	0'	0'	Challenge Course Events	
7	PUEBLANO	7.7	0'	0'	Conservation @ Flume Canyon; Tie Making & Crosscut Saws, Spar Pole Climbing, Company Meeting Campfire	
8	Camping HQ	6.4	0'	0'	Gymkhana @ Ponil; Awards Campfire	

(s) = Showers may be available

Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Ponil Gate to go to Ponil Camp Returns to Camping Headquarters on Day 8 from Ponil Gate

Conservation: Flume Canyon Sectional Maps: North

Crews passing through staff camps may have an opportunity to participate in some, but not all, program opportunities in the camp, based on availability.