

Wyoming's Wind River Country Announces 2009 Western Summer Vacation Packages

Adventure vacation packages in Wyoming's Wind River Country this summer range from refined to rugged. For cowgirls, archaeology buffs, singles, gourmands, and families the many attractions and unparalleled scenery of the Wind River Region are calling. Some of the packages can be enjoyed throughout the season, while others are only available during certain dates. Following is a brief description of each special vacation package wrapped in the wonder of Wyoming's Wind River Country. For complete package listings and logistics, visit <http://www.wind-river.org> . Or call 800-645-6233 for a free vacation packet.



Guest dude ranches in Wind River Country region have special weeks in-store for summer travelers. No one needs to feel like a "third wheel" at Triangle C Dude Ranch. Nestled within the pines of the Shoshone National Forest just 30 minutes from the gates of Yellowstone National Park, the ranch hosts a "Country Singles Weeks" one in late spring. Lone travelers make new acquaintances while kicking up their heels on the dance floor of rustic saloons and soaking up scenery on cool forest trails.

The Dubois KOA offers an amazing variety of specials this summer! Try the "Authentic Western Adventure through the Eyes of Native Americans and Cowboys" which includes a Big Horn Sheep Trap Hike, Camping, and Rodeo. For those who enjoy some horseback riding the "Saddle Up in Dubois" might be for you. It starts with camping, then a 2-hour horse ride on the MacKenzie Highland Ranch's trails into the Shoshone Forest, ending with the Circle Up Chuckwagon Dinner. And there's more! During the "Authentic Western Adventure through Rock Art, Song and Grub" you will see Native American Petroglyphs, then camp and enjoy the famous Circle Up Chuckwagon Dinner & Show. There is something for everyone at the KOA.

A four-day July retreat at the E A Guest Ranch in Dubois mixes horsemanship and yoga in a setting of red hills and majestic mountains. Cowgirls, cowboys and yogi unite to share wisdom, adventure and fun.

The Lazy L & B Dude Ranch overlooks the scenic Scotch Valley, named for the 1890 Scottish homesteaders that first settled this idyllic spot. Travelers get a 10% discount (Military 15%) on weekly rates all season long! (If less than one week, call for details.) Guests ride through patches of brilliant color scattered across 80 thousand wild acres surrounding the old sheep and cattle ranch. The Lazy L & B has superior riding programs as well as a rifle range, heated swimming pool and volleyball and horseshoe courts. <http://www.lazylb.com> .

Families also find plenty of outdoor adventure at the historic CM Ranch near Dubois. Each guest receives expert riding instruction at this classic dude ranch, including the kids who have their own wrangler, and may try their hand at roping the "dummy steer."



Brooks Lake Lodge, a Wyoming guest ranch in an elegant atmosphere within an intimate secluded wilderness retreat offers a special rate this summer! This will include breakfast, lunch, dinner & tea time plus all activities: horseback trail riding, fly fishing, hiking and canoes for lake. The gorgeous summer season offers spectacular wildlife viewing, wilderness pack trips, and hiking trips into territory sure to take your breath away.

Taylor Outfitters offers a culture-based trip the first week of September called "On the Trail of the Nez Perce." The 8-day pack trip weaves through Yellowstone's backcountry following the 1877 flight to Canada by the Nez Perce. Encounters with soldiers, mercenaries, Indian scouts, and local tourists in the wilderness of Yellowstone are part of the fascinating tale of these early Wyoming natives. Taylor Outfitters can be reached by e-mail at metaylor@wyoming.com

Bear Basin Adventures operating out of Crowheart, Wyoming still has a few spaces left on an amazing family wilderness trip. The 6-day horse pack trip recommended for kids 8 years and older, leads guests to the Dunoir Valley, a spectacular glaciated volcanic region between the Wind River and Yellowstone. The Family wilderness is slated for anytime in August or September and includes gourmet meals, camping supplies, guides, horses and tack, and fly-fishing. If fishing is your thing, join Heath on an eight-day trip for some fantastic fishing in the beautiful Simpson Lake area. The northern Wind River Range is fabulous country and the fly fishing in lakes or streams is great. There will be the opportunity to fish the lake itself and other surrounding fisheries. The fishing is world renowned- fly-fishing or spin-casting. Brookies, Rainbows, Cutthroat Trout and Grayling all inhabit these healthy, pristine waters.

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