



TRINITY ALPS TREK

A WILDERNESS BACKPACKING TRIP

The Trinity Alps Wilderness encompasses over 500,000 acres in Northern California. Home to many 8000 foot summits, the Trinity Alps is teeming with wildflowers and hidden meadows. On this 5 to 8 day wilderness trek, you can expect to see chiseled granite peaks, lush meadows, glacial lakes, rushing streams, bubbling springs, and views that take your breath away.

This trip is a perfect companion trip to an academic study topic, and we can make time each morning for study and writing before the day's hike. Hiking and the necessities of expedition travel are punctuated by the rhythmic task of setting up our wilderness camp next to a lake or along a bubbling stream. Here, students will work in teams to set up tents, gather firewood, and prepare food.

All participants will learn backpacking and backcountry navigation skills, experience the hardship and joy of challenging hiking, learn to identify plants, carve wooden spoons, and at the end of the day swim in crystal clear alpine lakes. As the stars come out, we reflect on the day's travel, and enjoy the camaraderie and feeling of togetherness that comes at the end of a day well spent with friends.

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What's included?

- Planning and executing the logistics for a safe and fun expedition.
- Providing experienced and qualified instructors.
- One free adult chaperone is included with every 12 students.
- An info packet for students and parents including packing list and medical questionnaire.
- A video O&A session with parents 6 weeks prior to program start.
- Obtaining and maintaining all required licenses and permits
- Meals and snacks: hot, abundant, and nourishing.
- All specialty and group equipment.
- Involving students with every step of expedition life. Each student is given a specific expedition responsibility with high and achievable expectations. Staff mentor students closely so they can be empowered to succeed at their responsibility and experience the satisfaction of contributing meaningfully to the group.
- Photos will be taken by our staff throughout the expedition and made available at the end.
- Wilderness life curriculum, mentorship, facilitating community, and fun!



Logistics and Transportation:

- This trip can be booked any time in from July through October.
- Our standard length itinerary is 5 8 days.
- Program begins and ends near Weaverville, CA. Specific locations TBD based on local conditions. School is responsible for student transportation to and from program locations.
- For groups of over 16, part of the expedition will be split into smaller groups, to allow for a more cohesive small team experience.

Trip Fees, Payment, and Cancellation

- Trip cost per student: <u>5 days: \$775</u> 6 days: \$950 <u>7 days: \$1100</u> 8 days: \$1250
- Minimum number of students billed is 10, but we are happy to run a program with fewer than 10 students.
- After the contract is signed, students may be added to the trip at full calculated cost (contingent on group size). For students subtracted from group, school will receive a refund for that student's fee if change is made prior to 6 months before program start, and a credit for that student's fee if change is made prior to 6 weeks before the trip start. Fees are non-refundable after that point.
- A 10% non-refundable deposit reserves your trip. A 40% payment of total contract cost is due at 4 months from program start. 100% of payment due 30 days from program start.

