

OPTIONAL ADVENTURE TRIPS - 2017

Each summer, we schedule several optional adventure trips that campers find exciting and rewarding. The trips always provide memorable experiences. You can participate in as many or as few trips as you'd like, as long as none conflict with each other. Trips vary in length and are planned for the abilities of the participating campers.

Trip sign-ups occur the first two days of each session. Rarely is a trip cancelled, but if fewer than five people sign up it may be necessary for us to do so. Because reservations have to be made, there is a \$25 fee for those who drop or add a trip after the cut-off date (typically the third day of the session). In addition, some trips may be limited in space due to group size regulations in certain areas (such as the White Mountains).

Sessions		Type of Trip/Duration	Description	Extra Cost	
1	2				
	x	Canoeing 2 days	Explore the Kennebec River and spend the night on Swan Island, a game preserve with abundant wildlife.	n/a	
	x	Canoeing** 4-5 days	The Allagash River area of the state is so beautiful it has been featured in National Geographic's magazine. Once on the Allagash, campers paddle 60 miles down river, bouncing through mild rapids and portaging around scenic waterfalls. Moose and deer, almost close enough to touch, are frequent companions.	n/a	
	x	Canoeing 3-4 days	Campers canoe the remote St. Croix River , which forms the international border with Canada. Wildlife is abundant in what is known as "Downeast Maine."	n/a	
	x	Kayaking 2 days	The speed and buoyancy of kayaks combine with the splendors of Maine rivers to produce a voyage worth remembering, on this trip throughout Merrymeeting Bay on the Kennebec River.	n/a	
	x	x	White Water Rafting 1 day	A three-hour drive to the head of the Kennebec River in the Forks begins a spectacular challenge of the class four rapids of the Gorge. Registered Maine guides using self-bailing rafts make this thrilling experience one to remember. <u>A parental release form is required.</u> It can be downloaded from the website.	\$95
		x	Biking 3 days	We will be biking in Down East Coastal Maine. We will combine sections of the Down East Sunrise Trail , a converted railway, and Acadia National Park. Bring your own bike or we can arrange a rental for you.	\$25 bike rental
		x	Mountain Biking 3 days	Bring your bike or we can arrange a rental for this biking trip in the beautiful Carrabasset Valley . We will be riding the trails at Sugarloaf USA where the skiing was great only a few months earlier.	\$25 bike rental
		x	Hiking 3 days	The culminations of this three-day hiking trip to Baxter State Park is a climb up mile-high Mount Katahdin, Maine's highest peak. The rewards of this four-to-five hour ascent are spectacular views that can sometimes extend 100 miles.	n/a
		x	Hiking 3 days	Campers backpack the Presidential Range in the White Mountains National Forest . Gear and supplies are carried as various trails, including parts of the Appalachian, are followed to the summits of mountain peaks.	n/a
		x	Sightseeing** 3 days	A 300-mile journey delivers campers to Quebec City , one of Canada's most interesting tourist areas. Highlights include visits to the Parliament building and the Cathedral at Saint Anne de Beupre. Lodging is in dorms at Laval University. [Requires a valid passport.]	\$200
		x	Sightseeing** 1 day	Tour the birthplace of the American Revolution. See historic and modern Boston by visiting sites such as Faneuil Hall, Old North Church, Bunker Hill, Harvard Square, the U.S.S. Constitution, and the aquarium.	\$100
		x	Whale Watching 1 day	A commercial boat takes campers 30 miles off the Maine coast for spectacular views of the coast and marine life.	\$45
		x	Sailing 2 days	Campers board the JE Riggin , a historic sailing vessel, for a spectacular overnight trip along the Maine coast.	\$125

** Campers must be at least 14 years old to participate in the trips marked with two asterisks.