



Philmont Training Center

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Born in 1938 as Philturn Rocky Mountain Scout Camp, today's Philmont Scout Ranch is a bustling center for high adventure and training. Youth and adults take advantage of the ranch's camping, training and work programs. Most activity takes place during the summer, but Philmont also offers Autumn Adventure and Winter Adventure programs.

More than 1 million Scouts, Venturers, and leaders have experienced the adventure of Philmont since the first camping season in 1939. Throughout its existence, conscientious attention to low-impact camping techniques has helped maintain the Ranch's wilderness. The area surrounding the Ranch is rich with history, from the Native Americans who made this arid land their home to the land barons of the 19th century. The town of Cimarron boasts a number of historical buildings, including the St. James Hotel, the site of at least 26 killings during Cimarron's wilder days.



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The Philmont Training Center (PTC) is the national volunteer training center for the Boy Scouts of America. Since 1950, the PTC has provided a unique environment for training volunteers, creating leaders, and hosting family friendly experiences and adventures. Each year, more than 6,000 Scouters and their families attend the PTC.

Every conference at the PTC features tools, techniques, audiovisuals, discussions, idea sharing, and activities led by a faculty of experienced Scouters. All registered Scouters are invited to attend training center courses; council approval is not required.

Philmont Training Center promo video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NI9EIweBZ5o&list=PL090017C35255C564&index=5>

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<http://www.philmontscoutranch.org/PTC.aspx>

Philmont 2017 and 2018 Trek opportunities

<http://www.philmontscoutranch.org/Camping/Expeditions.aspx>