

Itinerary 7-2

Challenging

31 miles

Camping & Hiking Highlights

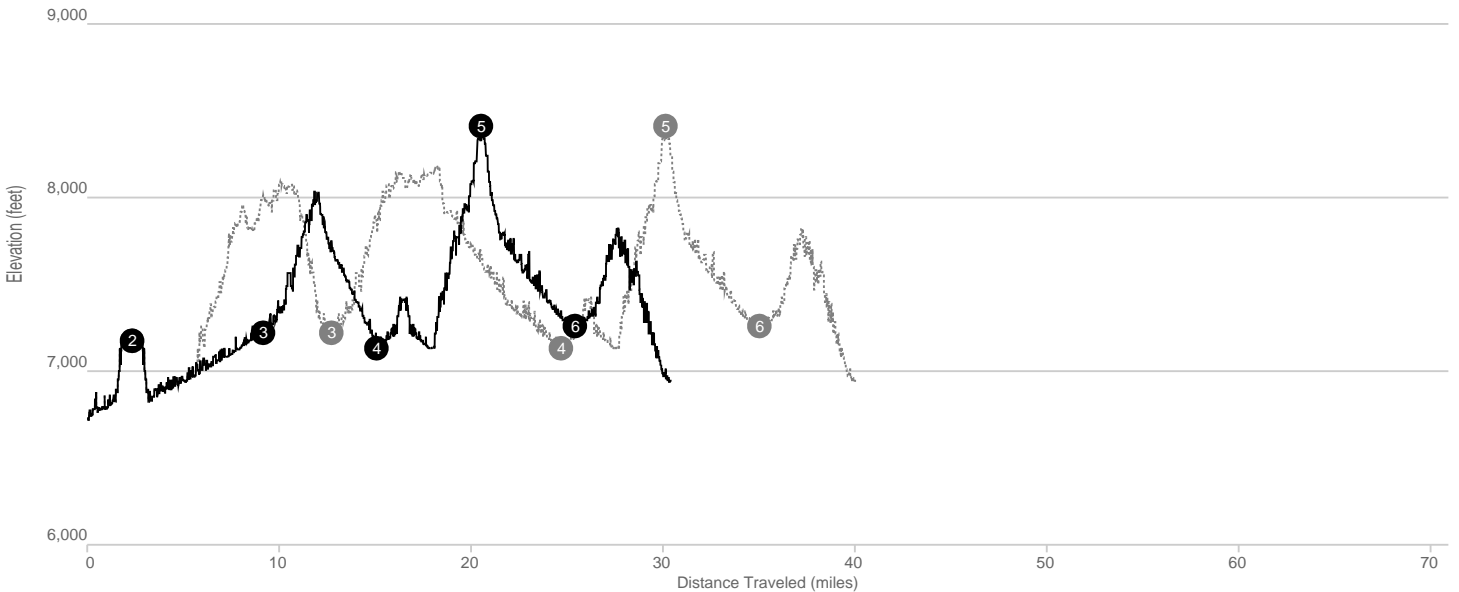
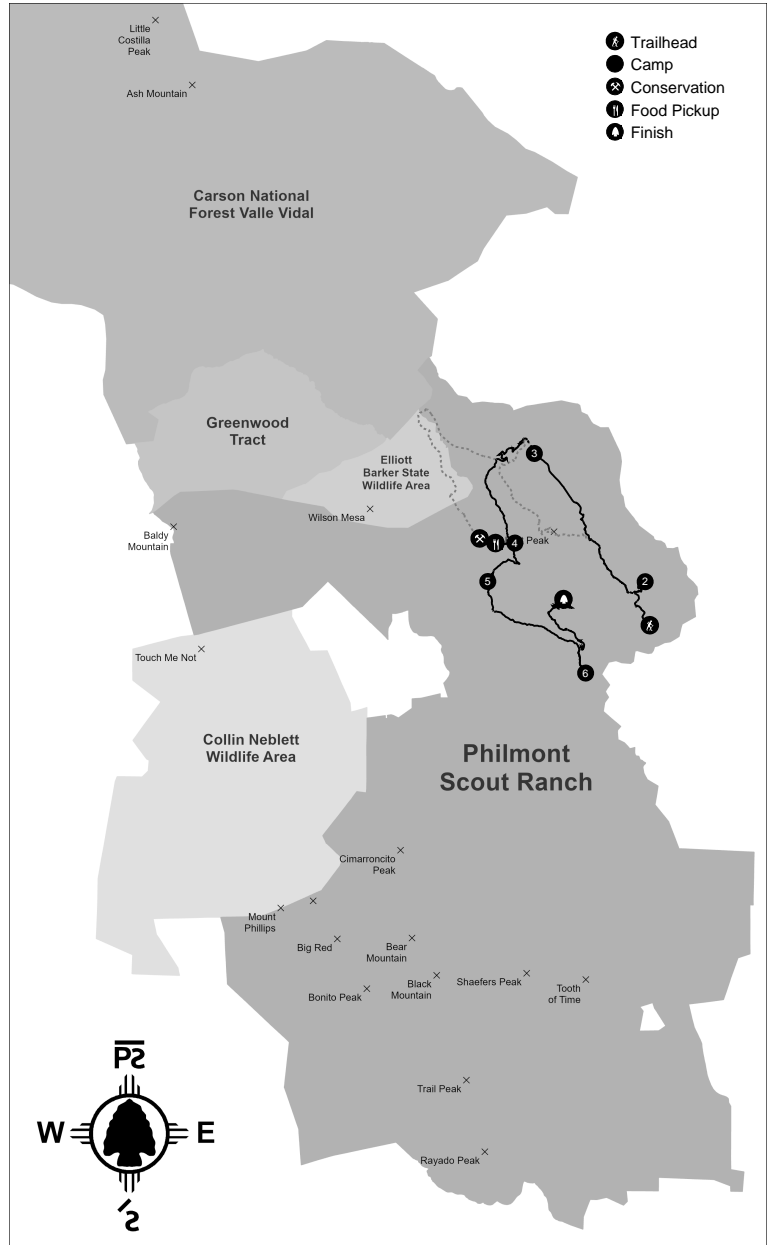
- Historic North Ponil Canyon
- Dean Skyline
- Hart Peak - 7,975 ft.

Program Highlights

- Railroading History
- Rock Climbing
- Western Lore
- Chuckwagon Dinner

Conservation

- Day 5 - Sioux
- 7:30am
- New Trail Construction



2026 PHILMONT ADVENTURE ITINERARY

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This itinerary explores much of the Ponil country, which includes some of the richest history on the ranch. You'll start with dinosaurs and petroglyphs in the North Ponil Canyon. If your crew is up for it, take the side hike to Hart Peak, the highest peak on the original gift from Waite Phillips. Move up the canyon to experience railroad history at Metcalf Station. From there you can choose to pass through Dan Beard on your way to Ponil, the original Base Camp for Rocky Mountain Philturn Scout Camp. Learn about western lore and enjoy a chuckwagon dinner and Cantina show. After your Conservation project at Sioux, see the effects of the Ute Park Fire as you head for a relaxing night at New Dean. Enjoy the recently reopened Dean Cow camp before returning to Camping Headquarters.

Updated from 2025 7-3

Day	Camp	Miles	Gain	Loss	Program Features	Food Pickup
1	Camping HQ				Opening Campfire	
2	House Canyon	2.3	1,010'	560'	Ranger Training; T-Rex Track; Trail Camp	Camping HQ
3	METCALF STATION	6.8 ^m	2,270'	2,220'	Passthrough Ancestral Puebloan Archaeology Program @ Indian Writings; Hart Peak (optional); Cimarron & Northwestern Railway Program; Campfire Show	
4	PONIL ^s	5.9 ^m	1,840'	1,930'	Passthrough Challenge Course Program @ Dan Beard (optional); Philturn Five Points Camp Program & Cantina; Chuckwagon Dinner, Campfire Show	Ponil
5	Dean Skyline ^d	5.4	2,990'	1,710'	Trail Construction Project @ Sioux; Dry Camp (Water @ Ponil); Trail Camp	
6	DEAN COW	4.9	1,220'	2,370'	Rock Climbing Program	
7	Camping HQ	5.0	2,660'	2,970'	Hike to Nine Mile Trailhead; Closing Campfire	

(d) = Dry Camp (s) = Showers may be available (m) = Mileage and Elevation gain/loss figures assume no optional routes taken

Departs from Camping Headquarters on Day 2 for Six Mile Gate Trailhead to go to House Canyon Camp

Returns to Camping Headquarters on Day 7 from Nine Mile Trailhead

Campsite Elevations: 7,132' Minimum, 8,412' Maximum **Camps:** 3 Staffed, 2 Trail, 1 Dry Camp

Conservation: Sioux

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.

NO CHANGES ARE POSSIBLE FOR CAMPS, FOOD PICKUPS, OR BUS TRANSPORTATION AFTER ITINERARY SELECTION.