

# Explorer Application FOR PHILMONT

TO BE SENT TO LOCAL SCOUT OFFICE

I am interested in going to Philmont Scout Ranch on an expedition.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

MY TELEPHONE NUMBER IS \_\_\_\_\_

MY POST OR  
TROOP NUMBER IS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_

STATE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

*Note to Explorer:* Tear off this application and send it to your LOCAL SCOUT OFFICE.

MAKE YOUR PLANS FOR THE ADVENTURE  
OF YOUR LIFE ON YOUR  
EXPLORER EXPEDITION AT PHILMONT.

## HAVE YOU EVER . . .

Climbed an 11,700-foot mountain?  
Seen the sunrise from a mountain top?  
Caught trout from a clear mountain stream?  
Helped excavate an old Indian dwelling?  
Found arrowheads, pottery, and tools used by early Indians?  
Sat in a fellowship campfire under the Western stars?  
Watched beaver at work in the moonlight?  
Built a check dam as a conservation project?  
Packed your food and gear for days at a time away from civilization?  
Hiked a winding mountain trail that crossed a stream 29 times in 6 miles?  
Fired at a full-sized deer target with a 30-06 rifle?  
Panned for gold like the old prospectors used to do?  
Taken a picture of a deer in its native haunt?  
Taken a ride on a real western cow pony?  
Thrown a diamond hitch on a burro?  
Seen a porcupine lazily walking across a trail?  
Followed the tracks of deer, bear, turkey, and other wild game?  
Hiked through beautiful mountain valleys?  
Seen a herd of buffalo?  
Camped for days by clear mountain streams in beautiful aspen or pine groves?

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW-

Dates . .

The Philmont camping season opens on June 20.  
The last check-in date is August 20.

Size of Groups . .

Catering to chartered Explorer units, Philmont has no maximum or minimum size for groups. Each group must have its own adult leader. For economy in transportation, savings on leaders fees, etc., ten or more Explorers are recommended.

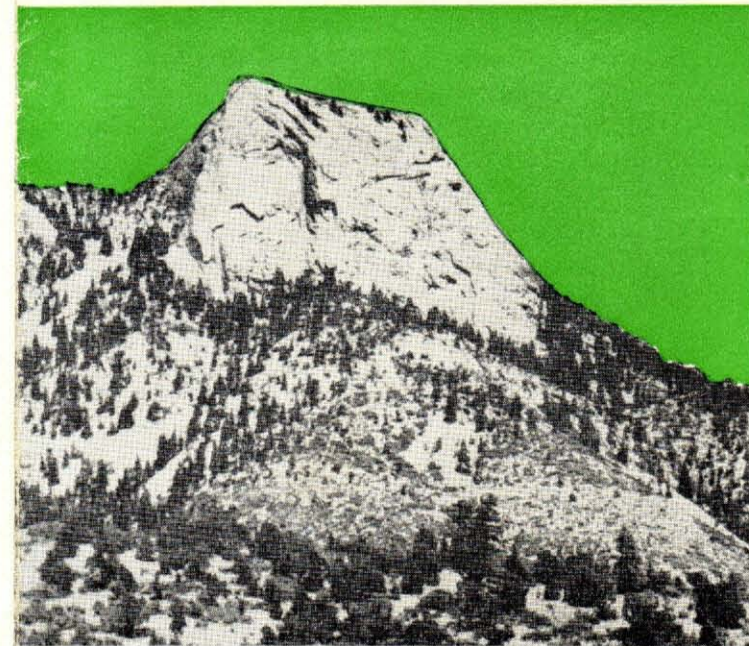
Costs . .

The twelve-day Philmont expedition costs each Explorer \$38.00. This includes food, crew and portage. This does not include individual camping equipment or transportation to and from Philmont.

How to Register . .

Fill out the application, giving your first, second, and third choices for starting dates. Send it to your local council office together with the \$5.00 reservation fee for each Explorer who plans to attend.

# PHILMONT



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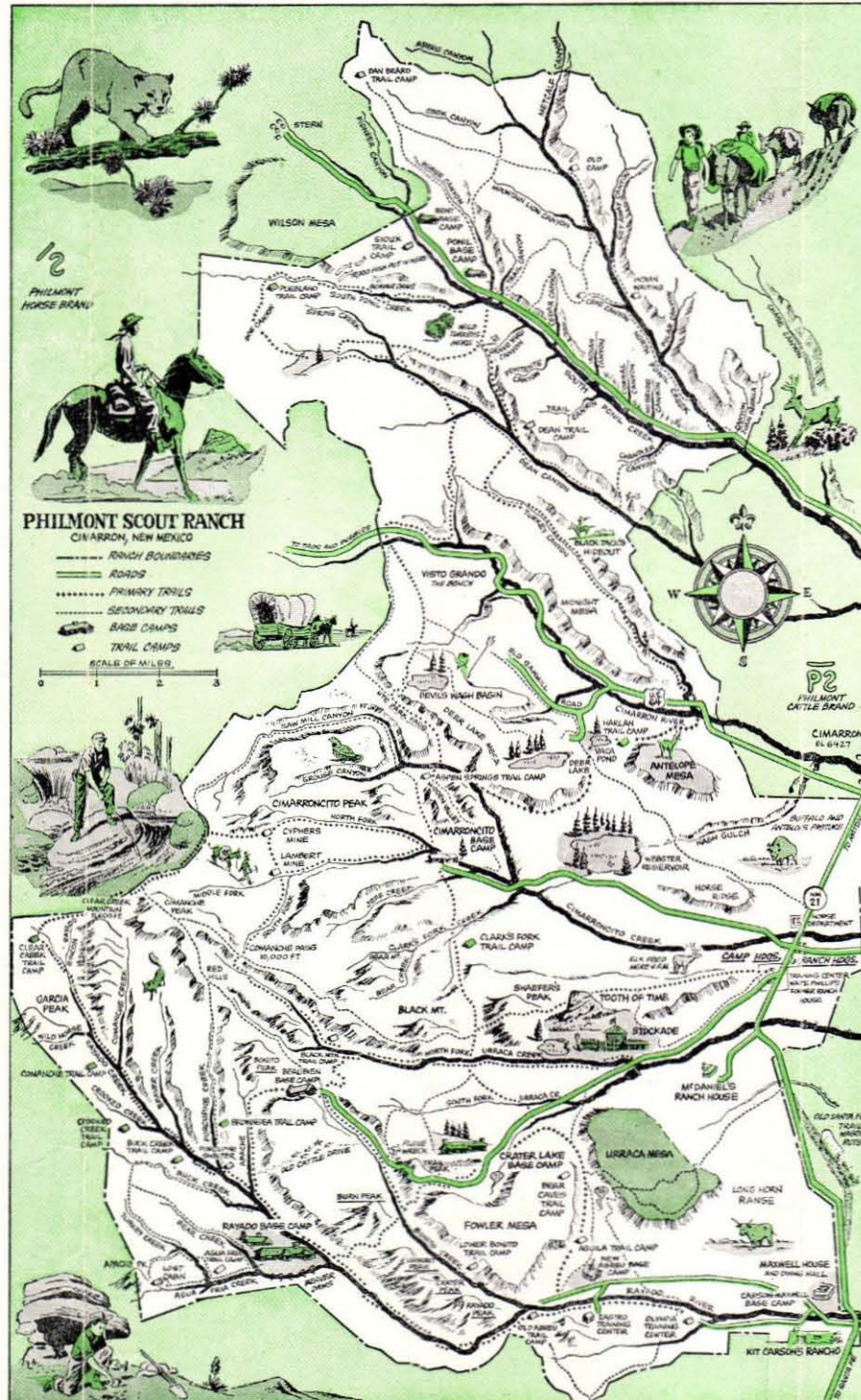
## THE PHILMONT STORY

PHILMONT is the national camping area for Explorers. Located near Cimarron, New Mexico, it comprises 127,000 acres of rugged western country on the slopes of the Sangre de Cristo range of the great Rocky Mountain chain.

PHILMONT is rich in history and the mark of the men who made it... ancient Indians and the writings they chiseled imperishably into the rocks... Cortez and the hard-riding Conquistadors... the early American trappers and pioneers, carrying the frontier on their backs... the rugged breed of mountain men like Kit Carson and Lucien Maxwell laying the trails across this land's valleys and prairies and peaks, building their great ranchos athwart the storied Santa Fe Trail, monuments to Philmont's fabulous past.

PHILMONT is rich in wild game... deer, elk, coyote, antelope, mountain lion, buffalo, wild turkey, bear... its hills and canyons teem with bird life, its flashing streams abound with game fish... its cool mountains harbor a wilderness of botany — trees, flowers, grasses — and are themselves a storehouse of living geology — the timeless record of the rocks.

PHILMONT is rich in natural beauty... the soaring Tooth of Time... sunrise from lofty Clear Creek Mountain... the blue of the water at Cimarroncito, and the eye-stretching sweep of the plain from Urraca Mesa... the sunlight filtering through the aspens along the rippling Rayado. There is beauty here.



# L A N D

## THE PHILMONT EXPLORER EXPEDITION

THE PHILMONT EXPLORER EXPEDITION is twelve days of unforgettable adventure in Philmont's sky-high back country. The broad shouldered traditions, the best of the old west — horseback riding, burro packing, wilderness survival — are combined in the Expedition into an unbeatable recipe for fast moving fun and he-man outdooring.

After you arrive, check in at camping headquarters, and are ready for the trails, you leave by bus for your assigned base camp. While there, you receive excellent instruction in camping skills. You will have the opportunity to throw your leg across a western cow pony and ride for several hours.

A campfire where you hear about the historical background of the Philmont area and the gift of it by Mr. Waite Phillips to the Boy Scouts of America, ends with Scout songs echoing through the hills.

Each group then plans their own program, deciding where to go and how long to stay in each spot. Leaving from their assigned base camp, they can return to any of the base camps they wish. They can head north to Indian Writings and spend some time with the Archaeologist or head up the South Ponil to Pueblano and fire at full-sized moving deer targets with .30 caliber rifles.

A night at Cyphers' or Lambert's mines and then on to the top of Clear Creek Mountain or over to Comanche Pass to Black Mountain brings them to the beautiful southern sector of the ranch where Bonito Canyon and the Rayado River offer comfortable and scenic camping spots.

After several days in this sector, a leisurely hike on to Abreu and Carson Maxwell Base Camp brings to an end an exciting trip. This is just one of many routes that may be followed. Many other trail camps and hiking trails are found on the Ranch. Any of them are open for Expeditions to explore.