



UTAH

ESCALANTE LOWER CANYON ADVENTURE

MULTI-SPORT MOUNTAIN BIKE TOUR



- Families with Older Kids
Families with Younger Kids
Private Tours and Custom Tours
Solos, Couples & Friends
- Departure: St. George, UT
- Tour Offered: Apr, May, Jun, Sep, Oct
- Departs On: Sunday

- Duration: 6 Days
- Lodging: First-Class Camping or Casual Inns and Cabins
- Fitness Level: 1-2
- Technical Level: 1-2
- Elevation Range: 5,000 - 8,000 ft.

Slightly larger than the state of Delaware, the Grand Staircase of Escalante National Monument conjures a great anvil placed atop the land. Its layers alternate from pink, gray, and white, to vermillion and chocolate. The beauty of these cliffs reveals much history in a myriad of ruins, fossils, not to mention dinosaur bones.

To the east, through contrasts of sublime desert and dense woodlands, lies Capitol Reef National Park. There, roads as winding as they are lengthy cut through a maze of twisting canyons. A seemingly endless array of arches and monoliths make for a visually dazzling landscape. On bikes turned search engine, we ride over and around

a western version of Stonehenge, exploring places with names as intriguing as the terrain itself: Hell's Backbone, Spooky Canyon, Death Box Hollow Wilderness, and Brimstone Canyon. Between rides and hikes we kick back in the small ranching-farming hamlets of Boulder and Escalante, both of which hark back to a gentler, more intimate Americaness.

While a Parks Service naturalist once hailed Escalante as "Perhaps the most ruggedly beautiful and remote rockscape in America," we reduce it to pure desert gold, if not one of our statement tours.





THE ESCAPE ADVENTURES EXPERIENCE

For over 25 years, the hallmark of an Escape Adventures tour is personalized, hands-on service, before, during, and after each trip.

OUR PEOPLE

Our Trip Leaders are the best in the business. Trained personally by the owners, our WFR certified Leaders understand the areas you ride and the safety of the group.

OUR COMMITMENT

We don't just preach environmental awareness, we live it. We recycle 90% of our waste and run our LEED Platinum facilities with solar and wind power. Additionally, our facilities are net zero energy (we produce more energy than we consume) which makes us the only commercial outfitter in the world who is net positive energy.

OUR FOOD

Our Leaders prepare meals on the trip with an emphasis on fresh, local and organic foods, ensuring you have the fuel you need to ride, and a delicious, meal at the same time.

OUR SUPPORT VEHICLES

We provide a support van and trailer for every 9 guests on all of our trips so you can count on us to be there when you need us.





DAY 1 | Travel and Orientation

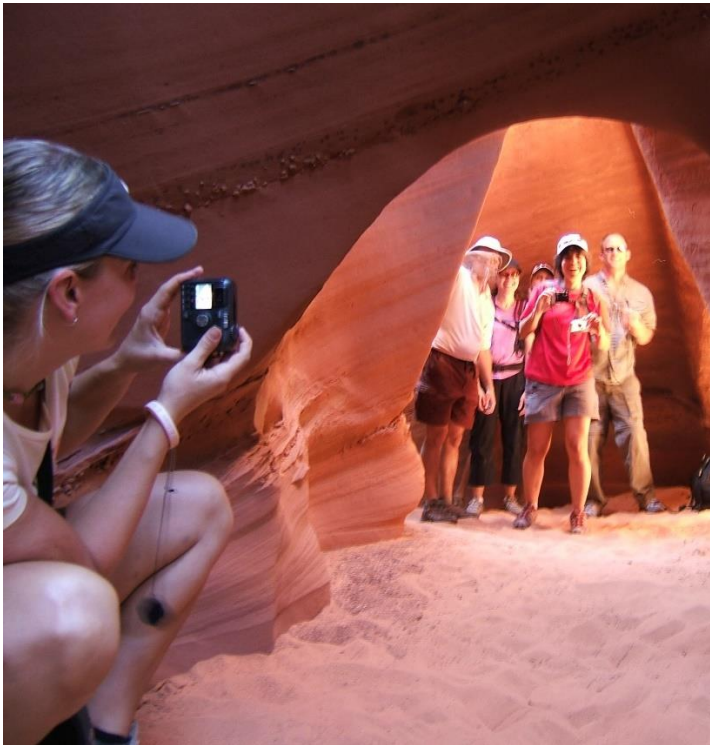
If you haven't traveled with us from Las Vegas or St. George, our tour meets at Ruby's Inn, near Bryce Canyon at 2:30pm. We'll hop in the van for a 90-minute shuttle to Escalante. The meeting will be held at Escalante Outfitters, our base cabin for the next two nights. We will meet our cabin hosts and have dinner, safety orientation, and introductions.

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DAY 2 | Devil's Garden, Old Wagon Trail, Cedar Wash & Hole-in-the-Rock Road

We shuttle back to Hole-In-The-Rock Road and into Devil's Garden National Recreation Area. Get your cameras ready, we'll spend about an hour here exploring the scenic wonderland that makes up Devil's Garden. We'll begin our adventure along Cedar Wash. This 4x4 trail takes us along the base of the Escalante Rim, a fifty-mile bench that will take us to Cedar Arch, Covered Wagon Natural Bridge, and Hole-In-The-Rock Road. Rolling hills, on a lesser traveled jeep road will take us to our hidden lunch spot, Cedar Wash. We'll spend some time here exploring the slick rock bench, testing our echoes and arch hunting. After lunch, we'll descend to the famed Hole-in-the-Rock road. Harris Wash is an outstanding resource area that borders Lake Powell National Recreation Area. We will see an endless array of slickrock and buttes. This area is very remote and is one of our favorite places to enjoy peace and solitude.



Total Biking Mileage | 24 Miles
Hiking | Hiking Devil's Garden
Terrain | 100% Jeep Road, 100% Van Support
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Feet Gain | 951



DAY 3 | The Burr Trail

After a hearty breakfast, we will shuttle into Boulder, Utah, and ride the Burr Trail for 19 miles to the top of Long Canyon. The Burr Trail will take us along Duffy Mesa and on to Rattlesnake Bench. Most of the ride is paved and smooth enough to enjoy the scenery at a good pace. The mix of ups and downs makes this ride a fun workout. Many of our guests have told us that the six-mile ascent is the most beautiful area they've ever seen.

Total Easy Mileage | 10 Miles Feet Gain | 603
Total Moderate Mileage | 19 Miles Feet Gain | 2220
Terrain | 100% Paved Road, 100% Van Support
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DAY 4 | The Wolverine Loop

We will shuttle out to Wolverine Loop along the Burr Trail. This is a rolling ride that lets you enjoy the splendor of the desert at your own pace. The Loop will take us to the Wolverine Petrified Wood Natural Area, where we'll stop for a hike around the many wonderful specimens of petrified wood. We will also see views of Capitol Reef National Park and Waterpocket Fold. This is a fantastic backcountry day on your bike!

Total Easy Mileage | 12 Miles Feet Gain | 654
Total Moderate Mileage | 18.2 Miles Feet Gain | 1087
Total Seasoned Mileage | 40.5 Feet Gain | 3194
Terrain | 100% Jeep Road, 100% Van Support
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DAY 5 | Hike Calf Creek Falls, Peek-a-Boo and Spooky Slot Canyons

We start today with a 6-mile hike at Calf Creek Falls where we will see pictographs left by the Anasazi Indians. We'll also enjoy a cold, refreshing dip in a pool that's fed by a 128-foot waterfall. Next, we'll shuttle out to the Coyote Gulch trailhead. We have a delicious trailside lunch here and talk about our next challenge, Spooky and Peek-a-boo canyons. These two slot canyons are unlike anything you have ever experienced. In some areas, they're so narrow that you'll have to walk sideways to fit through. Most of the hiking is done getting to the slots and from one to the other. We will spend about 1 hour in each one. After our adventure, we'll shuttle back to Escalante Outfitters for the night.

Hiking | 5.15 Miles

Feet Gain | 795

Terrain | Sandy trails, some scrambling, walking through narrow slot canyons.

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DAY 6 | Red Canyon

After breakfast, we will shuttle to Red Canyon, just outside of Bryce. Red Canyon is a spectacular oasis of Pink Claron limestone, nestled into the vast Dixie National Forrest. This is one of our favorite trails! We'll ride right into the canyon, experiencing the hoodoos of the area first hand. We'll have a relaxing lunch after our ride. We will return to Ruby's around 3:00 p.m. and in Las Vegas at approximately 8:00 p.m.

Total Easy Mileage | 8 Miles

Feet Gain | 685

Total Moderate Mileage | 14 Miles

Feet Gain | 706



THE IMPORTANT STUFF

Daily Activities

Day	Activity	Easy		Moderate		Seasoned	
		Miles	Feet Gain	Miles	Feet Gain	Miles	Feet Gain
1	Orientation	Introductions and Orientation					
2	Mountain Biking	24	951				
	Hiking	Hiking Devils Garden					
3	Mountain Biking	10	603	18	2220		
4	Mountain Biking	12	654	18.2	1087	40.5	3194
5	Hiking			5.15	795		
6	Mountain Biking	8	685	14	706		



Mountain Bike Tour Technical Levels

Level	Description
Easy	1 Maintained Gravel Roads, Easy Grades
	2 Level 1 PLUS Unmaintained Dirt Roads, Maintained Singletrack Trail
Moderate	3 Level 2 PLUS Moderate Grades, Some Unmaintained Singletrack
Seasoned	4 Level 3 PLUS Rocky Terrain – PLUS Longer, Steeper Ascents & Descents
	5 Level 4 PLUS Some Exposed Sections Of Trail, Some Loose Climbs & Descents



Mountain Bike Tour Fitness Levels

Level	Hours of Activity	Mountain Biking			Multi-Sport Activities			
		Total Elevation Feet Gain	Mountain Bike Miles	Hiking Miles	Rock Climbing	Canyoneering	Rafting/Canoeing	
Easy	1	1-3	700	5-10	1-5	Low Angle Large Handholds	Hiking/No Ropes	Relaxed, Slow Moving Water
	2	2-4	1200	10-15	5-8	Level 1 PLUS Small Handholds	Level 1 PLUS Occasional Ropes	Level 1 PLUS Easy Rapids Wide Channels
Moderate	3	3-5	1800	15-25	8-10	Level 2 PLUS Steep Angles	Level 2 PLUS Easy Rapels	Level 2 PLUS Waves, Up to 4' Narrow Channels
Seasoned	4	4-6	2200	25-35	10-12	x	Level 3 PLUS Complex Ropes, Multiple Rapels	Level 3 PLUS Long Rapids
	5	5-7	3000	35-50+	12-16+	x	x	Level 4 PLUS Spinning, Large Waves

HOW TO PREPARE

MULTI-SPORT

As an adventurous person, feel free to do whatever you can before the trip. You can leave these specialty sports up to us. Except for biking and hiking, no experience is necessary, just enthusiasm and an open mind ready to try some new adventures. Your level of fitness also affects how much you enjoy your tour. Check your specific itinerary for an idea of your average daily mileage and level of strenuousness, then train appropriately.

MOUNTAIN BIKE

For optimal physical preparation, we recommend that you ride at least several hours per week during the month preceding the tour. During the tour you will be on your bike every day, and we can assure you that an unprepared bottom is a sore one! If you can't ride your bike, or don't own one, take a spin class at your local gym a few times a week.

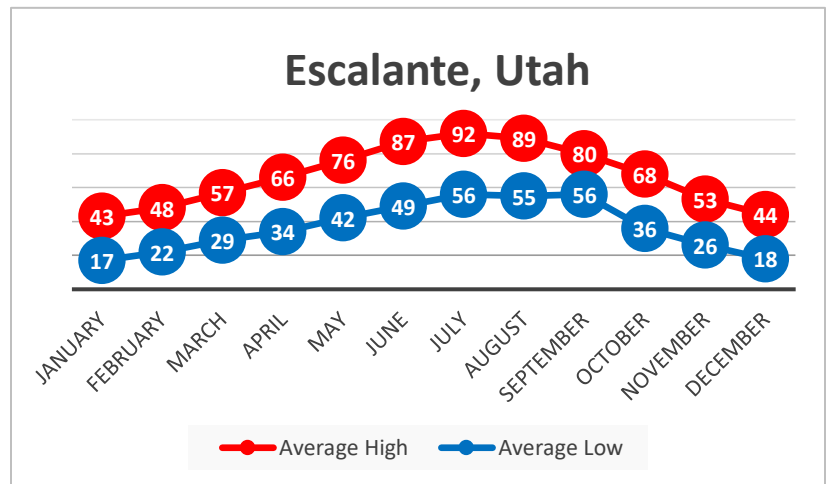


HIKING

To prepare for the tour, we recommend that you hike, jog or run at least several hours per week during the month preceding the tour. Walk/run in the shoes and sock you are bringing on the trip. This will help prevent blisters and sore feet.

WEATHER

Weather predictions in this area are often unreliable due to the elevation, so it is best to be prepared for cold nights and inclement weather. Please use the following locations when checking the weather online: Escalante, UT



PACKING

Luggage is limited to one small soft-shelled suitcase or medium/large sized duffel bag (no heavier than 40 pounds). We also suggest bringing one daypack or small backpack for valuables. Please ensure your luggage container is water repellent.

A complete list of what we consider essentials for every trip, as well as items that can be rented from Escape Adventures, is available at www.escapeadventures.com/packing-lists/

BICYCLES RENTALS

Escape Adventures rents quality bicycles. We will fit you with a high quality, durable and safe ride. Our chosen bike is equipped with an aluminum frame designed for a smooth, comfortable ride. Our mountain bikes are full-suspension, lightweight, equipped with a dropper post and adjustable. Availability of bikes are specific to your destination and should be confirmed in your itinerary. For more information call 800-596-2953.

Specialized Stumpjumper - 29er



The new Stumpjumper is the ultimate trail bike. It's supple over small bumps, yet it possesses a firm mid-stroke and exceptional bottom-out support.

Santa Cruz Tallboy - 29er



The Tallboy muddles the line between XC and trail. The Tallboy climbs almost as well as an XC bike, but shows its true colors when the trail turns downward.

- All bicycle rentals are equipped with flat pedals and a complimentary water bottle.
- Helmet and clipless pedals are available upon request and are included in the rental.
- Please specify your individual needs when confirming your reservation.



Santa Cruz 5010 - 27.5



An agile trail whip that turns on a dime and loves to pop and play. Turning trails into pumpracks the 5010 begs to spend as much time above the ground as on it.

TRIP COST INCLUDES

All meals starting with lunch on the first day through lunch on the last day, Specialized road bike rental, support vehicles, snacks, first-aid, bike maintenance, community gear, and a custom sublimated Limited Edition Jersey.



TRIP COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

Airfare to and from departure point, lodging before or after the tour, personal camping gear (if applicable), or gratuities to Escape Adventures Trip Leaders. Tips to the Trip Leaders are given at your discretion and based on the quality of your experience. We suggest 10-20% of your trip cost to be divided between all Trip Leaders.

MEALS

Our Trip Leaders prepare all of your meals on our camping trips. On inns tours our Trip Leaders prepare all of your picnic style lunches and breakfasts and dinners are served in the best local restaurants.



TRIP AMENITIES

First-class campers will enjoy well-maintained public campgrounds. Inns on this tour are chosen for comfort, scenery, and proximity to our activities. Cell service for this tour is spotty, Verizon is the best service to have for this area.

KEEPING YOU UP TO DATE

We are always seeking opportunities to enhance this itinerary. We'll notify you of any changes prior to departure; other changes may be communicated on the trip by your Trip Leaders.

This is a general itinerary and may vary. Escape Adventures reserves the right to make changes due to weather, local conditions, government intervention, or any other unforeseen reasons that may affect the quality of the trip and/or safety of the participants. Accommodations are subject to change.



ESCALANTE OUTFITTERS

310 W Main St, Escalante, UT 84726

(435) 826-4266

<https://www.escalanteoutfitters.com/>

Escalante Outfitters is a family run business – the Waggoner family moved to Escalante in 2006. Escalante Outfitters is a positive “one stop” vacation destination for visitors exploring the canyons, deserts, and high plateaus of Southern Utah. Whether our guests are eating at our restaurant, staying at our facilities, outfitting for a backpacking trip or having an adventure with one of our guides, we strive to provide our visitors with the resources and knowledge to make their trip safe and memorable. Our aim is to achieve a harmonious and prosperous affinity with our cultural and natural resources by helping others enjoy Southern Utah and by doing our part to give back to the environment through conservation, education and reducing our ecological footprint.

Escalante Outfitters is the starting place for your Grand Staircase – Escalante National Monument or Boulder Mountain (Dixie National Forest Aquarius Plateau) adventure. Escalante Outfitters is located on Scenic Highway 12, 50 miles East of Bryce Canyon National Park. The front yard of Escalante Outfitters is the Grand Staircase – Escalante National Monument which is 1.9 million acres of spectacular scenic, historic (cultural and natural), and scientific resources. Grand Staircase – Escalante National Monument borders Glen Canyon National Recreation Area. The backyard of Escalante Outfitters is Boulder Mountain, a beautiful part of Dixie National Forest filled with lakes and streams, lending to some of the best fly-fishing in the area. The outdoor recreation opportunities from Bryce Canyon to Escalante to Glen Canyon to Boulder Mountain are endless.

FIRST-CLASS CAMPING AT ESCALANTE



There is nothing better than rolling into camp to freshly made chips and salsa, homemade guacamole and Dutch oven enchiladas. Then making your way to the inviting campfire, sharing your favorite anecdote or image from the day's activities while marshmallows roast. Enjoy a small-batch local beer before retiring to your tent where inside a sturdy raised cot, fluffy sleeping bag, and a plush full-size pillow await.

We choose well-maintained public campgrounds with scenic vistas. The majority feature indoor facilities and showers. However, in more remote backcountry camping scenarios, we'll provide portable toilets and private solar showers.

CAMPING GEAR RENTALS - \$100 per camp kit (items are also available a-la-carte)



Camping gear may be rented or you may bring your own. Our camp gear package includes a three-man tent with ground tarp, sleeping bag, bag liner, full size pillow, raised cot and self-inflating ground pad.

GATEWAY CITY: LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

Las Vegas is the 28th-most populated city in the United States. Vegas is an internationally renowned major resort city, known primarily for its gambling, shopping, fine dining, entertainment, and nightlife. It is a top three destination in the United States for business conventions and a global leader in the hospitality industry, claiming more AAA Five Diamond hotels than any other city in the world. Today, Las Vegas annually ranks as one of the world's most visited tourist destinations.



LAS VEGAS AIRPORT



MCCARRAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
5757 Wayne Newton Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89119
(702) 261-5211
www.mccarran.com

LAS is conveniently located close to the popular strip area. McCarran International Airport is the eighth-busiest airport in North America.

ESCAPE ADVENTURES SHUTTLE OPTIONS

Take one of our shuttles from Las Vegas or St. George and get to know your Trip Leaders and fellow tour companions. Call for pricing.

MEETING LOCATIONS

ELEMENT HOTEL
10555 Discovery Dr, Las Vegas, NV 89135
(702) 589-2000
www.elementhotels.com

DESERT GARDEN INN
1450 South, Hilton Dr, St. George, UT 84770
(435) 688-7477
<http://www.desertgardeninn.com/>

DEPARTURE TIME
7:00 AM (PST) on the first day of the tour.

DEPARTURE TIME
10:30 AM (MST) on the first day of the tour.

RETURN TIME
Around 8:00 PM on the last day of the tour.

RETURN TIME
Around 5:30 PM on the last day of the tour.

LAS VEGAS HOTELS



ELEMENT LAS VEGAS SUMMERLIN
10555 Discovery Dr, Las Vegas, NV 89135
(702) 589-2000
<https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/laselelement-las-vegas-summerlin/?scid=bb1a189a-fec3-4d19-a255-54ba596febe2>



BELLAGIO HOTEL AND CASINO
3600 S Las Vegas Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89109
(888) 987-6667
https://bellagio.mgmresorts.com/en.html?icid=GMB_Hotel Bellagio

DEPARTURE CITY: BRYCE CANYON CITY, UTAH

Bryce Canyon City, sometimes shown as Bryce on maps, is a town in Garfield County, Utah, United States, adjacent to Bryce Canyon National Park. The town, formerly known as "Ruby's Inn", was officially incorporated on July 23, 2007 under a short-lived state law. The population was 198 at the 2010 census.



METING AND DEPARTURE INFORMATION

MEETING LOCATION

RUBY'S INN

26 SOUTH MAIN ST, BRYCE CANYON CITY, UT 84764
(435) 834-5341

https://www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.45040.html?iata=00171880&ssob=BLBWI0004G&cid=BLBWI0004G:google:gmb:45040

DEPARTURE TIME

2:30 PM on the first day of the tour.

RETURN TIME

Around 2:30 PM on the last day of the tour



BRYCE CANYON CITY HOTELS



BEST WESERN PLUS BRYCE CANYON GRAND HOTEL

30 N 100 E, Bryce Canyon City, UT 84764
(435) 834-5700

<https://www.bestwestern.com/>



BRYCE CANYON RESORT

13500 E, UT-12, Bryce Canyon City, UT 84764
(435) 834-5351

<https://www.brycecanyonresort.com/>

CANCELLATION POLICY

In order to keep our tours affordable and provide proper notice to our lodging partners, we must adhere to this timeline, no exceptions. After our refund deadline has passed we cannot provide a refund for any reason, including circumstances beyond your control such as weather-related travel delays, family emergency, or injury. There is also no partial refund if you arrive late to your tour, or depart early. Insurance agencies however, offer a full or partial refund in many circumstances if you purchase travel insurance to cover your tour. Payment in full is due 60 days prior to trip departure.

IF YOU CANCEL YOUR TRIP	YOU WILL RECEIVE
Up until 60 days prior to trip departure	100% of what you have paid minus a \$200 processing fee per person
59-45 days prior to trip departure	50% of what you have paid minus a \$200 processing fee per person
45-30 days prior to trip departure	15% of what you have paid minus a \$200 processing fee per person
29-0 days prior trip departure	No Refund

TRAVEL INSURANCE

We strongly encourage you to purchase travel insurance to protect against extenuating circumstances such as illness and injury-believe us, they do come up! We have a special arrangement with TravelGuard insurance so that you may purchase reasonably-priced travel insurance at the same time you place your tour reservation. For a detailed description of the TravelGuard policy we offer, visit our website or call 866-385-4839 and ask about product 007715.

TRANSFER POLICY

If you would like to change to a different tour or departure date after signing up, we will be happy to transfer you on a space available basis up until 60 days prior to your tour. Please provide your transfer request in writing - email is sufficient. Please note, a \$25 transfer fee will be deducted from your previous payments for each transfer, and if you later choose to cancel your tour, the cancellation deadlines will apply to the date of the originally scheduled tour.

TOUR CONFIRMATION

Escape confirms tours 60 days prior to tour departure; prior to this time, tours may be cancelled due to low enrollment. After your tour is confirmed, it will not be cancelled for low-enrollment, but in rare cases may be cancelled due to weather, government intervention, unsafe trail conditions, or any other reason that would affect the quality of the scheduled tour or the safety of its participants. If we are forced to cancel your tour, we will provide a 100% refund and work to add you to another trip that works for you.

TRAVEL PLANS

We advise you to avoid non-refundable flights and other travel arrangements and are not responsible for the costs of such arrangement in the event your tour is cancelled. The travel insurance offered in conjunction with our tours covers the cost of your tour but does not cover additional costs such as travel to and from your tour departure location, and hotel stays prior to or following your tour. Please consider purchasing additional insurance coverage.



SIMILAR TRIPS FROM ESCAPE ADVENTURES

THE MAZE & CATARACT CANYON FAMILY GETAWAYS



- Families with Older Kids
Private Tours and Custom Tours
Solos, Couples & Friends
- Departure: Moab, UT
- Tour Offered: Apr, May, Sep

- Duration: 6 Days
- Lodging: First-Class Camping
- Fitness Level: 2-3
- Technical Level: 2-3
- Elevation Range: 3,000 - 7,000 ft.

The trip winds down wonderfully at bejeweled Lake Powell, its pure blue-green water framed if not dramatically contrasted with rich red cliffs and coves.



NEW MEXICO MULTI-SPORT ADVENTURE FAMILY GETAWAYS AVAILABLE



- Families with Older Kids
Families with Younger Kids
Private Tours and Custom Tours
Solos, Couples & Friends
- Departure: Santa Fe, NM
- Tour Offered: Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep
- Departs On: Sunday

- Duration: 6 Days
- Lodging: First-Class Camping or Casual & Luxury Inns & Restaurants
- Fitness Level: 1-3
- Technical Level: 1-3
- Elevation Range: 7,000 - 10,000 ft.

Mount Wheeler brings the vestiges of 700-year old civilizations into sharp relief. In addition to exploring ancient adobe and cliff-dwelling settlements, we drop into Old Spanish colonials, more modern art colonies, and smart mountain resorts.

