

# Meadow Mountain Ranch



Meadow Mountain Ranch  
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Allenspark, CO 80510



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[Flickr album](#)



## Check-in Procedures

- **Check-in is 3:00 PM (MST)** the first day of your reservation
- **Check-out is 12:00 PM (MST)** the last day of your reservation
- Upon arrival, please follow signs to the site manager's house to check in with the site manager.
- The site manager will show you your site and provide additional information about your stay.
- The site manager will inform you of any fire restrictions or you can call Boulder County at 303-441-4444 on the day of your arrival for current information.
- Please note that due to elevation, temperatures may be cold even during the summer. Plan on checking weather reports for Allenspark before your stay, and pack accordingly.
- For up-to-date information on road conditions, trail conditions, and weather in the area please visit [www.nps.gov/romo/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/romo/index.htm) and select "Alerts" or call Trail Ridge Road Status Line at (970) 586-1222.
- As a reminder—Guests who have reserved Homestead House for Day Use are not allowed to sleep in the building under any circumstances, per Boulder County.

## Parking

- Vehicles may be driven to sites for loading and unloading. No more than one vehicle may be left at the site in case of emergency and for additional storage. Make sure that your vehicle is not blocking the road.
- Additional vehicles must be parked in the main parking lot.
- Check the weather before your arrival, and plan to bring appropriate vehicles. All roads on the property are dirt roads and may require all-wheel or four-wheel drive.
- No RVs are allowed on Girl Scout Property

# Our Sites

## The Lodge

Our lodge at Meadow Mountain Ranch has one large room with tables available for meals and activities and 40 mattresses to sleep on the floor. No linens are provided. Bring your own sleeping bags, sheets and pillows. The kitchen in the lodge is a full industrial kitchen with stoves, oven, walk-in refrigerator and freezer, as well as pots and pans for cooking and place settings for over 100. Plan on bringing disposable necessities for cooking, such as seasoning, tin-foil, and paper towels. The lodge has an indoor bathroom with potable running water and toilets. The supplies in the Lodge are for council sponsored activities only, and may not be used. There are games in the cabinet that may be used, please return when you are finished.



## Tabin Sites



Our tabins are wooden, raised structures with canvas sides. Each tabin has bunk beds with mattresses for sleeping. Guests should bring sleeping bags and pillows. The nights can be cold at Meadow Mountain Ranch even in the summer, so bring extra blankets for sleeping. Each tabin site has a firepit and/or a charcoal grill for outdoor cooking. However, no cooking supplies will be provided. Firewood is provided, and guests are welcome to use any dead wood around the site. Each tabin site has an outdoor latrine, potable water from a spigot and hand-washing stations. Hand washing stations are not to be used for cleaning cooking supplies. Please keep all “smellables” in the bear proof containers, a vehicle, or hang in a bear bag, including food and drinks, cooking supplies and toiletries.

## Tent Sites

Our tent sites are equipped to sleep up to 15 people. Groups are encouraged to bring their own tents; however, you may contact the site manager **before your stay** to see if tents are available. Guests must bring sleeping bags, pillows and sleeping pads. The nights can be cold at Meadow Mountain Ranch even in the summer, so bring extra blankets for sleeping. Each site has a campfire circle for outdoor cooking, outdoor latrines, potable water from a spigot and a hand-washing station. Do not use the hand-washing station for cleaning cooking supplies. Please keep all “smellables” in the bear proof containers, a vehicle or hang in a bear bag, including food and drinks, cooking supplies and toiletries.

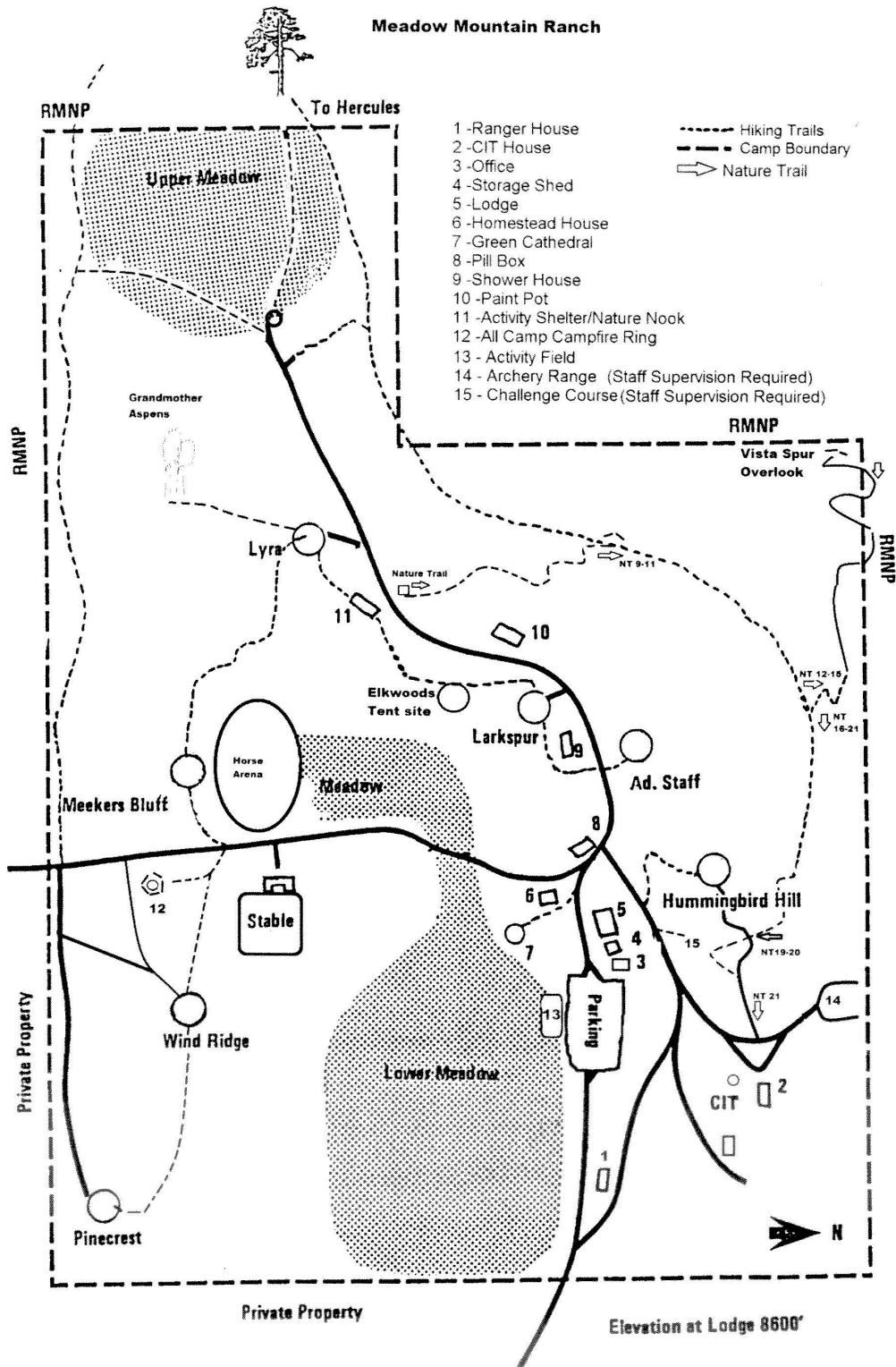


# Safety and First Aid

Guests are responsible for the health and safety of all members of their group. Each group must have at least one person who has taken the Overnight Trips training, and who has read the following safety procedures. Additional safety information can be found in our [Handbook for Site Users](#), including what to do in the case of an emergency.

- Proper adult to girl ratios as found in [Volunteer Essentials](#) should be maintained at all times. Adults must be 18 or older and children must be supervised at all times.
- Adults supervising additional children that are not part of the Girl Scout group, cannot be included as a supervising adult in the adult to girl ratio.
- The group leader is responsible for the supervision and conduct of all group members. The Site Manager or Camp Director, where applicable, cannot take responsibility for children who arrive early or leave late. Every participant must have a health history and a signed consent to treat form carried by their leader. The leader should have a list of all participants on site.
- Each group must have at least one adult who is First Aid/CPR certified, this person is responsible for providing first aid for their group. Each group must bring their own First Aid kit with them, with all supplies that may be needed.
- For large events, the first aid representative from the hosting group can help. Site Managers and Camp Staff living at camp are not responsible for first aid in any circumstances.
- Medications that need to be administered should be managed by the troop leader: be sure to pack anything over the counter you might need, plus anything that parents have given you to administer to their child.
- Keep medications stored in a secure place away from access of any children. Make sure all adults know the location of applicable emergency medications such as epi-pens and inhalers.
- All locked buildings, pastures, barns, sheds, ropes courses, zip lines, and other areas as posted, are off-limits, unless accompanied by a GSCO employee and arrangements are made ahead of time.
- Food should be kept in ice chests, wooden or metal boxes, car trucks, or “bear bags”. Never keep food in tents, tabins, or seasonal units. Animals and insects are attracted to food and garbage and are not deterred by plastic, paper, or fabric.
- Tent campers should choose their area carefully. Make sure all tents are visible from the leader’s tent. Avoid placing tents under trees. Space should be left around each tent to walk without tripping over ropes. Ropes should be marked with cloth strips or foil. Do not trench around tents.
- Use established roads, trails and fire circles. Mountain terrain is delicate and we all share responsibility for preserving it.
- Do not harm, touch, or feed the wildlife. This includes birds and squirrels.
- Prior to camp, review procedures with children of what to do if they become lost or separated from the group.
- Designate a meeting spot at every site you are staying at or visiting.
- If a camper is missing, look in logical places first and be systematic when searching. Get a description of lost camper and search in pairs while keeping sight and sound of each other. Notify the Site Manager/Camp Staff if child is not found in 15 minutes, then call parents and emergency numbers (posted by the phone).
- All guests must carry a flashlight at night.
- Guests should not wear sandals outside of buildings.
- Running is only permitted on playing fields, and should not be done in any other area of the camp.

# Site Map



# Activities

Meadow Mountain Ranch does not have staff-led activities. Guests who are interested in programming are invited to contact the GECCCOs; a Fort Collins troop who are available to run activities. Please contact Robyn Metcalf at [robynmetcalf3@gmail.com](mailto:robynmetcalf3@gmail.com) for more information about availability and prices.

## Property activities

- Archery Range—Group must have a licensed archery instructor. Contact [property.reservations@gscolorado.org](mailto:property.reservations@gscolorado.org) to inquire if the archery set is available to rent and to provide proof of archery license
- Frisbee golf course, game area, and soccer field
  - Contact the Site Manager if you would like to sign out activity equipment (Frisbees, stargazing charts, horseshoes, bean bag toss)
- Homestead House and is available for rent for additional space for crafts and activities
- Multiple hiking trails on property, including hiking into Rocky Mountain National Park directly from Meadow Mountain Ranch
- Nature Trail
  - Guests may check out a nature trail booklet from the Site Manager



The Stanley Hotel



There are a number of activities to do in the area. They include:

- Estes Park—This small town is near Meadow Mountain Ranch and has a number of small shops and restaurants
- Estes Park Aerial Tramway—Ride to the top of Prospect Mountain (Open May 24 to September 1)
- Stanley Hotel—Opened in 1909, this hotel is a historical landmark in Colorado, and also considered one of Colorado's most haunted locations.
- Horseback Riding at local stables:
  - Meeker Park Stables—  
Seasonal: (303) 747-2266
  - Sombrero Moraine Stables—  
May to October: (970) 586-2327
  - Sombrero Estes Park Stables—  
Year-round: (970) 586-4577
- Rocky Mountain National Park—Guests can drive through the park and hike on multiple different trails
- Local fishing in the summer
  - A fishing license is needed to fish in the area. GSCO does not have fishing equipment available for troop use.

## Sharing the Site

We are excited to improve your stay by bringing Girl Scouts together to make new friends and promote the sisterhood of Girl Scouting. There are many sites at Meadow Mountain Ranch, and multiple groups may be on the property at the same time. Other groups may be at the activity shelters or on the trails. Please be respectful of other groups, and refrain from loud music and disruptive behavior. If you plan to use the archery range or Frisbee Golf course, please contact the site manager so that he can set up a schedule for use of these areas. The lodge must be reserved for use and is not available to all groups staying at Meadow Mountain Ranch. If you desire sole access to the property, speak with the Property and Outdoor Program Administrator regarding reserving the whole property for your stay.

## Partnerships & Programs

Meadow Mountain Ranch participates in the following programs at all times:

- Zero Waste—Trash, Recycle, and Compost
  - Visit [www.bouldercounty.org/environment/sustainability/waste-services/zero-waste/](http://www.bouldercounty.org/environment/sustainability/waste-services/zero-waste/) for more information
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife—Keep Bears Wild
  - The camp utilizes bear proof containers at each site for trash disposal
- Rocky Mountain National Park—Leave No Trace™
  - Groups must be aware of Leave No Trace™ policies and other park regulations for permits, trail access, etc.
  - For more information, visit: [www.nps.gov/romo/getinvolved/supportyourpark/leavenotrace.htm](http://www.nps.gov/romo/getinvolved/supportyourpark/leavenotrace.htm) and [rmnp.com/RMNP-Things-BackCountry.HTML](http://rmnp.com/RMNP-Things-BackCountry.HTML)
  - For RMNP information, road and trail conditions and weather, visit [www.nps.gov/romo/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/romo/index.htm) and select “alerts” or call (970) 586-1222

## Clean-Up

Girl Scouts should be sure to leave places cleaner than they found them. All guests must clean their sites before leaving.

- Upon check-in the site manager will give you details as to cleaning requirements and the location of cleaning supplies. All instructions from the site manager must be followed.
- All trash must be removed from the site. There is a Dumpster behind the lodge or trash can be packed out. Be sure to place all trash completely inside the Dumpster and close it securely so as to not attract wildlife. Guests are encouraged to both recycle and compost; be sure that each can has a plastic trash bag before putting compost or recyclables inside.
- Tabin and Tent Sites
  - Guests must clean the latrines, tabins, grounds, and remove all ashes out of the fire pit
- Lodge
  - All tables and chairs must be put away and all mattresses stacked
  - Bathrooms must be wiped down and cleaned
  - Floors must be swept and mopped
  - Kitchen should be cleaned, with all dishes washed and sanitized, and all trash removed

## Check-Out

Cars may be brought from the main parking lot to the sites for loading, if necessary. Be sure that everything has been removed from your site, and that your group has followed “Leave No Trace” standards. Please check-out with the site manager before leaving at the site manager’s house.

# Driving Directions

From Denver/Colorado Springs:

1. Take I-25 North
2. Take exit 243 toward Estes Park/Rocky Mountain National Park
3. Turn left onto Highway 66 West
4. In Lyons, Colorado turn left onto CO-7 W/5th Ave toward Allenspark
5. Continue on CO-7 W for 19 miles, at mile marker 14 turn left onto Clarabell Lane
6. Watch for white and green Meadow Mountain Ranch (MMR) sign on the left, turn left on dirt road CO Highway 1201 and continue on dirt road into the camp

# Road Map

