Welcome! We are glad you are here. Please let us know how we can make your visit more enjoyable.

LEGEND Telephone First Aid Restrooms Water Dispenser Ice Machine

All days and times may vary during special events.

FRONT DESK  Monday—Saturday 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Seasonal hours will vary.

CHECK-IN AFTER 3:00 PM  CHECK-OUT TIME 10:00 AM
Please help us prepare for our next guests by stripping your bed, putting linens and towels in the pillowcase and placing the basket outside your door.

QUIET HOURS  10 PM – 7 AM
Voices and sounds carry farther than you expect. Please be considerate of your fellow guests and observe these quiet hours.

WELCOME CENTER  Find information on ranch activities, scavenger hunt and loca attractions. Restrooms available.

GUEST MEALS SERVED IN THE DINING HALL
Breakfast 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM  $9
Lunch 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM  $12
Dinner 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM  $14

THINGS TO KNOW

ALTITUDE  Ghost Ranch sits at 6,500 feet. At this altitude, some folks may experience varying degrees of exhaustion, dizziness or chest pains if not acclimated. To minimize the symptoms, pace yourself, increase water intake and reduce caffeine. Use sunscreen and wear a hat.

MAIL & MESSAGES  Drop outgoing mail at the Front Desk. Incoming mail/messages are posted in the Welcome Center or given to your coordinator. Emergency messages will be hand-delivered to you. Stamps are available for purchase at the Trading Post and the Front Desk.

HOUSEKEEPING & MAINTENANCE REQUESTS  Make requests at the Front Desk for housekeeping and maintenance needs. Pick up old blankets for outdoor use and exchange linens during the week at Housekeeping (Aspen).

LAUNDRY  Self-service, coin-operated laundry facilities are located at Tumbleweed, Coyote, Staff House, Poplar, Casitas and Campground.

ENERGY & WATER CONSERVATION  Turn all lights off in rooms when they are not in use. During winter, please close windows and doors when leaving your room and monitor the thermostat to conserve heat. Use water wisely.

LIBRARY  Open 24-hours a day, the Library features a Children’s Room and extensive collections in Southwest Studies and Religion, daily newspapers are also available.

LAYOUT, KARESAN SUI (ZEN GARDEN), WATER-WHEEL
On the path between the Social and Art Centers.

PACK MEMORIAL  This path climbs the mesa behind Ghost House offering a nice view of the ranch. A plaque honors Arthur and Phoebe Pack who gave Ghost Ranch to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in 1953. This is a steep, quick 5 to 15 minute walk.

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES  Challenge courses, canoeing, kayaking and paddle boarding on Abiquiu Lake are offered seasonally. Prices vary depending on the group size. Contact Outdoor Adventures.

TRAILS & HIKING

PLEASE STAY ON MARKED TRAILS FOR YOUR SAFETY
Edges of rock formations are composed primarily of soft easily disintegrating sandstone and gypsum. PRACTICE LEAVE NO TRACE PRINCIPLES. Call 911 if you are in trouble on a trail. Check in at the Welcome Center office before and after hiking. Wear hiking boots, sunscreen and carry plenty of water. Be aware that snakes, although rare and mostly harmless, do live here. **Some trails leave Ghost Ranch property onto US Forest Service land.

1. CHIMNEY ROCK  The trailhead is located behind the Museum, past the Corral Block complex. Cross the arroyo and follow the trail up the ridge. From the top there is an excellent view of the Piedra Lumbre basin. The trail climbs from 6,500 to 7,100 feet. (Round trip - 3 miles, 1 ½ - 2 hrs)

2. MESA TRAIL  Begins at the top of the road behind the main office building at the Pack Memorial trail. This short walk of 30-45 minutes offers good overviews of the ranch as well as distant views of Pedernal and Polvadera.

3. ON A LARK TRAIL  Short and sweet with spectacular views, the trail begins at the top-most end of the upper mesa. Begin on any mesa access route or follow a narrow ridge for ½ mile then switch back up the broader mesa following the cairns (rock piles) to a large boulder at the ridge’s high point (3/4 miles at 6,800 feet). Some route return.

CAMPOSANTO WALL  This sacred place is dedicated to the memory of those who have loved Ghost Ranch. It is an enduring testament to the generations whose lives have been enriched here. Follow the Box Canyon trail until you reach the Camposanto sign. At the opening, immediately turn left and walk for approximately 100 yards.

7. **BOX CANYON - TI’BU’U’U Continue past the Kitchen Mesa trail, the hogans and the upper irrigation pond. Follow trail signs up the canyon crossing the arroyo multiple times. Where the trail and canyon forks, stay right. The trail ends at a recent rock fall, and large pool just beyond it. The box of the canyon is visible through the trees ahead. This hike follows a gently uphill grade from 6,400 to 6,900 feet. (Round trip - 4 miles).

8. **KITCHEN MESA  Go right toward the Coalophysis Quarry. Note: the trail goes behind Kitchen Mesa then it ascends to the top. This more difficult hike includes a 15-foot chimney through a cleft in the cliff. The 3-4 hour trip climbs from 6,500 to 7,100 feet. (Round trip - 5 miles).

9. **MATRIMONIAL & CLIFFSIDE TRAILS  Choose one of two starting points, then set on a moderate climb path with spectacular views of the ranch, Orphan Mesa and Piedra Lumbre basin. This trail transports you off ranch and into the rolling red mounds at the base of the sandstone cliffs seen from the road. Begin at the trailhead on the entry road to the ranch across from the High Ropes Course or the trailhead (Cliffside) behind Staff House near the Dining Hall.

GUEST INFORMATION

CAMPFIRES  There is a fee for firewood. With prior approval, fires are allowed in designated areas only. Please do not leave fires unattended. Be sure to extinguish fire completely.

MAGICAL大陸 & PALEONTOLOGY MUSEUMS  Monday—Saturday 9:00 AM—5:00 PM; Sunday 1:00—5:00 PM

TELEPHONES  DIAL “911” for life-threatening events; Front Desk DIAL “0”

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CAMPFIRE SAFETY TIPS
• Build a fire in a campfire ring with a dead flat and substantial surface.
• At night, build a fire under an open sky. Maintaining an open sky can help contain the fire.
• Be sure to extinguish fire completely.

PETS  Day visitors/hikers can have pets on a leash. Pets are NOT allowed in lodging rooms or buildings but may camp in RV’s. Assistance dogs are allowed with prior notice.

PLANTS & FLOWERS
There are NO flowers in guest rooms. An outside line can be accessed from all public ranch phones by dialing “5” Cell phone reception is best near the Welcome Center, on the mesa or at the ranch entrance near the cabin.

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