Camping

Enchanted Rock and Colorado Bend SP

Registration closes November 19 at 12pm.



Schedule

Monday November 22

5:30PM: Required Pre-Trip Meeting at the Outdoor Adventure Center

Wednesday November 24

2:45PM – Meet at OAC and Load personal equipment

3PM – Depart from Rice (be punctual, holiday traffic dictates our travel!)

PM– Dinner* enroute

8:00PM – ETA at Enchanted Rock

PM – Relax and Camp

Thursday November 25

Day Hiking @ E Rock

Friday November 26

9 AM: Depart for Colorado Bend

Day Hiking at Colorado Bend **Saturday November 27**

7 AM – Optional AM Hike

12 AM – Depart for Rice University

5 PM – ETA at Rice University

Dinner – Be prepared for a dinner stop according to traffic.

We will do our best to arrive back at Rice between 5 and 6pm but holiday traffic can change plans quickly.

This Thanksgiving spend some time in good outdoor company as ROPE is heading to the Texas icon Enchanted Rock and Colorado Bend State Parks. Led by our program director, this trip will take a relaxed pace as we explore the trails of both parks, enjoy some camp cooked meals, and generally take life a slower pace. Of course, there will be a special backpacker version of the Thanksgiving meal! Trip registration covers transportation, meals on trail, outdoor gear, and associated recreation fees. This trip is open to participants of all skills and experience levels.

This is a preliminary Trip itinerary and is subject to change. Final itineraries will be posted as trip dates approach.

<u>Gear List for Overnight Camping Trips – Cool Weather</u>

Please dress & pack appropriately for this trip. Make sure to bring everything listed below to ensure a comfortable and successful outdoor trip!

All gear that is listed as provided must still be rented out by each participant at the pre-trip meeting or some other time arranged with the trip leaders. There is no fee for this rental.

Essential Items ROPE Provides:

- Sleeping Bag
- Sleeping Pad
- Bowl & Personal Utensils
- Headlamp
- Tents
- Cooking Equipment
- Meals on Trail

Optional yet recommended

- ☐ Camera (H2O protection encouraged)
- □ Journal & Pen
- □ Cards/Game
- ☐ Favorite Snack Foods
- ☐ Camp shoes (lightweight; e.g. sandals)
- □ Sun hat
- □ Camelback water bladder
- □ Sunglasses
- □ Bandana(s)
- □ Warm Gloves
- ☐ Small and lightweight hand towel

Necessary Personal Items

- □ 1 pair of <u>Hiking shoes or sturdy</u> sneakers
- ☐ Medications (for allergies, etc.) You Must inform us if you take any medications.
- □ Backpack for day hikes
- □ 2-3 synthetic T-shirts
- □ 1-2 synthetic pair of pants (NO jeans)
- □ 1 pair of synthetic shorts
- □ 1 hooded rain jacket
- □ 1-2 insulating long-sleeve shirt
- □ 0-1 insulating pants
- □ 1 warm insulating fleece/jacket
- □ 2-3 pairs of hiking socks (synthetic or wool)
- □ 4-5 pairs of underwear
- □ 1 Warm Hat
- ☐ Personal Toiletries (Toothbrush, etc.)
- □ 2 bottles for water (2 liters total)
- \square Money for meals on the road.

It is not necessary for you to purchase a lot of expensive equipment; many items listed above you may already own. Items that you choose to purchase may be available at low cost from mail order suppliers or your local outdoor specialty shop. Our major concern is that all participants have appropriate equipment for a safe and comfortable experience.

If you are unsure whether an item or clothing you own is appropriate for this trip, please contact us prior to the trip or bring the item/clothing to the pre-trip meeting.

Please leave jewelry and other non-essentials at home.

These requirements are for the safety and comfort of participants. ROPE reserves the right to refuse involvement in the program to anyone not properly equipped.

Alcohol, tobacco, and recreational drugs will *not* be tolerated on any trips led by ROPE. If you have such items, do *not* bring them!