

A LAZY H OUTFITTERS Choteau, Montana

A Unique Wilderness Experience in the Secluded Heart of the West...

We look forward to having you join us on a spectacular summer horse pack trip in the most remarkable country in North America. The Bob Marshall Wilderness is the second largest wilderness area in the continental US which affords you many options to explore and spend time on great outdoors activities simply unavailable anywhere else. You have the choice of many different trip schedules which emphasize various primary activities including fishing, riding, and sight seeing. The travel days are filled with adventure as you travel from campsite to campsite seeing new and exciting country. On days when you don't travel there are many activities which are often limited only by your imagination. You may have the opportunity to go on a short day ride, hike up a mountain, fish the trout filled streams, or just lounge around camp.

Summer Horse Packing Trip Schedule 2017

Trip 1 – SPRINGTIME IN THE MOUNTAINS 7 days OPEN June 26 - July 2

Spring time in the mountains is a colorful event. The mountain peaks will be covered with snow and the country will be a lush green. We will stay at several campsites along the Sun River. Among the highlights of this trip are Route Creek Pass, Biggs Creek Pass, and the vast open meadows of the upper Sun River. This trip is the best of all the trips for seeing big game wildlife. We can see elk, goats, moose, and bear this time of year before the summer's heat and more visitors disperse them to higher ground. The countryside at this time is resplendent in natural color with most of the wildflowers in full bloom.

Trip 2 – UPPER SUN RIVER 5 days OPEN July 7 - 11

This trip visits one or two campsites on the upper Sun River and focuses on the abundant riding and scenic opportunities. Depending on your interests, we can take several day hikes, day rides or even try the early fishing possibilities. This trip often doesn't move from one camp, but it's possible to do two camps if the group is so inclined. The options range from visiting a fire lookout tower perched atop a mountain peak (day ride) to riding through the lush valleys and hidden meadows along the river bottoms.

Trip 3 – NORTH FORK FISHING 5 days OPEN July 14 – 18

This trip is designed for the fishing enthusiast. We will either stay at our beautiful Gates Park campsite on the North Fork of the Sun River. There are excellent fishing opportunities from either camp. The North Fork is about ¼ mile from camp, and on this part of the river you won't see too many other fishermen. There are also many non fishing activities possible from this campsite. These include possible day rides to the Chinese Wall & Sock Lake, Bear Top Lookout, or easy and relaxing rides along the Sun River.

Trip 4 – FORKS OF THE SUN RIVER July 22 - 28

7 days

OPEN

This trip follows the Sun River from the upper North Fork to the South Fork. You visit three different campsites. This country is quite open and offers great day riding as well as superb fishing. There is excellent fishing at each campsite and we stay at each campsite for a day to allow as much opportunity to explore and fish as possible. The rides from each campsite are generally pretty easy and the views along the broad valley of the Sun are fantastic. For the non-fisherman, there are excellent opportunities for riding to some interesting spots, as well as probably the best day hiking of all of our summer trips.

Trip 5 – FORKS OF THE SUN RIVER

7 days

OPEN

July 28 – August 3

This trip is the reverse of the previous trip – from the South Fork of the Sun River to the upper North Fork to the Sun. You visit three different campsites. This country is quite open and offers great day riding as well as superb fishing. There is excellent fishing at each campsite and we stay at each campsite for a day to allow as much opportunity to explore and fish as possible. The rides from each campsite are generally pretty easy and the views along the broad valley of the Sun are fantastic. For the non-fisherman, there are excellent opportunities for riding to some interesting spots, as well as probably the best day hiking of all of our summer trips.

Trip 6 -CHINESE WALL TRIP

7 days

OPEN

August 7 – August 13

This trip explores the Chinese Wall by riding along it and opportunities to spend a day up close to the Wall exploring. This is a great scenery trip with some limited fishing opportunities. We visit several different campsites. The majority of the time is spent in the high country. Just about every day offers outstanding views. The day we ride along the Wall is easily the most scenic of any single day on our summer trip schedule. While the Chinese Wall is the highlight of the trip, the lower Sun River valley and the upper reaches of the Continental Divide near the Wall are spectacular as well.

Trip 7 – GATES PARK / SUN RIVER

5 days

OPEN

August 16 – August 20

This trip is the last fishing trip on the legendary Sun River for the season. The North Fork is about ¼ mile from camp, and on this part of the river a person won't see too many other people while on the river. The dry fly fishing this time of year is just exception with a lot of terrestrial activity. There are also many non-fishing activities possible from this campsite. These include day rides to the Chinese Wall and Sock Lake, Bear Top Lookout, or easy and relaxing rides along the Sun River.

Trip 8 – MIDDLE FORK FLATHEAD

7 days

OPEN

August 24 – August 30

This is a traveling trip which starts on the east side and crosses over the Continental Divide and spends most of the trip on the upper reaches of the Middle Fork of the Flathead River and its tributaries. You visit multiple campsites. This country is quite open and offers great day riding as well as occasional fishing opportunities. While this trip is not targeted towards fly fishing, if there group has that interested we can slightly modify our campsites to provide additional opportunity. Each campsite affords much opportunity to explore. The rides from each campsite are longer than the Sun River trips as the Middle Fork is a more rugged valley.

This is our 2017 tentative schedule. If you see a trip you are interested in and are wondering about the different opportunities on the trip, give us a call. These descriptions are very limited and we can elaborate on the fishing, riding, and hiking more if you give us a call.

All of our trips take place on National Forest lands. We are permitted and bonded by the federal government to operate on the Lewis & Clark and Flathead National Forests under outfitter license #558