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TREKS

PACIFIC NORTHWEST DISCOVERY

SUMMER 2021



Join us on this 10-day trip for middle schoolers who are looking for their first foray into the outdoors. This trip is packed with adventure! A day hike on day two will help our community form as we get to know each other among beautiful scenery. Then it's off for a three-day backpack and canoe trip in North Cascades National Park. We'll spend two days kayaking atop calm waters in the San Juan archipelago, then gear up for a summit hike on 5,344-foot Mt. Pilchuck. We'll finish our trip with a thrilling rafting trip down the Wenatchee River—one of our all-time favorite activities.



CURRENT GRADES
6TH–7TH

LENGTH
10 DAYS

“Best gift you can give your kid! They grow so much in that short period, and they make so many friends from all over... so worth it! Daniel had a blast and is still missing his group and instructors.” *Debora Ebner, parent from Miami, FL*

ACTIVITIES



Canoeing



Hiking



Mountain summit

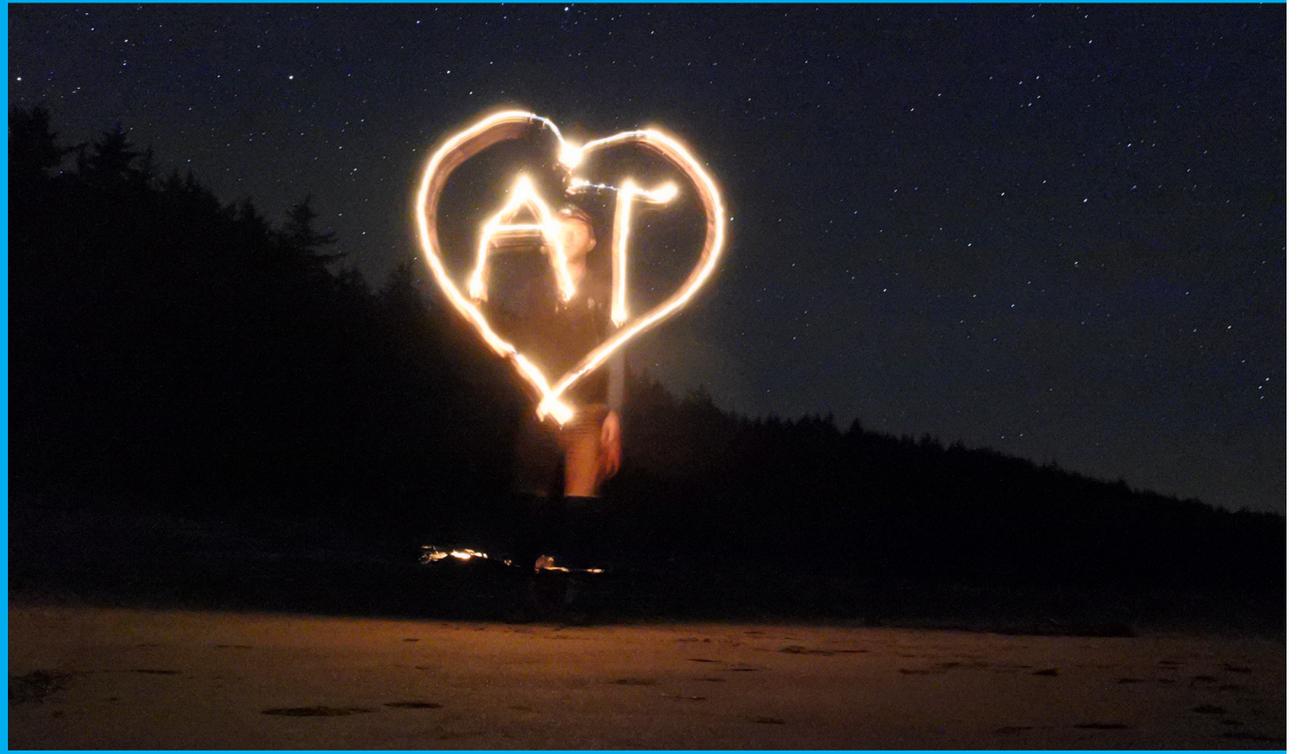
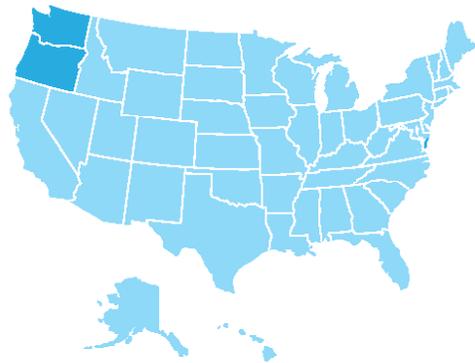


Kayaking



Whitewater rafting

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DAY 1

ARRIVAL

Fly or drive into Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) and meet your group and instructors! Once all students and their luggage have arrived, we'll drive up to our campsite in the North Cascades, where we'll have our delicious "Yahoo!" dinner (chicken, steak, veggie burgers, cheesy mashed potatoes, and fruit salad) and spend our first night playing games and getting to know each other.

DAY 2

DAY HIKE

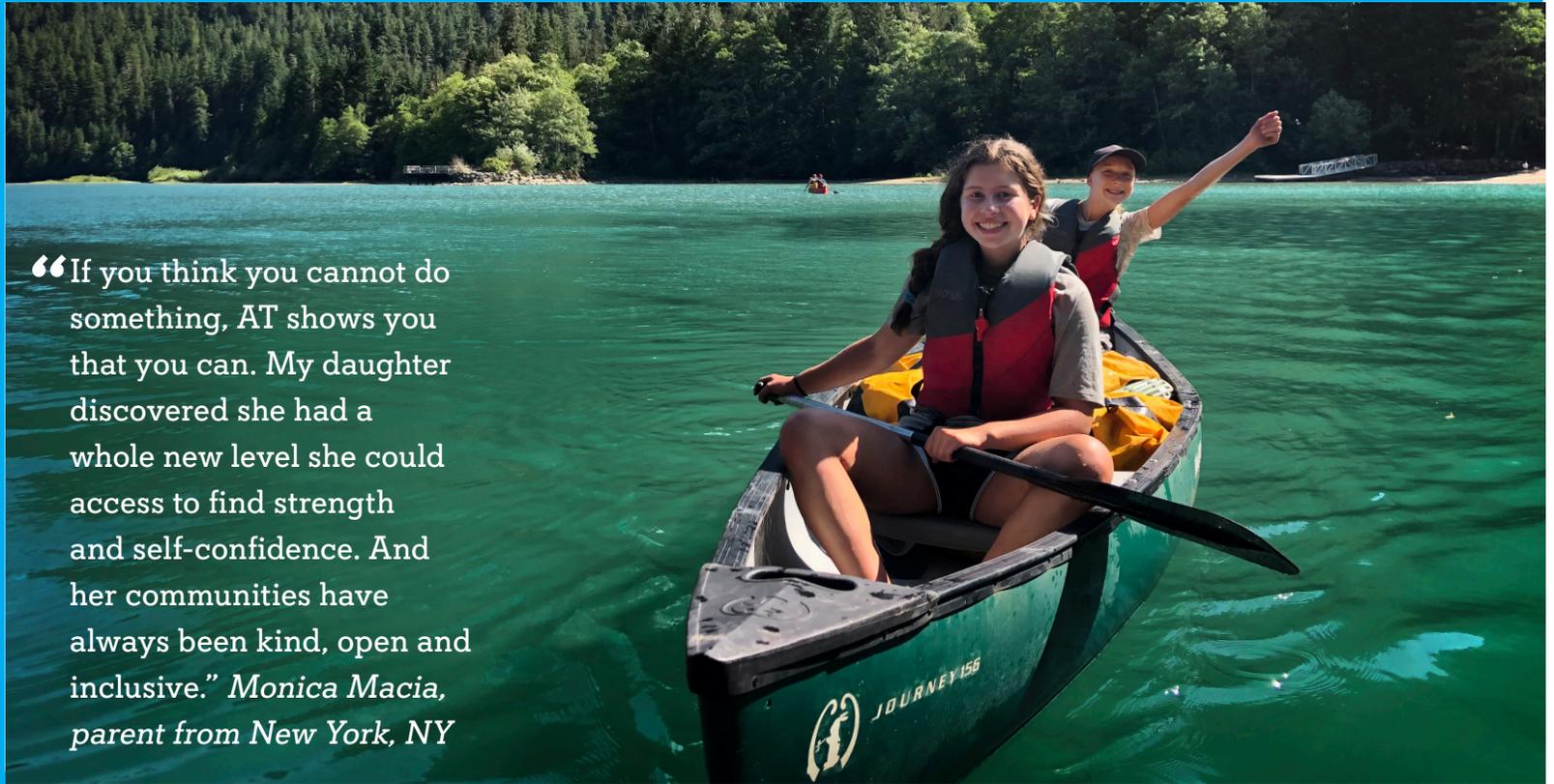
After a student-cooked breakfast, we'll head out to Pyramid Lake, a tranquil pool home to floating log "gardens" (housing many mini ecosystems) and peaceful waterlilies. Don't forget to stop and smell the wildflowers scattered amid the lush, green, old-growth forest. If you look really closely at the water, you may find the sundew, an omnivorous plant that likes to snack on insects!

DAYS 3-5

BACKPACK AND CANOE IN NORTH CASCADES NATIONAL PARK

Hike for two days through glaciers framed by gigantic Fraser fir trees and cascading rivers. The incredibly lush landscape offers multiple opportunities to marvel at its biodiversity, and with a little bit of luck, you might even spot a few sunbathing marmots, mule deer or black-tailed deer, and mountain goats scrambling up rock faces! Then trade your backpack for oars as you canoe on Ross Lake's striking turquoise waters, looking up at the surrounding soaring peaks.





“If you think you cannot do something, AT shows you that you can. My daughter discovered she had a whole new level she could access to find strength and self-confidence. And her communities have always been kind, open and inclusive.” *Monica Macia, parent from New York, NY*

DAYS 6-7

KAYAK IN THE SAN JUAN ISLANDS

Spend two days of sea kayaking among the stunning San Juan archipelago—known for having the largest concentration of bald eagles in the country! You’ll glide through calm waters with your guide pointing out harbor seals, sea lions, river otters, and porpoises. If you’re lucky, you may even see an Orca. Gaze east for gorgeous long-range views of Glacier Peak, Mt. Baker, Mt. Shuksan; On a clear day, you can see all the way to Mt. Rainier!

DAY 8

CLIMB MT. PILCHUCK

One of the most rewarding summit hikes in Washington awaits! Perched atop a rocky outcropping is a restored fire lookout shelter—the perfect spot for the celebratory summit Snickers you just earned. This 5,344-foot peak affords unending views of the snowy Cascades to the east, and the Puget Sound to the west. On a clear day, you may see all the way to Mt. Baker and Mt. Rainier!

DAY 9

WHITEWATER RAFT THE WENATCHEE RIVER

Navigate big and fun rapids on the Wenatchee through Leavenworth, stopping only to jump in swimming holes and start splash wars. The waves are dramatic, but they’re also accessible to students of all capabilities!

TRAVEL INFO

**Arrive and depart
from Portland, OR**



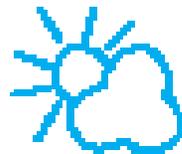
PDX

*Please do not book flights until your child has been officially accepted and enrolled on the Pacific Northwest Discovery trip. However, if you'd like to look up flight options, all students need to arrive to PDX between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. the first day of the trip, and depart PDX between 6 a.m. and 1 p.m. the last day of the trip.

“Adventure Treks is amazing! My son loved the entire experience and can't wait to go again. The program is extremely well-run. For parents, the office staff made the whole process a pleasure. Every interaction I had with them was superb! For the kids, it was the trip of a lifetime.”
*Heather Schwartz,
parent from
Horsham, PA*



TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE ADVENTURE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE FAMILY. Our instructors will be eagerly awaiting each of our students' arrivals at the Portland International Airport. We try our best to meet every student as they walk off the plane, but in the rare event we are unable to, we will call and text your child to guide them to a meeting place. Students call home as soon as they meet with our instructors and gather their baggage.



WEATHER INFO

While we generally enjoy warm temperatures and sunny skies in the Pacific Northwest, weather can change quickly. We'll likely see highs in the lower 80s and lows in the upper 50s, though it may be warmer or chillier than that. It typically rains very little in the Pacific Northwest in the summer. However, one ill-prepared person can negatively affect the safety and fun of the whole group, so please come prepared.

LOGISTICS



DATES

8/3/21 – 8/12/21

PRICE

\$2,495

INCLUDED IN TUITION:

- » All food and lodging
- » All group and technical equipment (tent, sleeping bag, sleeping pad, backpacking pack, mess kit, etc.)
- » Guided activities

NOT INCLUDED IN TUITION:

- » Trip insurance
- » Airfare to and from
- » Personal clothing and items

“Adventure Treks offers a good blend of challenge out of your comfort zone with nurturing support. My son had an adventure he will always remember and take pride in. I love how he discovered he can rise to the challenge and be able to appreciate the beauty of our natural surroundings on a deeper personal level.” *Cheryl Bader, first-year parent from Stamford, CT*



READY TO SIGN UP? THERE ARE THREE WAYS:

- » APPLY ONLINE AT [ADVENTURETREKS.COM/ENROLL](https://adventuretreks.com/enroll)
- » CALL US AT 888-954-5555
- » OR EMAIL DIRECTOR AMANDA FOX-MCGLASHAN AT AMANDA@ADVENTURETREKS.COM



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