

## **TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE WIND RIVER RANGE**

Wind River Range trips and classes operate out of our Jackson headquarters, which is located in the south part of Jackson at 1325 S. Highway 89, Suite 104 and shares a parking area with Smith's. Our phone number is (800) 239-7642 or (307) 733-4979. Most trips and classes will meet at this office for gear checks, preparation, and classes. The Jackson Hole airport is the closest, but Idaho Falls (a 2 - 2.5 hour drive) is a cheaper option and Salt Lake City (4 - 5 hour drive) are also air travel options. It is helpful to arrive a couple of days prior to your trip/class in order to acclimatize. Otherwise, you should arrive the day before and stop by our office for an equipment check. Do not plan on traveling the day after a significant climb - you will be tired and there are no guaranteed times when we will return to the trailhead. Plan on having accommodations for the night prior to and the night you return from a significant climb. There are a plethora of hotels, motels, and bed and breakfasts in Jackson and the surrounding area. Accommodations near our office make your transitions convenient. It is highly advisable to make reservations as early as possible.

## **AIR TRAVEL**

Throughout the summer and winter, there are regular flights to Jackson Hole from Denver, Salt Lake City, Chicago, Dallas/Ft. Worth, and Minneapolis. We suggest making your flight reservation as soon as possible. If flights are sold out or too expensive, your options include flying into Idaho Falls, Salt Lake City, Bozeman, or Cody and renting a car. Idaho Falls is the closest option, just two hours away. Otherwise, Salt Lake City, Bozeman, and Cody are all about a five-hour drive from Jackson. Also, the Salt Lake Express provides daily shuttle service from Salt Lake City and Idaho Falls.

## **ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE DATES**

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## **LOCAL TRANSPORTATION**

Please plan on providing your own transportation. Jackson Hole Mountain Guides does not provide transportation services but it is often possible to arrange car pools with other clients and the guide. Car rental, bus and taxi services are available.

## **DIRECTIONS TO JACKSON HOLE OFFICE**

From the airport, (north of town) drive south on Highway 89. Follow Highway 89 through Jackson. You'll take a right at the lights at the town square with antler arches and from this point stay on Hwy 89 for another 2.5 miles approximately. Turn into the Smith's parking lot on your right. We are in the offices on the north side of the parking lot.

From south of town, drive north on Highway 89. When you reach the first stoplights which are at High School Rd., take a left and then an immediate right to enter the Smith's parking lot. We are located in the offices on the north side of the parking lot.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

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Amangani	307.734.7333		SSSS
Anglers Inn	307.733.3682	(800)867.4667	\$
Antler Inn	307.733.2535	(800)522.2406	\$
Best Western Inn @JH	307.733.2311		SS
Best Western Lodge @JH	307.739.9703		SS
Buckrail Lodge	307.733.2079		\$
Cache Creek Motel	307.733.7781	(800)843.4788	\$
Cottages @Snow King	307.733.3480		SS
Cowboy Village	307.733.3121	(800)962.4988	SS
Days Inn	307.733.0033	(800)329.7466	\$
Four Seasons	307.732.5000		SSSS
Grand Victorian Lodge	307.739.2294		SS
Hampton Inn	307.733.0033		SS
Homewood Suites	307.739.0808	(800)callhome	SS
Jackson Hole Lodge	307.733.2992		SS
<b>Motel 6</b>	<b>307.733.1620</b>		<b>\$</b>
Painted Buffalo	307.733.4340		\$
Ranch Inn	307.733.6363	(800)348.5599	\$
Rustic Inn and Cabins	800.323.8279		SS
Rusty Parrot Lodge	307.733.2000		SSS
Snake River Lodge & Spa	307.732.6000		SSS
Snow King Resort	307.733.5200	(800)522.5464	SS
Spring Creek Ranch	307.733.8833		SS
<b>Super 8 Motel</b>	<b>307.733.6833</b>		<b>\$</b>
Teton Mountain Lodge & Spa	307.734.7111	(800)801.6615	SS
Virginian Lodge	307.733.2792	(800)262.4999	SS
Wort Hotel	307.733.2190		SS

## **CAMPING**

There are numerous places to camp, including two Bridger-Teton Forest campgrounds, Cozy and Hoback on the Hoback River between Jackson and Pinedale; many of our Gannett Peak climbers camp at the Trail's End campground right at Elkhart Park road. They are all around \$10-15/night, have potable water, and are first come, first served.

## **AMENITIES**

Most west side trips choose to utilize horsepackers to ferry supplies past Island Lake. Porters are available for both west and east side trips. Contact our office to arrange either of these services.

There is a two-map set for the Wind Rivers published by Earthwalk Press that is quite good: our rock climbing courses are on the Southern quad, and Gannett and the Titcomb Basin peaks are on the Northern quad. These maps can be found at local shops or ordered online at Wild Iris Mountain Sports. The Joe Kelsey book, *Climbing and Hiking in the Wind River Mountains*, is a useful guidebook if you'd like to learn more about the area.

Remember, the Wind Rivers are quite remote and one must have everything one needs by the time we depart. The drinking water needs to be treated, either with iodine pills or filters. Cell phones generally have poor coverage, with the exception of the summit! We practice Leave No Trace camping, hiking, and climbing techniques to leave the wilderness areas as pristine as we found them. We follow safe bear camping practices in order to avoid any potential conflict.