

Troop 48 BSA – Trip Information

Outing: Aug. 26-27, 2023 GRAYSON HIGHLANDS, MT ROGERS NATL RECREATION AREA, VA

Date and Key Times:

Assemble @ CHPC:	7:00 AM	Aug. 26, 2023	Saturday
Return to CHPC	7:00 PM	Aug. 27, 2023	Sunday

I. Adult Leader Needs: **Sign up (T48.org)**

*Sign up online by Tues. Aug. 22, 2023

*Provide transportation to and from Hickory Ridge Campground, Grayson Highlands State Park, VA (approx. 170 miles round trip)

*Space is limited to 30 truck-in campers and 16 backpackers (looking for 7 to 8 drivers, 25 youth)

*Provide oversite for camping, hiking, backpacking, LNT with the Troop

II. Costs:

Item	Scout	Adult/Guest	Due By	Pay To
Camping Fee	\$12	\$12	At Registration	Treasurer
Transportation Fee	\$12		At Registration	Treasurer
Food 3 Meals Est.	\$20 (cash)	\$20 (cash)	Aug. 19, 2023	Food Buyer

III. Uniform Expectations:

Travel and From Grayson Highlands - Appropriate hiking/camping clothing

IV. Activities and What to Bring: (not all inclusive, see T-48 Camping Checklist)

Activity	What to Take
Truck-In	Normal truck-in camping equipment and clothing, tents, sleeping system, cooking gear, food by patrol, snacks, no hammocks. Saturday bagged lunch
Backpacking	Normal backpacking gear, food, water filtration, Saturday bagged lunch, snacks Two camp meals (dinner, breakfast) and one trail meal (Sunday lunch)

V. Trip Description:

Trip consists of 2 parts: (A) a 9-mile Backpacking Trip from the Visitor Center parking lot at Massie Gap to the "Scales" area via part of the Appalachian Trail and the Wilson Creek Trail. Camping will be west of Third Peak. An excellent spring is about 200 yards south of the ridge/woods camping area. Trails are rated "moderate difficulty." Meals will be prepared by patrols from their pre-planned menus. Cooking with backpacking stoves. The trail route back is via the "Scales" and Big Wilson Creek Trail to the Grayson Highlands Campground. (B) Truck-in Camping in the Hickory Ridge Campground, check-in at 4:00 PM. Sites 13, 15, 16, 17, and 18 are available with 2 vehicles per site and 6 persons per site. Day hikes and blueberry picking are special activities available. Will hold campfires (if weather permits). Bring stories, jokes, and songs to share. Church services are planned for Sunday. Vehicle shuttles will be used between the Campground, Massie Gap, and Visitor Center parking lots.