

Deerfoot Lodge High Peaks Voyager Trip – 2017

Trip Description: This is an advanced backpacking trip for experienced hikers who are in excellent physical condition. If you love to hike hard, you'll love this trip. If you dislike advanced hiking, this is not the trip for you. You'll be on the trail for a full 10 days, with one 're-supply' half way through. Re-supply will be your only opportunity to send or receive mail. The goal is to summit 23 of the forty six high peaks (learn more about the 46 high peaks at www.46er.org). Reaching all 23 summits is an ambitious goal and is contingent on the caliber of the group, weather, and other unforeseen circumstances that might affect the route. Voyager High Peaks Trip Summit goals are divided as follows.

Trip A (session 3): Seward, Donaldson, Emmons, Seymour, Santanoni, Couchsachraga, Panther, Allen, Algonquin, Iroquois, Wright, Marshal, Phelps, Tabletop, Street, Nye, Cliff, Redfield, Haystack, Gray, Marcy, Skylight, and Colden.

Trip B (Session 4): Giant, Rocky Peak Ridge, Dix, East Dix, South Dix, Hough, Macomb, Cascade, Porter, Whiteface, Esther, Dial, Nippletop, Colvin, Blake, Sawteeth, Basin, Saddleback, Gothics, Armstrong, Lower Wolfjaw, Upper Wolfjaw, and Big Slide.

Standards for success:

- At least one year experience on the Island at Deerfoot, or evidence of strong trail experience. Preferably, a successful high peaks 'bust' experience as an 'Indian' at Deerfoot.
- Physical stamina for hiking over mountains, with & without packs. This will be a physically demanding 10 day hike.
- Team player at the camp site. Willing to help with any and all camp site duties such as setting up tents, cooking, cleaning pots, etc.
- Willing to learn and grow close to five other brothers, two of whom will be the Chiefs

What you need:

- Arrive to camp in optimal physical conditioning for a 10 day advanced hiking trip. This will require training prior to your arrival at camp. If you show up out of shape, you be a liability on the trip and may be sent home.
- A good pair of hiking boots. They should fit well and be well broken in prior to your arrival to camp. If you need advice on boots, call us!
- Quality rain gear and clothing for the trail. Avoid anything made of cotton.
- A great attitude that is willing to push yourself through the challenge, rain or shine, etc.

This is one of the best trips Deerfoot offers, but it is not for everybody. If you love hiking hard, then this is your trip. If you don't, then don't sign up for this. I am happy to discuss any part of this with you. Feel free to call me at 518-256-0106, or email at chiefron@deerfoot.org. If you have no questions, simply sign this page and get a copy to me. –Chief Ron

I have read the fact sheet about the Voyager High Peaks Trip and understand the criteria for success. I meet the standard for success and will come to camp in optimal hiking condition prepared to be and give my very best on the trail.

Camper's Signature: _____ Date: _____

I have read the fact sheet about the Voyager High Peaks Trip, understand the criteria for success, and support my son's participation on this trip.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Send confirmation to Chief Michael Bilezikian: chiefmichael@deerfoot.org (email), 305-979-9629 (phone), or 518-207-0434 (fax)