

# LUNCH WITH A LLAMA - DAY HIKES WITH JK HIKES

## Please Read

*Ready to get your Llama on? Our llamas are ready.*

First, we have a few rundowns in order to set your expectations so we exceed 'em. Be sure to read all of this in order to learn the skinny on JK Hikes Llama trekking in Colorado. We are a group of passionate leaders and trekkers with one thing in common - we love to hike in the backcountry with the beautiful llamas carrying our gear. Each of us is as diverse as you and your friends so expect something different from any of our team - but no matter who guides you and which llamas accompany you - we promise, with an open mind and a desire to be in the wilderness no matter the weather - you will have a great experience. In fact, we bet you'll put this one in your top 10 lifetime trips.

### **GEAR:**

First thing to remember is you are out in the wilderness - so be prepared. You must provide your own gear - if you don't have something let us know so we can put our collective minds together and come up with a solution. Being prepared in the wilderness is like being prepared for anything friends. Warm clothing; water crossing shoes (if applicable), plates, cups and utensils for your meals, drinking water, good trekking shoes, sunscreen, gloves and other extremity warm layers, lip gloss and facial moisturizer (it's the high country folks - skin gets dry) and of course high protein snacks. We do have an entire gear list - and any backpacker book or website can give you more on this. Do your homework and don't get caught off guard. You are your own best "stay safe" advocate by being prepared.

### **WEATHER:**

As stated above, Colorado can be fickle and have some crazy weather twists and turns. Don't assume that because it's June or July you'll be fine in a t-shirt with no other layers. It could be windy and cold, or hot and sweaty, or even begin to snow. Simple clothing layers and choices are best - don't skimp on being ready for anything in the high country.

### **LUNCH:**

We are a casual outfitter - sometimes we provide a cowboy style lunch including a sandwich with some yummy meat, sliced tomatoes if the season is right for our garden, lettuce, a piece of fruit, a cookie and or a protein bar or some potato salad with an ice-tea or lemonade. We will lay out a blanket to grab your gear and we'll sit together in the wilderness communing and laughing as we collectively breathe in the fresh air.

### **LLAMA SHERPAS:**

Our llamas enjoy carrying up to 40 lbs each - apx 20 lbs on each side of their bodies. We weigh each bag carefully for animal comfort. They can carry your lunches and backpacks if you'd like. They will also be carrying our supplies, other guide essentials, like first aid.

### **TIMING:**

Since this is a casual outfitter company we tend to go with the flow a bit on timing. We cannot guarantee specific times as it relates to when we will arrive back to the vehicles. There are many variables to contend with like animals being saddled, weather and hiking conditions - which all insist that we stay agile - we will

give you a time frame but need you to be flexible on timing - no hard return time - just a back by 6pm between 3 and 6pm kinda thing. You are on an adventure of a lifetime.

**ANIMALS:**

The llamas are accustomed to walking w/ trekkers but some are still learning a few things like personal space behind you. We will give you the top things to know prior to leaving but please understand that you might get a "flat tire" on the back of your shoe from a few of our beauties. It's not something that really hurts you but you need to know it's possible. They each have their own llama personalities and we love them all for what they contribute to the team. We realize you have gone to great lengths to get into the mountains and we want you to be able to savor every aspect for as long as possible, breathing the clean mountain air.

That about does it folks. If you have any questions give Jodi a holler on the contact us button below. We are thrilled you want to join us and can't wait to serve you into the wilderness via llama trekking. See you soon.