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Wyoming's Wind River Country Announces 2010 Western Summer Vacation Packages

RIVERTON, WY (June 14, 2010) – Adventure vacation packages in Wyoming's Wind River Country this summer range from refined to rugged. For cowgirls, archaeology buffs, singles, gourmards and families, the many attractions and unparalleled scenery of the Wind River Region are calling. The following is a brief description of each special vacation package wrapped in the wonder of Wyoming's Wind River Country. Wyoming's Wind River Country can be found along the Circle the Continental Divide Drive, which is one of Top 10 Scenic Drives in the Northern Rockies (www.drivethetop10.com).

Guest dude ranches in the Wind River Country region have special weeks in store for summer travelers. No one needs to feel like a fifth wheel at Triangle C Dude Ranch. Nestled within the pines of the Shoshone National Forest just 30 minutes from the gates of Yellowstone National Park, the ranch hosts Country Singles Weeks in May, June and August. Lone travelers make new acquaintances while kicking up their heels on the dance floor of rustic saloons and soaking up scenery on cool forest trails.

The Dubois/Wind River Kampgrounds of America (KOA) offers an amazing variety of specials this summer! Try the Authentic Western Adventure through the Eyes of Native Americans and Cowboys, which includes a Big Horn Sheep Trap hike, camping and rodeo. For those who enjoy some horseback riding, the Saddle Up in Dubois might be for you. It starts with camping, then a 2-hour horseback ride on the MacKenzie Highland Ranch's trails into the Shoshone Forest, and ends with the Circle Up Chuckwagon Dinner Show. And there's more! During the Authentic Western Adventure through Rock Art, Song and Grub, you will see Native American petroglyphs, camp and enjoy the famous Circle Up Chuckwagon Dinner Show. There is something for everyone at the KOA.

A weekend retreat at the E A Ranch in Dubois mixes horsemanship and yoga in a setting of red hills and majestic mountains. Cowgirls, cowboys and yogi unite to share wisdom, adventure and fun.

The Lazy L & B Dude Ranch overlooks the scenic Scotch Valley, named for the 1890 Scottish homesteaders that first settled this idyllic spot. Guests ride through patches of brilliant color scattered across 80,000 wild acres surrounding the old sheep and cattle ranch. The Lazy L & B has superior riding programs as well as a rifle range, heated swimming pool, and volleyball and horseshoe courts. Travelers get a 10 percent discount and military personnel receive a 15 percent discount on weekly rates all season long! If staying less than one week, please call for details.

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Families also find plenty of outdoor adventure at the historic CM Ranch near Dubois. Each guest receives expert riding instruction at this classic dude ranch, including the kids who have their own wrangler, and may try their hand at roping the dummy steer.

Patrons of one seasoned Wind River Country outfitter won't find horses in the stable. Instead, gentle and friendly llamas carry the loads for guests of the Lander Llama Company. Starting May 29 through June 27, Mama can go on a guided, catered, day-and-a-half hike for free! Hire a llama for your Mama, and she'll never forget the majesty of the mountains and colorful hoodoos, towering buttes and swirling sand dunes of Wyoming's Red Desert. The outfitter's Truck and Bunk trip is a journey back to the 19th century as hikers follow the Oregon-Mormon Trail, a path taken by hundreds of thousands of explorers and settlers hoping to start new lives in the American West.

Brooks Lake Lodge, a Wyoming guest ranch and wilderness retreat, offers special rates on selected dates this summer! This will include breakfast, lunch, dinner, teatime and all activities, including horseback trail riding, fly fishing, hiking and canoes for the lake. Visitors can take advantage of the fantastic wildlife viewing, wilderness pack trips and hiking trips into the gorgeous Wyoming mountains.

Miner's Delight Inn Bed & Breakfast, a historic mountaintop inn, forgoes 21st century hotel amenities like Internet connections, instead offering visitors a laid-back pace while savoring fresh mountain breezes. Later this month, the myriad of flavors of fine malted scotch whiskey will be available to visitors as well. Maps, books, pamphlets and distillery information will be on hand for each Second Saturday Scotch Sampling at Six at 7,600 feet in Wyoming's Wind River Range summer. Plus, connoisseurs or novices can gather mates and reserve a date later in the season to sip scotch in the inn's Two-Bit Country Saloon. The Bed & Breakfast is also a host for seasonal walks known in Europe as a Volkswanderung or Volksmarch, which is German for "people's walk," until Sept. 30, 2010. The non-competitive walks promote vigor and health for participants as they stroll amid the beauty at 8,000 feet in Wind River Country. A \$20 discount is available to Miner's Delight Inn Bed & Breakfast guests who stay three nights if they complete the inn's two events as well as the Volksmarches at the South Pass City State Historic Site and the Sinks Canyon State Park.

Located in the glaciated volcanic Dunoir Valley, Bear Basin Adventures offers all types of activities ranging from challenging hikes and picturesque strolls to horseback riding and fantastic photography in this single vacation spot. If fishing is more your style, the area's streams and lakes offer opportunities for both cutthroat and brook trout fishing. You can also admire the breathtaking views of conifer forests and enjoy the area wildlife during warm, sunny days with cool, comfortable evenings. Bear Basin Adventures' horse pack trips are unlike any other as they offer gourmet meals, comfortable camping supplies, experienced guides, and safe horses and tack throughout the entire unforgettable experience.

For more fishing adventures, Dunoir Fishing offers 10 percent off all guided fly fishing trips for all guests who stay in the historical cabins at the Ramshorn Guest Ranch in Dubois.

If you prefer to stay put during your vacation, the Lava Mountain Lodge can accommodate your every request as it features various lodging options and amenities to make your stay even more enjoyable. Lodging options include lodge rooms, cabins, a four-bedroom house perfect for families, a

campground and an RV park with full hook-up sites. Amenities of the property consist of a gas station with both diesel and regular gasoline as well as a convenience store fully stocked with everything you would need during your stay and travels. Fulfill your wine, beer and spirits needs at the Liquor Between the Peaks store, and the on-site Wilderness Boundary Restaurant also offers an array of dining delicacies including steak and seafood. Special discounts are available.

For those wishing to try their luck this summer, The Wind River Casino is partnering with The Comfort Inn, Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn and Days Inn and offering hotel coupons good for discounts on a variety of items.

For complete package listings and logistics, visit <http://www.wind-river.org/coupons.php> or call 800-645-6233 for a free vacation packet. To learn more about what Wind River Country has to offer or to request a vacation packet, please visit us at <http://www.wind-river.org>, fan us on Facebook at Wyoming's Wind River Country and follow us on Twitter at WindRiverWY.

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