

# A Warm Welcome from the White Grass Dude Ranch and the Western Center for Historic Preservation!



Thank you for participating as a Trainee at White Grass! Please carefully read the following information to prepare you for your stay at our White Grass Dude Ranch facility.

## HOUSING



**Cabins:** The sleeping cabins are equipped with electricity, hot/cold running water, showers, flush toilets, baseboard heat, beds and mattresses, and side tables. Bed linens, blankets, and pillows are provided by the Western Center for Historic Preservation (WCHP). Baths are either private or shared between two sleeping quarters. Cabins DO NOT have phones, internet connections, TVs, clocks, or kitchens. A shared kitchen is located in the Main Cabin. Food preparation and storage is not permitted in the sleeping cabins.

The sleeping cabins maintain their dude ranch character and guests should expect that they may be sharing bedrooms and bathrooms with other guests.

One sleeping cabin at White Grass has been rehabilitated according to ADA standards. For specifics about this cabin or to reserve it, please contact the White Grass Ranch caretaker in advance of your stay. Any Personal Care Attendant(s) needed will be the responsibility of the resident.

**Check-in:** Guest check-in is at the Hammond Cabin with the caretaker between 3:00 pm and 6:00 pm on the day before the workshop formally begins. All guests are expected to attend an orientation meeting at 6:15 pm check-in day. Guests should arrive at White Grass with food for at least their first evening meal (check-in day) and for breakfast and lunch the next day (the first full day of the workshop).

At check-in, guests will be issued cabin keys, bear spray, and bed linens. If one plans to arrive in Jackson prior to the assigned check-in date, you will be responsible for your own accommodations.

**Check-out:** All guests must check-out before 9:00 AM on the day after the workshop ends. No extended stays are permitted.

Prior to check-out, guests should at a minimum:

- Sweep the cabin and bathroom
- Empty trash/place in a bear-proof dumpster
- Return cabin key, dirty linens and towels, and bear spray to the caretaker in the Hammond Cabin

**Connectivity:** Cell service is relatively good at the ranch, although not always reliable. Service is available in Moose and many other places in the Park. There is a WiFi signal at the ranch adequate for emails. There is complementary Wi-Fi available at the Craig Thomas Discovery and Visitor Center in Moose.

**Transportation:** Guests are responsible for their own transportation to and from White Grass. In order to minimize the number of vehicles parked at White Grass, guests are encouraged to carpool whenever possible. If guests are unable to provide their own transportation to and from the airport in Jackson, the Western Center for Historic Preservation will attempt to facilitate airport shuttles between guests.

**Laundry:** Laundry facilities with soap are available at White Grass at no charge.

**Pets:** Pets are not allowed at White Grass.

**Visitors:** Daytime visitors are permitted so long as their presence does not interrupt general operations and/or cause safety concerns. Visitors are not permitted in construction zones or around power equipment unless they sign the Volunteer Consent Form. Overnight visitors are not permitted. Sleeping in cars/trucks is not permitted. RVs, trailers and tent camping are not permitted at White Grass. There are several campgrounds and lodges/motels available in the park and nearby Jackson, WY.

Children are not permitted to reside at White Grass during a Vanishing Treasure/Western Center for Historic Preservation (WCHP) workshop. However, spouses and/or significant others are permitted. As such, Trainees must apply to WCHP if additional lodging is requested for a spouse/significant other. Since workshop trainees have first preference for White Grass lodging, a decision about space availability for spouses/significant others will not be made prior to fourteen days before the start of the workshop.

## WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN YOU STAY AT WHITE GRASS

Trainees will receive an agenda for the week and will need to be at the location (likely the White Grass Main Cabin) by the time designated to begin each work or training day.

## FOOD OPTIONS

**Meals and Grocery Stores:** All trainees will be responsible for their own food purchases and preparation. Everyone staying at White Grass has full access to the community kitchen, which has refrigerators, microwaves, four-burner stoves with ovens, a dishwasher, utensils, pots and pans, and dishes. The kitchen also has a coffee maker. All dry-goods must be stored in the provided plastic bins to prevent animals from eating any food and to comply with wildlife food storage requirements. Please keep in mind that the kitchen is shared by all. It is

imperative that the kitchen is cleaned promptly, both out of respect for your fellow residents and to keep the critters away. All who use the kitchen are responsible for cleaning it immediately after each use. No food, no coffee/coffee makers are allowed in your sleeping cabin.

#### **Local Grocery Stores:**

- Smith's Food and Drug: 1425 S. Hwy 89, Jackson, WY – 307-733-8908
- Albertson's: 105 Buffalo Way, Jackson, WY – 307-733-5950
- Jackson Whole Grocer: 1155, US Hwy 89, Jackson, WY – 307-733-3014
- Aspen's Market: 4015 W. Lake Creek Dr., Wilson, WY – 307-200-6140
- Mangy Moose Market: Teton Village, WY – 307-733-4913
- Dornan's: At Moose Junction off Hwy 191, Moose, WY – 307-733-2415

#### **Nearest Restaurants**

- Dornan's: At Moose Junction off Hwy 191, Moose, WY – 307-733-2415
- The Calico: Highway 390 between Teton Village and Wilson- 307-733-2460
- The Mangy Moose: In Teton Village- 307-733-4913
- The Alpenhof: In Teton Village- 307-733-3242

### **WHAT TO BRING**

For All Guests:

- Personal hygiene items (i.e. shampoo, soap, toothpaste, sun screen, lip moisturizer, etc.)
- Flashlight or headlamp (if possible)
- Food (see "meals" in the Food Options section)
- Warm layers and rain gear. The ranch can be cold at night and weather changes frequently
- Sturdy shoes for work activities – avoid sandals with open toes
- Other personal items of choice
- Optional: preferred safety glasses, ear protection, and select hand tools but all will be provided by the Western Center for Historic Preservation

Wildlife: Bears and other wildlife enjoy White Grass as much as you do! For your safety, please carry bear spray (which will be provided) and a good flashlight with you whenever you leave your cabin after dusk. To protect residents both present and future, all food items and cosmetics must be properly secured in vehicles, bear-proof containers, or inside the Main Cabin. No food or beverages are to be in individual cabins or left unattended outside at any time. All food scraps and garbage must be discarded in the designated bear-proof dumpster.

### **GENERAL RULES FOR GUESTS**

Please remember that White Grass Ranch is contained within and is part of Grand Teton National Park. The Western Center for Historic Preservation (WCHP) is part of the National Park Service's Vanishing Treasures Program which is administered from the Intermountain Region Office in Santa Fe, NM. Guests of the White Grass Ranch are subject to the same laws, regulations, and policies as all other park visitors. At White Grass:

- Park vehicles in designated areas only, and walk on designated paths only
- Quiet time is observed between 9:00 pm and 6:00 am daily. Guests are expected to keep music, voices, and noise to appropriate levels at all times in respect for fellow residents and local wildlife
- Guests must clean the kitchen immediately after use
- Smoking is permitted in designated areas only. Smoking is not permitted in the cabins/log structures. Following Grand Teton fire regulations, smokers may not wander outside with a lit cigarette and must extinguish and dispose of cigarettes properly.
- Food and beverages (other than water) are not permitted in the sleeping cabins
- Outdoor fires and campfires are not permitted for any purpose. Outdoor cooking is permitted only on approved camp stoves and barbeques. All stoves and barbeques must be stored inside after use
- No RVs, trailers, campers, or buses are permitted at White Grass or on the Moose-Wilson Road. No tent camping is allowed at the White Grass Ranch. Sleeping in cars/trucks is not permitted.
- Responsible consumption of alcohol is permitted at White Grass after the workshop/organized training/workday activities have concluded each day.
- Illegal activity will not be tolerated at White Grass including but not limited to:
  - Use and/or sale of illegal drugs (including marijuana)
  - Providing controlled substances and/or alcohol to minors
  - Public intoxication
 NOTE: Any illegal activity will be reported promptly to Grand Teton National Park Law Enforcement Officer
- National Park Service staff and the White Grass Caretaker reserve the right to enter an occupied cabin at any time for inspection/maintenance, etc. without prior notice to the guest
- Possession of firearms at White Grass Ranch and Grand Teton National Park is subject to current law and policy on firearms as established by Congress and the National Park Service
- The Western Center for Historic Preservation and the National Park Service are not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged personal property
- Guests participation at White Grass Ranch may be terminated at any time for willful and/or repeated violation of the above General Rules

## **IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION**

### **Primary Contact for arrivals, check-in, and directions after May 30, 2017**

- Roger Butterbaugh, Ranch Caretaker (summers), Western Center for Historical Preservation – [rlbutterba@icloud.com](mailto:rlbutterba@icloud.com) - 502-321-2346

### **Secondary Contacts**

- Mary Webb, Western Center for Historic Preservation – 419-340-1593
- Erin Gibbs, Vanishing Treasures Training Coordinator—307-739-3571 (office)

#### **In case of emergency**

- Dial 911 – inside the Park, it is likely to connect to Park Dispatch

#### **Additional emergency resources:**

- Grand Teton National Park Dispatch – 307-739-3301
- Saint John’s Hospital, Jackson, WY – 307-733-3636

## USEFUL WEBSITES

- WCHP Website: <http://www.nps.gov/grte/historyculture/wchp.htm>
- White Grass Heritage Project Website: <http://www.whitegrass.org>
- Grand Teton National Park Website: <http://www.nps.gov/grte>
- Jackson Hole Chamber of Commerce: <http://www.jacksonholechamber.com>
- Information for group camping within the park:  
<http://www.nps.gov/grte/planyourvisit/campgrounds.htm>
- Jackson Hole & Greater Yellowstone Visitor Center Website:  
<http://www.fws.gov/nationalelkrefuge/JacksonHoleVisitorsCenter.htm>

## GETTING TO WHITE GRASS

Whether arriving from the north or south, turn west onto highway 89/191 and proceed to Moose, Wyoming, Grand Teton National Park Headquarters. Then:

- Across from the Post Office, turn left on the Moose-Wilson Road towards the Laurance S. Rockefeller Preserve and Teton Village.
- After 3 miles, turn right on Death Canyon Road following signs for the Death Canyon trailhead.
- Follow the road until the pavement ends (approximately 1 mile), and turn right and proceed through the NPS gate. Gate may be closed, but is not locked. If you have trouble getting through the gate, please call the caretaker. Please close the gate after entering or leaving.
- Once through the gate, bear left and follow the dirt road for 1 mile. Please park by the modern pump house (the first building you get to when you drive to the ranch).
- Proceed to the Hammond Cabin to register with the caretaker to receive cabin assignment, key, etc.

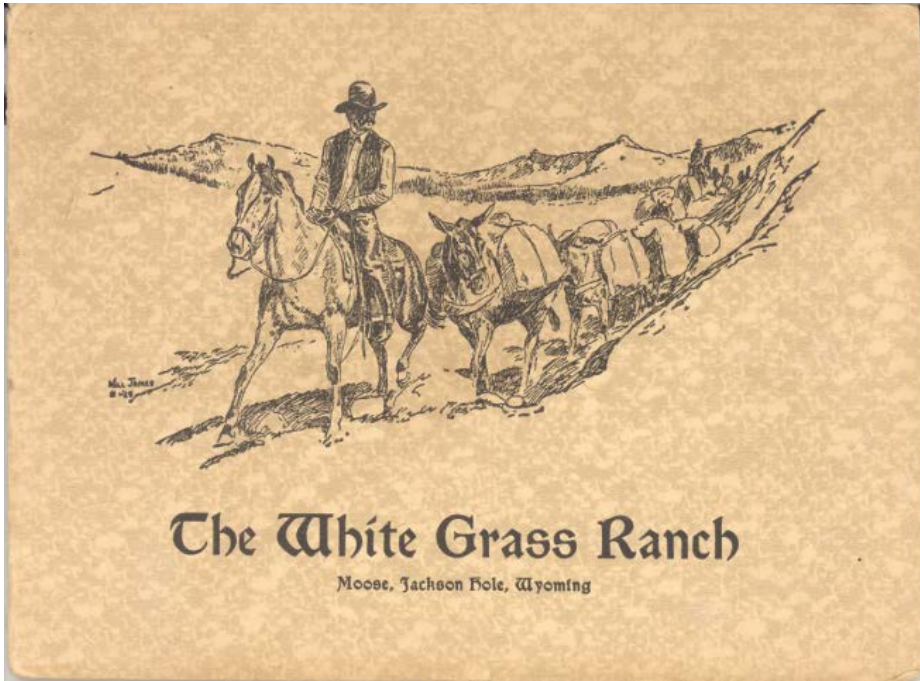


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WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU!



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# The White Grass Ranch

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