# Montana The True Rockies Experience

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Welcome to your exclusive Ranch experience...

We offer levels of personal service often aspired to, but rarely achieved. A totally bespoke approach to every experience, delivering the very highest standards of satisfaction. A limited number of experiences each year to ensure absolute attention to detail.

### The Ranch at Rock Creek

In rugged Montana ranchland southeast of Missoula, lies The Ranch at Rock Creek—a traditional, luxury ranch that brings together wide open spaces and upscale amenities like never before. Located on over 6600 acres of lush hay meadows and rolling foothills set off by distant snow-capped peaks, this stunning destination delivers a classic ranch experience in a setting far from the clamour of the big city. Guests will discover that The Ranch at Rock Creek is a place that offers the feel of the 'true West' without sacrificing true comfort.





### Accommodation

The Ranch at Rock Creek features a nine-room Granite Lodge, fivebedroom Bear House, three-bedroom River House, three-bedroom Moose House, Bluebird Cabin, The Loft, Wrangler, The Bunkhouse, eight Luxury Riverside Canvas Cabins, and Trapper, a unique halfcanvas, half-wood accommodation. Interior spaces and rooms are individually decorated and appointed with a unique combination of Western antiques and custom furniture to reflect an authentic Montana ranch with high-end sensibility.





# Luxury Riverside Canvas Cabins

For some, the definitive experience at The Ranch is to stay in one of the eight Luxury Canvas Cabins. Yards from Rock Creek, these accommodations offer the best way to feel a part of nature without sacrificing comfort. They are individually-furnished in a rustic camp style, with canvas walls and wood framing, grand log beds with luxurious bedding, elegant rugs, and gas fireplaces. Private baths, each associated with a specific canvas cabin, are located at the end of a short walkway. Connected to the walkway and overlooking the river is each canvas cabin's screened-in deck.

# The Granite Lodge and dining

The Granite Lodge sits on a small ridge just west of Rock Creek and is the primary home base during a visit to The Ranch. The great room and the dining room are located here, as well as the Silver Dollar Saloon, the four lane bowling alley, pool table, and great hall. Also located here is The Spa offering an array of professional treatments.





### **Outdoor Activities**

The Ranch at Rock Creek is designed with individual tastes, preferences, and needs in mind, and the recreational opportunities are almost limitless. Horseback riding on trails that weave among our 6000+ acres, fly fishing over four miles of Blue Ribbon Rock Creek, fishing the stocked trout ponds, hiking, wildlife watching, mountain biking, sporting clays, archery, paintball, rafting, hot air ballooning over the Rocky Mountains, photo safaris and more...

Excursions off-site include float trips to nearby rivers, explorations of regional historical sites, and golf at The Old Works Jack Nicklausdesigned course. Or, a journey to the town of Philipsburg will introduce a unique western Montana experience with its sloping Main Street, charming shops, and interesting architecture. Western ghost towns, historical sites, and more can also be explored in the surrounding areas.



# The Spa

Rejuvenation and relaxation are a part of the total experience at The Ranch at Rock Creek, with professional massage therapy treatments available in the dedicated five-room spa inside the stone-and-timber Granite Lodge.

Swedish deep tissue massage, warm mountain rock treatments, hightech or all-natural facials, and the signature 'Rock Creek Ritual' are always welcome after a vigorous day outdoors. Hair and nail styling is also available.

## The Saloons

There are two saloons at The Ranch at Rock Creek, each providing a venue for games and tall tales after dinner. The saloon in the great room of the Granite Lodge is where before-dinner cocktails and hors d'oeuvres are enjoyed, and the Silver Dollar Saloon in the north wing boasts billiards, darts, ping-pong, shuffleboard, karaoke, a 14-foot HD television screen, and a four-lane bowling alley.





These are some of the highlights of a trip on Montana – but remember, this is a tailor-made journey and the pace can build as you wish. This is no ordinary adventure...

Upon arrival you will be greeted by our team with a big smile and a well deserved glass of Champagne. After a brief introduction to The Ranch at Rock Creek and a light meal and beverages it's a visit to the Corral to be fitted for a horse, saddle and cowboy boots! For after Dinner an evening horseback ride for all is planned.

A traditional ranch breakfast to set you up for the day or followed by a spectacular early morning hot air balloon ride over the stunning Rocky Mountains. Or enjoy a lazy morning and a choice of activities including spa treatments to make sure you feel relaxed and invigorated. For those who prefer, a morning horseback ride to the summit of a local mountain and a chance to enjoy a fresh cup of coffee whilst soaking up this breathtaking landscape.



After a fantastic outdoor BBQ lunch at the main lodge, you will have a selection of activities for the afternoon. World class fly fishing, sporting clays, archery, try your hand at lassoing with the The Ranch's own cowboys or just a relaxing walk followed by a few hours in the world class spa.

After a magnificent day in the wilds of Montana it's time to relax with friends over evening cocktails followed by a wonderful dinner in the main dining room. After dinner it's a stroll to the barn for a fantastic evening of entertainment where the Wild West tradition of line dancing can be enjoyed, together with live music, and gives everyone a chance to blow the cobwebs away and let the good times roll...



Enjoying wonderful outdoor cowboy breakfasts and head out on a guided tour of an historic 19th century mining and ghost town, or try some sapphire mining at Gem Mountain both followed by a gourmet picnic in the wild and colourful meadows of Montana.

Other afternoons can see a private rodeo exclusively for you. A spectacular display of traditional cowboy skills from bull riding, lassoing wild horses, branding and much more with the chance to take part and try your hand at being a real cowboy.

The evenings can begin with cocktails and refreshments followed by a Dutch-Oven Dinner at a remarkable and mystical location known as 'Top of the World' and a chance to check out the incredible night stars of mid-west America.



# Let us take you there...

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