

ARE YOU  
READY  
FOR  
SOME  
ADVENTURE?



As a BSA High Adventure program, Birchbark Expedition programs are open to scouts 13+ years old and have successfully passed a BSA swimmer test within the last 12 months.

Committed to delivering a safe experience to all participants, the program requires that all adults (18 and older) hold current Youth Protection Training, follow two-deep leadership requirements and adhere to BSA Safety Afloat policies.



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ADIRONDACK  
ADVENTURE  
WITH  
BIRCHBARK  
EXPEDITIONS



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## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Birchbark Expeditions Adirondack Adventure canoeing program is a week-long high-adventure experience for Scouts BSA and Venture units, operating in New York's Adirondack region.

Treks start with two training sessions at base camp, working on paddling, portaging, and in-camp skills

During their expedition, crews will follow their custom pre-planned itinerary through the pristine lakes and forests of the Adirondack region, enjoying the incredible views, wildlife and camaraderie. Crews will also have an opportunity to visit one of many cultural features or hiking trails in the area.

Advancement opportunities include: 50 Miler Award, Canoeing, Cooking, Camping, and many other merit badges

Staffed by a team of volunteer guides from WNYSC, the program is very cost-effective.



## WHAT'S INCLUDED

The Birchbark Expeditions Adirondack Adventure program is turn-key, providing a complete complement of crew equipment and food for the duration of their planned trek. Every crew is outfitted with:

- 1) A trained guide for a week
- 2) Base camp food
- 3) Backcountry food
- 4) Daily snacks
- 5) Canoes and Paddles
- 6) Safety Equipment
- 7) Complete Trail Kitchen Kit
- 8) Kelly Kettles (2)
- 9) Stoves with Fuel
- 10) Bear bags and rope
- 11) Canoe packs
- 12) Shelter Tarp
- 13) Tents (2 or 4-person)
- 14) Satellite communicator
- 15) Souvenir Tee-shirt and bottle

## PROGRAM MISSION

### 1. Education

Introduce scouts to the excitement of canoeing, offer affordable High Adventure opportunities, and share the incredible history, flora and fauna found in the Adirondack region of New York State.

### 2. Explore

The Adirondack region offers a wide range of paddling opportunities, from creeks, ponds, rivers, and lakes. Explore hidden ponds, hike peaks, see natural features and experience wildlife viewing.

### 3. Experience

Work together as a crew to build skills and experience in canoe tripping. Work toward the Canoeing merit badge, gain confidence and learn life-long skills.

## MORE INFORMATION

More information, pricing, availability, and registration can be found at:

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