

# ELKHORN RANCH

2009-2010 SEASON

Sunday November 15, 2009 to Sunday April 25, 2010

**RESERVATIONS** can be made one year in advance of your stay. We strongly recommend reservations of a week or longer to provide you with the opportunity to relax and become comfortable with your horse. Guests generally arrive and depart on Sundays. Recommended arrival time is after 2 pm and departure before 11 am. Shorter stays of a minimum of four nights are available only when there is space between week or longer stays. We cannot hold a space without a 25 percent deposit, and **no deposit can be refunded unless the vacancy is filled.** Any slight changes in dates must be made two months ahead to avoid charge for the full confirmed reservation.

To make a reservation, please contact us to check on cabin availability. At this point, we will hold space for a couple of weeks to give you time to return an application form and your 25% deposit. Upon receipt of your deposit, you will receive a written confirmation letter. You will be asked to sign a *Participant Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement* upon arrival. Elkhorn Ranch will provide this agreement for your review upon request.

**RATES AND PAYMENT.** The rate includes horseback riding and all living expenses with the exception of personal laundry. Local tax and 15 percent gratuity are added to your bill. Children under age six may not ride and there is no charge for their stay. Checks, money orders or travelers' checks should be made payable to ELKHORN RANCH or use the ranch wire account to transfer funds electronically (call or email for specific instructions). **We do not accept credit cards.**

	<u>WEEKLY</u> Add'l nights prorated	<u>NIGHTLY</u> Four night minimum
<b>SINGLE OR DOUBLE CABIN</b>		
Per Person, adult or child	\$ 1306.00	\$258.00
<b>TWO WEEKS OR OVER</b>		
Per person	1240.00	
<b>THREE WEEKS OR OVER</b>		
Per person	1112.00	
<b>ADDITIONAL PERSON IN SAME CABIN</b>		
Ages 6 through 15	695.00	130.00
Ages 16 and over	1078.00	215.00
<b>WINTER QUIET TIME</b>		
<b>SINGLE OR DOUBLE CABIN</b>		
Per person, for at least six nights Between Nov. 29-Dec. 20 or Jan. 3-10	1240.00	
<b>WINTER QUIET TIME</b>	Please discuss with Mary Miller	
<b>GROUP RATES</b>		

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NOTES

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**RIDING AND SAFETY.** Children must be **age 6 or older to ride.** Out of respect for our horses, we have **250 pound weight limit on all riders.** **Pregnant women** are advised to consult with their physician about riding prior to your visit. Elkhorn Ranch discourages riding during late-term pregnancy and does not allow loping at any time during pregnancy.

For your safety and comfort, Western style **boots with a smooth sole, heel and no laces are required when riding.** A brimmed hat **with a safety string** is recommended for sun and heat protection. Excessive sun exposure is a concern in the desert. Sunscreen, hats, lightweight long sleeves, and hydration are important. Think about hydration before your visit and during travel to the ranch. Boots and hats can be borrowed from the ranch lending closet. Long underwear, tights, or panty hose and long socks are helpful in warding off saddle soreness.

You are welcome to **bring your own riding helmet.** **Elkhorn Ranch does not provide helmets,** but encourages you to use one if it makes you feel better about safety. If you choose to use a helmet, purchase one from a knowledgeable dealer who works with you to assure proper sizing and helps you adjust it properly. Monitor use of the helmet to assure it has not been damaged in a fall. The disadvantage of riding helmets is that they provide very little sun protection. So if you choose to wear one, seek a model with ventilation and as much sun protection as possible.

Your safety while riding is important to us! Please help us keep you safe by reading the riding tips in your cabin, paying attention to your guide, and asking questions as you go!

**Sunday is the horses' day off** and a chance to hike, swim, play tennis, sightsee or just loaf in the sun. Beginning in January, we take **Thursday afternoon off from riding** to provide time to catch up with horseshoeing and doctoring.

**THINGS YOU WILL NEED.** Ranch guests and crew wear casual clothing. Jeans are recommended for riding. Sand creeps into toeless shoes — comfortable walking shoes are suggested. Evenings are apt to be chilly and sweaters or jackets are needed. Shorts and bathing suits are enjoyable during the afternoons. Dark glasses and flashlights are handy. Shopping is over an hour away in Tucson, but basic items are available at the ranch store — ie. toiletry items, snacks and the like. Beer, wine, soda pop and juices are sold at the ranch — we suggest purchasing liquor on your way out from Tucson.

**CHILDREN.** Children are very welcome but we do not have a supervised children's program nor babysitting services. Kids age six and older can go on rides either with their parents or with other kids and we are pleased to help them learn to ride.

**COMMUNICATION.** A phone and computer for internet access are available for your use at the office, as well as a small wireless zone where you may use your own computer. Cell phone reception improves every year, but don't count on it.

**SHIPPING.** You are welcome to ship parcels directly to the ranch. United Parcel Service (UPS) has the most reliable service, right to the ranch office. Elkhorn will return your parcels via UPS and bill you accordingly.

**FOOD AND SPECIAL NEEDS.** If you have particular dietary needs or requests for your cabin, we are pleased to accommodate you—**please be in touch at least one week before your arrival** so that we can shop and plan accordingly. With advance notice, we are happy to do cakes for birthdays or anniversaries!

**TRANSPORTATION.** **Please let us know your travel plans at least one week before your arrival.** Elkhorn Ranch is about a one and a half hour drive from Tucson or solid 3 hour drive from Phoenix (ask for the Marana shortcut directions). Rental cars are available at Tucson International Airport or a ranch car and driver can transport you between Tucson and the ranch for a charge of \$48 per person each way with a maximum of \$140 per car when the ride is shared with three or more. If you plan to sightsee, we recommend renting a car in Tucson. The ranch will run a van to the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum on Thursdays upon request.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS.** From Tucson, head southwest on Route 86, the Ajo Highway. From the airport, go west on Valencia Road and turn left onto Route 86. About 20 miles from Tucson (or 23 from the airport), turn left or south onto Route 286 towards Sasabe. Drive about 20 miles to the Elkhorn Ranch sign and mailboxes — on your right just past Mile Marker 26. Follow the dirt road seven miles to the ranch buildings. Be alert, as you may see a golden eagle, a herd of javelina or white tail deer, jackrabbits or some of the Elkhorn horses out at pasture!