

## 2017 MSR Treks

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Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation is proud to be a Nationally Accredited High Adventure Base. We are offering eleven different adventures for your troop or crew. Whether you are interested in taking in the vistas on foot at one of our four backpacking destinations, paddling through the great rivers of the north woods on our kayaking or canoe treks, or relaxing on sailboats in Lake Superior, there is sure to be a trek for you!

**TREK REGISTRATION INFORMATION - UPDATED**

- **January 2:** Registration opens. The \$125 non-refundable deposit per Scout or Adult must be paid when registering (Lake Superior Sailing has a "per boat" deposit amount. See below for more details.)
- **February 20 (11:59PM):** Trek registrations close for Apostle Islands, Boundary Waters, and Isle Royale.
- **April 3 (11:59PM):** Trek registrations close for the remaining Treks.
- **April 4-June 12 (11:59PM):** Pre-approval from the council and trek staff must be received to add participants, or begin a registration. Details about registration and payments will be provided by the council office, if approved.
- **June 12 (11:59PM), instead of the 5th:** May Invoice payments due for all treks

**TREKS OFFERED (ALL 6 WEEKS OF CAMP)**

[Apostle Islands Kayaking](#) – \$655

[Isle Royale Backpacking](#) – \$550

[Flambeau River/Flowage Canoeing](#) – \$425

[Ice Age Trail Backpacking](#) – \$350

[Manitowish River Canoeing](#) – \$425

[WI River Headwaters Canoeing](#) – \$450

[Boundary Waters Canoeing](#) – \$570 (9 days needed)

[Lake Superior Sailing](#) – SEE NOTE BELOW

[Porcupine Mountain Wilderness Area Backpacking](#) – \$425

**LAKE SUPERIOR SAILING TREK:** \$1,000 non-refundable deposit for each 6-man sailboat due when registering. **Total:** \$4,200 for 36ft (\$700 each for 6-man crew) or \$4,500 for 39ft (\$750 each for 6-man crew).

**TREK FEES COVER AND PROVIDE**

- Your Unit's licenses and permits
- Gear shakedown at camp
- Food, tent space at camp before/after trek
- Food, equipment, supplies during the trek
- Camping fees, vehicle passes, ferry passage (as needed)
- Transport food, supplies, guide, canoe trailer (as needed)

**GETTING READY FOR YOUR TREK**

We encourage constant and complete communication with camp staff and the council office about your expectations and needs. Please do not hesitate to call or email us with any concerns that you have. Our experienced High Adventure Staff can assist you with trip planning, skill development, what to bring, and how to get your unit ready for the next step in outdoor adventure. Don't miss these incredible opportunities!

**Participant Transportation is the Unit's Responsibility:** Local arrangements for participant transportation is subject to availability. Contact the camp directly to make these arrangements and payments. *The cost will be based on the destination and number of people being transported (so, it must be calculated on an individual trek basis).*

**REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL HIGH ADVENTURE TREKS (see the trek of your choice for their individual requirements)**

- **Age Requirements for Treks:** Scouts must be at least 13 years old to participate. **Exception:** Apostle Island Kayaking Scouts must be at least 14 years old to participate.
- **Medical Requirements:** Each participant must present a BSA Annual Health form (valid through the last day of trek). Parts A, B, & C must be filled out and/or approved by your physician (they must sign & date it for the date of the physical). Please have the physician use the National High Adventure Base details most closely related to your trek.
- **Adult Supervision for Backpacking and Canoeing Treks:** Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation provides an Adult Guide who can count as one of the "minimum 2 adults", as required by Youth Protection policy. We still highly recommend sending at least 2 adults from your Unit. ALSO: Certain treks may require the splitting of the group (for overnight camping, etc.), so there must be at least 2 Adult Leaders for each **sub-group**.

**TROOP PREPARATION** – In order to make the most of your High Adventure trek, you should work as a troop or crew

- **Physical Fitness:** Most, but not all, of our treks require long days of hiking or paddling. Scouts and Venturers who arrive fit and accustomed to full days on the trail will be better able to enjoy their treks. Training hikes and day trips make good troop or patrol programs.
- **Crew Cohesion:** Schedule meetings for trek registrants. Work together to build a team spirit while planning the trip. Crew training trips (hikes, day paddles, etc.) are excellent ways to improve fitness and cohesion.
- **Route Planning:** Even if you do not know the exact route of your trek, we recommend you familiarize yourself with maps of it. Encourage scouts to work on their map-and-compass skills.
- **Familiarity with Equipment:** Whenever possible, use clothing, boots, or gear at least once before taking it on a trek; practice setting up tents. The more comfortable you are with the equipment, the easier it will be on the trek.

**Reservation Information**

Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation

W6500 Spring Lake Road

Pearson, WI 54462

**You can call the camp staff starting June 15th, until August 5th:**

- Welcome Center (Main) Phone: 715-484-2346
- Fax: 715-484-3019
- Health Lodge: 715-484-8187

**Reservation Staff (you can email them at any time)**

- Reservation Director Brian Rasmussen [Brian@makajawan.com](mailto:Brian@makajawan.com)
- High Adventure Coordinator Patrick Specht [Adventure.MaKaJaWan@gmail.com](mailto:Adventure.MaKaJaWan@gmail.com)
- Kandle Dining Contact Person (for dietary requests and questions): Jara Bauer [Dietician@kandledining.com](mailto:Dietician@kandledining.com)