

## NOMAD

Camp Rainey Mountain's NOMAD (North Georgia Outdoor Mastery of Advanced Disport) program provides older Scouts with a holistic outdoor adventure experience. The trained NOMAD Staff accompanies Scouts as they head into the wilderness to encounter the great outdoors. Scouts will spend two-days and one-night off-site to complete the program.



Scouts will embark on a high energy adventure throughout the Appalachian foothills of North Georgia and North Carolina. Scouts will climb, kayak, and backpack throughout the week using their own equipment and specialty equipment supplied by Camp Rainey Mountain. Participants will work together and individually to tackle nature's obstacles and face fears head on with the help of our expertly trained and certified NOMAD Staff. It is our goal to build an experience that dually challenges and strengthens Scouts to become leaders and outdoor enthusiasts. On this outing, participants will have opportunities to fulfill requirements for the Climbing Merit Badge.

**BACKPACKING** Scouts will utilize the beautiful Bartram Trail and embark on a two-day overnight backpacking hike approximately 16 miles. The Bartram Trail is about 115 miles, 37.3 of which are nestled along the ridges of Northeast Georgia's mountain range. Accompanied by trained staff with experience in both Trek and Wilderness First Aid, campers will experience the outdoors first-hand.

**CLIMBING** During the week Scouts will travel to Pickens Nose in North Carolina for a day of rock climbing. Scouts will learn to belay and rappel one another and receive expert climbing instruction.



**WHITEWATER RAFTING** Multiple whitewater rivers flow through the mountains of Georgia and North Carolina, so to expand Scouts' knowledge and skill, they will paddle down sections of the Nantahala or Ocoee Rivers. Using appropriate protective gear, the NOMAD Staff will instruct Scouts on how to navigate their rafts through the numerous rapids of each river, providing the ultimate whitewater experience. Scouts will have an opportunity to work towards acquiring the Whitewater Merit Badges through this activity.



Scouts interested in the NOMAD program must be fourteen years of age or thirteen and have completed the eighth grade. The program will host up to eighteen Scouts and camp fees are an additional \$95. See the Be Prepared section below for packing items.