# Sorrel River Ranch Resort Moab, Utah Sorrel River Ranch is a rambling retreat amid the majestic Southwestern desert near Moab, Utah. The 160-acre ranch is surrounded by the Colorado River, dramatic landscapes, and majestic rock formations, and is a staging point for a life-changing immersion into the largerthan-life desert atmosphere. Amazing Don't worry though, you won't exactly be "roughing it" at the Sorrel River Ranch, a AAA Four Diamond resort that offers a fullservice spa, and concierge services, amid aweinspiring natural vistas. The ranch specializes in group and private horseback rides, and Cowgirl Exclusive prides itself on healthy and delicious farm-toplate dining. As far as an exclusive women's weekend is concerned, Sorrel River will make one for you and your friends and family. Getaways Take advantage of their curated health and wellness programs and soothe your soul with custom package like their Relax & Restore, Adrenaline & Zen, or grab life by the horns with their unbelievable Above & Beyond Adventure package that starts with you skydiving from an airplane into the resort. sorrelriver.com • 877-317-8244



# The Ranch at Rock Creek Philipsburg, Montana

## Autumn Harvest Weekend with LeAnn Rimes | October 2023

Secluded in one of Montana's most pristine valleys, The Ranch at Rock Creek's 19th-century homestead thrives in balance with its diverse ecosystem.

Luxurious accommodations, ranging from one-bedroom lodge studios to five-bedroom homes, are woven into our vast landscape. Western design echoes heritage more than a hotel–filled with deluxe amenities, custom furniture, and curated antiques, allowing guests to discover their homestead away from home.

Feast the West, as Executive Chef Josh Drage guides you on an epicurean tour of Montana. During the ranch's annual Autumn Harvest Weekend, they slow down for slow food and focus on the incredible local purveyors that make their ever-changing seasonal menus shine. This

weekend aims to delight all the senses—changing landscapes in golden and ruby hues; incredible flavors and aromas from the bountiful harvest; hands-on activities, like sapphire mining, cross-country mountain biking and archery; and heavenly sounds provided by Grammy award-winning singer and songwriter LeAnn Rimes, as well as a three-day lineup of Montana bands.

# Alisal Ranch Santa Ynez Valley, California

#### WILDWONDER Women's Retreat

In March, Alisal Ranch, the sprawling 10,500-acre luxury working dude ranch in California's Santa Ynez Valley, offers a women's-only experience that touches all senses.

The WILDWONDER Women's Retreat invites guests to embrace the spirit of the Women of the Wild West, who are unafraid to try something new and explore uncharted territory. Cultivating a community of inspiring individuals, WILDWONDER will celebrate the modern woman by learning from leading lady pioneers who tell their stories and share their skills with guests.

The all-inclusive stay features a multi-day itinerary of activities and events with female artisans, chefs, winemakers, cowgirls, wellness leaders, and more, as guests make new connections and participate in experiences that spark self-discovery and growth. Guests will also get to enjoy Alisal Ranch's signature Breakfast Ride, which takes guests through the rolling hills of the property via horseback or hayride to a historic adobe where an al fresco, chef-prepared breakfast awaits.

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## Hunewill Ranch Bridgeport, California

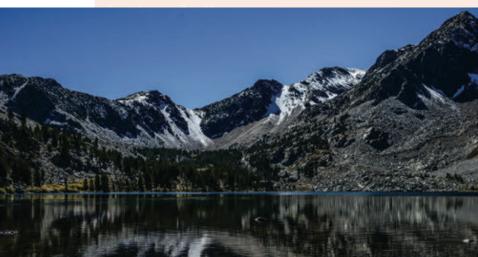
## High Sierra Cowgirl Vacation

Want a girl's getaway? Whether you come by yourself or with a group of friends, you are sure to enjoy these ladies only horseback retreats. Enjoy that special horse-to-woman bond, lope through meadows, move cows, ride through the high Sierra, and groom your equine buddy after a day spent horseback.

Hunewill Guest Ranch is located in Bridgeport, California, on the eastern slope of the beautiful Sierra Nevada Mountains bordering Yosemite National Park. This historic ranch is a working cattle and guest ranch. With over a hundred well-trained horses and a vast expanse of lush green meadows and scenic mountain trails, guests revel in the timeless traditional ranch life of the American West.

Hunewill offers 3 and 4-night packages that include meals, horseback riding, lodging, and ranch activities.

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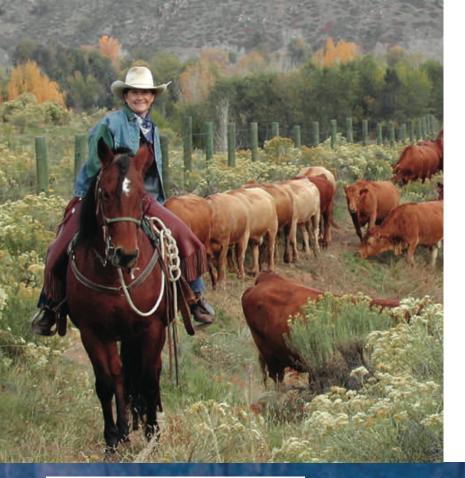
#### Cowgirl Spring and Fall Round Ups

A secluded 37,000-acre working cattle ranch in Western Montana, The Resort at Paws Up is where luxury, pleasure, and unspoiled wilderness meets Guests experience five-star amenities and unparalleled leisure while staying in luxury homes, secluded tree houses, and safari-styled tents for the ultimate in glamping!

At the Cowgirl Spring Round Up - April 21-24, get to know a real character such as yourself. Bring your inner cowgirl to life alongside some amazing Cowgirl Hall of Famers. You'll spend your days brushing up on your horsemanship and other key ranch skills with scenic trails rides, enlightening demonstrations, and interactive workshops. At night, you'll relive your adventure as you shoot the breeze around a roaring campfire. It will all be peppered with exceptional chef-prepared cuisine.

For the Cowgirl Fall Roundup - September 9-12, discover "The Story of the West, Written by Women." Spend three memorable days getting to know Cowgirl Hall of Famers, gleaning wisdom from workshops on everything from roping and riding to photography. Action-packed days are chased by gourmet meals designed around the season's wonderful bounty.

pawsup.com • 877-580-6343



## Sylvan Dale Guest Ranch

## Loveland, Colorado Cowgirl Roundup

Located in the Rocky Mountain foothills just 10 minutes from Loveland, Colorado, and an easy hour from Denver, you will be charmed by the sense of restful seclusion at Sylvan Dale Guest Ranch. Their cabins are nestled within a scenic valley and the Western lifestyle always encourages a good night's sleep and a hearty appetite. Sylvan Dale offers horseback rides through gentle terrain to extended climbing rides with ridge-top views. Their 3,200 acres offer a "don't fence me in" riding experience for all ages and abilities.

"Discover Your Inner Cowgirl" at Sylvan Dale's Cowgirl Roundup is a program design exclusively for women. Come alone, or with a friend, or bring your mom, your aunt, your sister, your daughter, your best friend, your neighbor, your coworker, your favorite cowgirl, but NO guys! This unforgettable stay is for ladies only.

Making friendships with other "cowgirls" and bonding with your Sylvan Dale horse makes this adventure a top of the "bucket list" experience.

sylvandale.com • 970-667-3915



#### Cactus Cowgirls | April 16-22, 2023

At White Stallion Ranch, the personal touch and hospitality of a traditional dude ranch is carefully blended with the service and amenities of a fine resort where you can reconnect with nature and ride through the unspoiled desert, rugged mountains, and cactus.

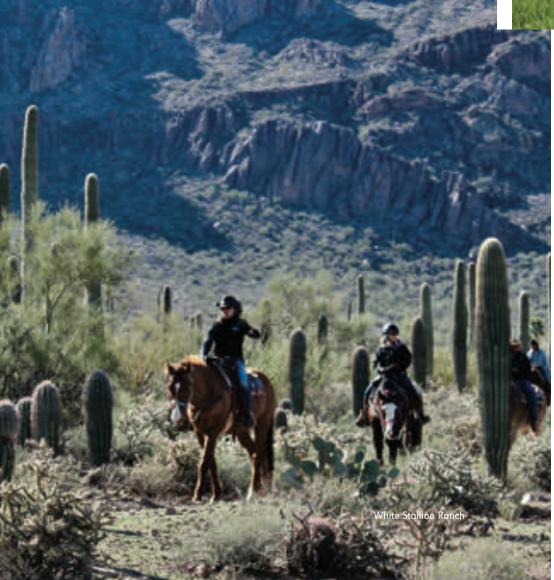
Submerge yourself in the Western spirit with days full of trail riding or can try your hand at team penning or try target shooting with a gun safety class. Sprinkled in with all these activities, you'll still have time to relax, bask in the warm Arizona sun, make new friends, and even sample a variety of Tequila!

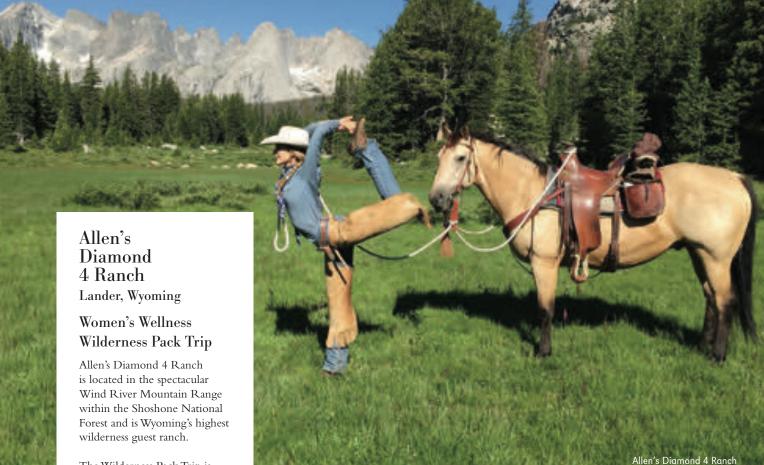
Your time can be as horsey or as horseless as you wish. You will have your very own horse that you can groom, bathe, learn to saddle, and ride. Or you can just show up for leisurely trail rides and leave the horse care to the professionals.

Your stay includes a margarita welcome party, a leather tooling class, yoga classes, instruction on horse safety, and methods to develop better communication with your horse.

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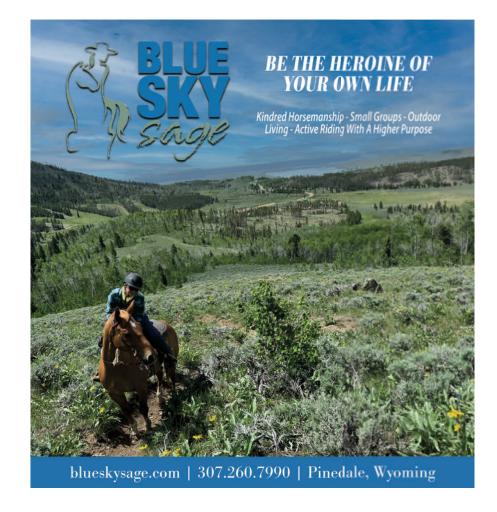




The Wilderness Pack Trip is the "heart" of the Women's Wellness Retreats created and led by Jessie Allen, the owner/ operator of the Diamond 4 Ranch. Jessie first started leading these retreats in 2014, after spending her lifetime working on the ranch. She created the Women's Wellness Trips as a way to welcome women from all stages of life to be immersed in the wilderness, focusing on horsemanship, outdoor skills, health & wellness, and building community.

Arrive at the ranch for a night in the cabins with dinner and breakfast in the lodge. The next morning, pack up the horses and ride about five hours into the wilderness to camp next to a mountain river with a gorgeous views and vistas while your horse grazes in the meadow nearby your tent. Practice yoga each morning alongside the horses, eat breakfast around the campfire, then ride to a myriad of lakes and scenic vistas where you can fly-fish, meditate, or just relax.

diamond4ranch.com



## Latigo Ranch Kremmling, Colorado

#### Women's Week | First Week of June

At the Latigo Ranch Women's Special Experience, guests will learn horsemanship skills and ride in spectacular Rocky Mountain splendor. An opportunity to meet new friends and have a great adventure together, guests can also spend some time with genuine working women of the West and hear their stories.

These talented women include Dee, the ranch farrier for over 3 decades, Lindy their large animal vet, and neighbors the Taussig women cattle ranchers. The Taussig's are scheduled to bring some of their momma cows and calves up to Latigo for summer pasture, adding to the adventure that week.

Participants in Women's Week will also have the opportunity to take aim with rifle, shotgun, single action revolver shooting, line dancing, breakfast, sunset, and covered wagon rides, fly fishing lessons, all-day horseback riding and moving cattle, as well as dips in the hot tub after a long day on the trail.

latigoranch.com • 970-724-9008



## Mountain Sky Guest Ranch Emigrant, Montana

## Wild West Women | May 2023

Mountain Sky sits on over 17,000 operational acres of unspoiled wilderness in the heart of Yellowstone Country. The property begins near the mighty Yellowstone River on the floor of the aptly named Paradise Valley, and continues upward through grass-covered foothills, meadows filled with sagebrush, thick pine forests, and stands of aspen until you reach the vast Gallatin National Forest at their back door.

Their Wild West Women Adventure allows women of all ages to connect with the land, to be a cowgirl, and enjoy an authentic guest ranch experience. With the opportunity to enjoy Montana's pristine Rocky Mountains just minutes from Yellowstone National Park, this is the perfect girls-only Western getaway.

In addition to daily trail rides, gals will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of unique horsemanship activities and interactive demonstrations on Mountain Sky's working cattle ranch. With vast acres of unspoiled ranch property and the Gallatin National Forest to explore, the ranch is a rider and hiker's dream. A 3-4 course gourmet meal is the perfect treat at the end of a long day, but save room for a night cap and some two-stepping to local musicians in the saloon!

mountainsky.com • 800-548-3392

## C Lazy U Ranch Granby, Colorado

## Julie Goodnight & Barbra Schulte Riding & Wholeness Retreat

Since 1919, the C Lazy U Guest Ranch in Colorado has been celebrated around the world for its rich history, rustic elegance, legendary cuisine, and signature service.

There can be no better way to combine the refined experience of a luxury guest ranch with the talents of two powerhouse horsewomen.

In April, join Julie Goodnight and Barbra Schulte for four nights and five days in the glorious Rocky Mountains to gain new riding skills, explore your passions, and indulge yourself in superior service and luxury at the renowned C Lazy U Guest Ranch.

Beyond improving your horsemanship with daily lessons from two of the most popular clinicians in the U.S., you will also enjoy guided trail rides on the expansive ranch, and you will learn strategies for navigating fear and stress!

This multidimensional riding retreat includes vacation time, horsemanship, and self-empowerment. It will leave you a more skilled horsewoman, refreshed and rejuvenated, to pursue what you love...in your own style...in any area of your life.

clazyu.com • 970-887-3344



## Circle Bar Ranch Hobson, Montana

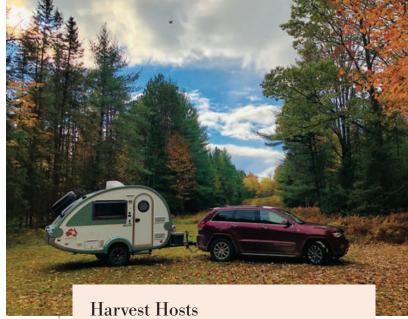
#### Big Sky Cowgirls | July 23-30, 2023

Explore the surrounding area of the Judith River Headwaters and the Little Belt Mountains during your Montana cowgirl dude ranch vacation. Ride where Charlie Russell once rode.

At an altitude of 5,000 feet, the Circle Bar features some of the best of Montana's summer weather. Escape to the mountains for a special ladies' program and meet new friends, adventure on horseback, learn new skills, and relax in the fresh mountain air.

Your stay includes a margarita welcome party, horseback riding, sport shooting and archery, horsemanship instruction and demos, and more. Some special highlights will include a half- day ride into the Helena-Lewis & Clark National Forest with a lunch break in the wilderness and an off-road/hiking trip to local caves.

circlebarranch.com • 406-272-3403



### Harvest Host Across America

### Going It on You Own

If you're a wanderer who likes to take travel and adventure into your own hands by hitting the road with a comfy trailer, fifth wheel living quarters, or RV, there is an amazing option for exploration.

Harvest Hosts is a network of wineries, breweries, distilleries, farms, and attractions that invite RVers to stay in 4170+ stunning camping sites across America. A yearly membership fee gives members unlimited access to stay overnight at any one of their Host's locations.

And some of the locations are downright stunning!

Requirements for joining the program are straightforward in that you must have a self-contained RV with a toilet, water tank, and inside cooking facilities, and no tents of any kind are allowed.

Aside from that, pick from some of the most beautiful and sometimes adventurous settings across America as you create your own Cowgirl Getaways, most importantly, at you own pace.

harvesthosts.com





For over 100 years, Lone Mountain Ranch has given travelers the true experience of Yellowstone Country. Just 18 miles beyond the northwest border of the park, tucked between the Montana Rockies, rivers, and grasslands, and only 40 minutes from the Bozeman Airport, this is where to find and enjoy the good things in life.

Lone Mountain Cowgirl Getaway at Lone Mountain Ranch is exclusively for the ladies. Bring your best friends, your sisters, mothers, daughters, or visit solo and make a few new girlfriends along the way for this fun-filled week of ranch adventures. Guests enjoy farm-to-table cuisine, evenings around a glowing campfire, scenic horseback trail riding, guided tours into Yellowstone National Park and live Western music to name a few of the experiences that leave the girls returning year after year!

Start your day with an early morning yoga session followed by a hearty breakfast before heading off for a full day of adventure. Spend the day in Yellowstone National Park, hike through the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem or spend your day on the back of horse all while disconnecting from your daily life while reconnecting with your ladies in nature. End the day with a trail ride to the ridgetop just in time for sunset with a glass of wine in hand.

lonemountainranch.com • 800-514-4644

## Blue Sky Sage Near Pinedale, Colorado

### Be the Heroine of Your Own Life

Blue Sky Sage offers several horseback riding retreats exclusively for women. "Be The Heroine of Your Own Life" encourages guests to take the reins of their lives back into their own hands with a willing horse partner to carry you. The wide-open spaces serve as the "dojo" and the week-long adventures aim to prioritize healing, health, and serenity of heart and mind.

Their "Horsewomen of a Certain Age" package is for women on the horsemanship journey, from a wide age range all walks of life. They have the common bond of the horse as a major fixture in their life and the program aims continue your horsemanship journey.

Blue Sky Sage has been a leader in women-only horseback riding vacations for over 23 years and promotes the discovery will be not only about instruction and learning in a supportive, non-judging environment, but an opportunity to retreat from day-to-day life, and reconnect with your spirit in the "off the grid" comfort of a beautiful and natural setting.

blueskysage.com • 307-260-7990



# Rancho de la Osa

Sasabe, Arizona

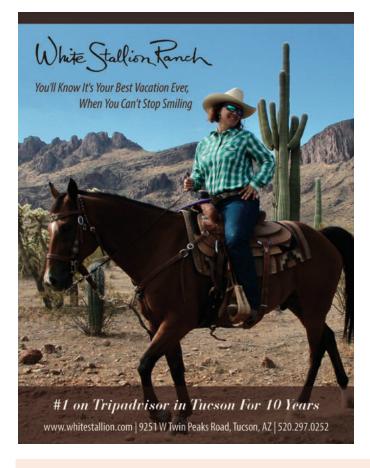
### True Girlfriend Getaway | March 9-12, 2023

Rancho de la Osa is not just a guest ranch, but an historic relic preserved through centuries of continued occupation. In 1916, Pancho Villa was said to have raided and attempted to take Rancho de la Osa. A cannonball from that attack was found embedded in the adobe wall of the Hacienda and is on display today.

When you combine amazing women, fabulous food, creative workshops, music, horseback riding, and Cowgirl Church with breakfast in the desert, you get the Cowgirl True Girlfriend Getaway Weekend.

Whether you are a real deal cowgirl, simply have the cowgirl spirit, or would just love to get away with your girlfriends, this is just the ticket. Hosted by singer/songwriter Belinda Gail, the cowgirl getaway is a physically rejuvenating and a faith based/spiritually refreshing weekend. It has just the right balance of fun activities and precious relaxation time and the lighthearted and adventurous cowgirl spirit permeates the entire weekend with heavy doses of laughter and camaraderie to bring it all together.

ranchodelaosa.com • 520-339-1086



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