

Camping – Backpacking – Campground – Scout Summer Camps are Open

- **Los Padres National Forest** – Mt. Pinos Ranger District – Fire Restrictions – Fire permits – Road and Trail Closures. Web site - <https://www.fs.usda.gov/lpnf/>

Casa Vieja Backpacking – Golden Trout Wilderness 4 mile RT

Casa Viejo Meadow is where Golden Trout dart under green grass banks and a scout peers in wonder if his drop line will catch one. This is a one hour backpack adventure from the trailhead which is East of the Blackrock Ranger Station where you fill out your Golden Trout Wilderness Permit. Blackrock is in the middle of the Kern Plateau on the Sherman Pass Rd accessible via the Kern River Road or Hwy. 395 turn West just north of the Ridgecrest exit. Suzanne Swedo. 2004. *Hiking California's Golden Trout Wilderness*. The Globe Pequot Press. 244p

Mt. Whitney Backpacking 5-7 Day

Backpacking summer is high adventure for scouts when they step out on the JMT and summit Mt. Whitney. Hitting the trail from the Onion Valley trailhead west of the town of Independence cresting Kersage Pass and Forester Pass will lead you South to the top of Mt. Whitney and exiting through the Portal. Or - continue on to New Army Pass and exit through Cottonwood Lakes and Horseshoe Meadows trailhead East of Lone Pine. Or hike the reverse! Camping at Crabtree meadows or Guitar Lake will allow you to day summit Whitney without packs.

Death Valley 2022 Campground Reservations

Plan ahead for unit car camping in Death Valley January 17th holiday or February 21st holiday. Visit Badwater – Furnace Creek Golf Course – build model rockets

Jokes

Do astronauts eat their dinner on satellite dishes? If space is a vacuum, who changes the bag?
Does killing time damage eternity? Do stars clean themselves with meteor showers?

Do they still publish Boys Life magazine? <https://scoutlife.org/>

Scout Life will continue to be published 10 times a year in two demographic versions: a Cub Scout version tailored to youth ages 5-10 and an older Scout edition for youth ages 11 to 17.

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