



The Miller Family 27000 W. Elkhorn Ranch Road Tucson, Arizona 85736 (520) 822-1040 office@elkhornranch.com www.elkhornranch.com

LET US CARE FOR YOU with traditional hospitality, warm friendship, the comforts of home, and outdoor adventures horseback riding or hiking.

#### RESERVATION AND PAYMENT

- To make a reservation contact the ranch office to check availability and hold space.
- To confirm your reservation, complete the APPLICATION FOR RESERVATION and send a 25% deposit. You will receive a written confirmation.
- Final payment is due at the end of your stay (note that for group reservations, the ranch may request full payment of the balance due in advance of arrival)
- Payment by check is preferred. You may also use a credit card at the ranch, by telephone, or via an online payment portal. Please note that credit card and online banking transaction fees will be charged.

### **GOOD TO KNOW**

- Most reservations are one week (defined as 6 or 7 nights)
- Arrival and departure on Sunday strongly preferred
- Check in time 4 pm, check out 10 am
- Minimum length of stay is 4 nights (Sun-Thurs or Weds Sun)
- Reservations may be made one year in advance
- Cabin preferences will be noted, but the ranch reserves the right to make final cabin assignments

**CANCELLATION POLICY** We respectfully ask that you monitor your health prior to traveling and choose not to visit if you are ill. Cancellations on all reservations (including groups) occurring 90 days or more prior to arrival are fully refundable. The 25% deposit on a cancellation occurring less than 90 days prior to arrival is non-refundable, but may be carried over to a future reservation within the following 2 seasons, less \$100 per person per week. (Note that for group reservations canceled less than 90 days prior to arrival, the 25% deposit may not be carried over to future season reservations.) For your protection, consider purchasing trip insurance through a reputable company you trust. The Dude Ranchers' Association [duderanch.org] provides recommendations as well.

**GROUPS** Elkhorn may consider a gathering of 10 or more people to be a group, subject to different policies. The ranch may request full payment prior to arrival, and the 25% deposit is non-refundable and non-transferable if the reservation is canceled within 90 days of arrival.

**ALL-INCLUSIVE DUDE RANCH AMERICAN PLAN RATES** include all food, lodging, riding and guided hiking. Service charge of 15% and sales tax (currently 8.27%) is added to all reservations. Children 5 and under are not charged, as they cannot ride. There is no non-riding rate. There is no single supplement. Other fees could include: transportation, personal laundry, store purchase, etc.

#### **GRATUITY POLICY**

A 15% service charge is added to all guest bills. These funds are held in a dedicated "crew fund" account and all funds are distributed to the ranch crew in lieu of direct tipping. Ranch crew do not expect direct tips. If you choose to provide additional gratuity, the Millers recommend that you express your gratitude via an additional payment to the crew fund when you settle your bill at the end of your visit.



### 2023/2024 LOYALTY PROGRAM

10% discount for returning guests if deposit is paid by check postmarked by September 1st

## 2023-2024 SEASON PER PERSON RATES

Rate Description	Rate Per Person	Total w/ 15% service charge and 8.7% Sales Tax	25% Deposit on rate only
Weekly Rates (6 or 7 nights) with additonal nights pro-rated — <b>Best Value Rates!</b>			
Adult Weekly	\$2456 per week	\$3028 per week	\$757 per week
Teen 16-19 weekly	\$1519 per week	\$1872 per week	\$468 per week
Youth 6-15 weekly	\$1271 per week	\$1567 per week	\$392 per week
Adult 2 week	\$2333 per week	\$5752 per 2 week	\$1438 per 2 week
Adult 3 week	\$2210 per week	\$8173 per 3 week	\$2043 per 3 week
Adult winter quiet*	\$2333 per week	\$2876 per week	\$719 per week
Nightly Rates for 4 or 5 night stay			
Adult nightly	\$376 per night	\$2347 per 4 nights	\$587 per 4 nights
Teen 16-19 weekly	\$314 per night	\$1548 per 4 nights	\$387 per 4 nights
Youth 6-15 nightly	\$254 per night	\$1252 per 4 nights	\$313 per 4 nights
Adult nightly	\$476 per night	\$2934 per 5 nights	\$733 per 5 nights
Teen 16-19 weekly	\$314 per night	\$1935 per 5 nights	\$484 per 5 nights
Youth 6-15 nightly	\$254 per night	\$1566 per 5 nights	\$391 per 5 nights

\*Winter quiet rates require arrival and departure between November 26, 2023 and December 17, 2023





# RANCH INFORMATION

2023-2024 Season • November 12, 2023 — April 28, 2024

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**TRANSPORTATION** Please let us know your travel plans at least two weeks before your arrival. Elkhorn Ranch is about a 1 1/2 hour drive from Tucson International Airport or a solid 3 hour drive from Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport. We recommend that you rent a car if you are able and comfortable doing so. The ranch has limited airport transportation services. We will not mix separate parties on airport runs unless both parties agree in advance. This will limit the number of airport transport runs we can take and our ability to minimize wait times. (Also note that Elkhorn does not provide transportation service on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.) Please contact the ranch office for more information about our shuttle service and alternate sources of transport to and from the ranch.

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS FROM TUCSON** From Tucson, head southwest on Route 86, the Ajo Highway. From the Tucson airport, head west on Valencia Road to reach Route 86. From Route 86 / Ajo Highway, head southwest until you reach Three Points or Robles Junction. Turn south on Route 286 / Sasabe Highway and go about 20 miles south until you see the Elkhorn Ranch sign and mailboxes on the right or west side of the road, between milepost 26 and 25. Follow the dirt road 7 miles towards the mountains, until you reach the very end. At about the 5.5 mile mark, you will see a red metal gate within wooden corrals — you'll need to open the gate, and then close it behind you. You're almost there! Upon arrival at the ranch buildings, follow signs to the ranch office. Be alert as you may see a golden eagle, a herd of javelina or white tail deer, jackrabbits, Elkhorn horses out at pasture or our neighbors' cattle!

**ITINERARY FOR THE WEEK** begins and ends with most guests' Sunday arrival and departure. The schedule may change occasionally, especially during the Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year holidays. Meal times remain steady, with breakfast from 7:30 – 8:30 am, lunch at 12:30 pm, and supper at 6:30 pm (holiday feasts at 1 pm are a noteworthy exception). Morning rides depart at 9:30 am and afternoon rides depart at 2 pm. Guided hikes are available Monday through Friday and generally follow the same schedule as rides.

**SUNDAY** No guided hiking nor riding. Check in at 4 pm. Meet & Greet party at the dining room at 5:45 pm followed by supper from the BBQ.

MONDAY + TUESDAY Morning and afternoon rides and hikes

**WEDNESDAY** Morning and afternoon rides and hikes AND all-day rides.

**THURSDAY** Morning rides and hikes only after January 1st. A good day for sightseeing, hiking or pool time. Steak BBQ and festivities at the dining room at 5:45 pm. **FRIDAY** Morning and afternoon rides and hikes AND all-day rides

**SATURDAY** Rides to and from the desert picnic. Non-riders drive to the desert picnic.

**SUNDAY** Departure with check out by 10 am.

**CHECK IN + OUT** An ideal arrival time falls between 4 – 5 pm and ideal departure time is 10 am at the latest. When you book a return flight, keep in mind that you'll need to leave Elkhorn Ranch a minimum of 3 hours ahead of your Tucson departing flight and 5 hours ahead of your Phoenix flight. If you have extra time in Tucson, we highly recommend a trip to the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum.

**CHILDREN** Children are very welcome. Please note that we do not have a supervised children's program nor babysitting services. Kids aged six and older can ride with other kids or with their parents. We are pleased to help them learn to ride. Families are responsible for supervising their children at the swimming pool — Elkhorn Ranch does not provide a lifeguard at the pool. If you are bringing a child with you under age 18, for whom you are not the parent or guardian, you will need to bring a completed *Participant Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement* with you for that minor. Contact the office to get the agreement well ahead of time.

RIDING + SAFETY Out of respect for our horses, we have a 250 pound weight limit on all riders. Children must be 6 or older to ride. 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 pantyhose 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 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 very important to us. Please help the Elkhorn Ranch guides keep you safe by reading the riding tips in your cabin notebook, ask questions as you go, and pay attention to your guide, your horse, and the people and situation around you.

**FOOD + 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 two weeks before your arrival so that we can shop and plan accordingly. With advance notice, we are happy to make cakes for birthdays or anniversaries! Please feel free to discuss any medical or other situations that might require special attention during your visit. Elkhorn has a long and successful history of helping people ride safely and happily well into their senior years and we work hard to accommodate other situations. We greatly appreciate your efforts to be up-front with us about your family member's medical concerns or suite of abilities or disabilities — we in turn will be honest about what we feel we can do safely, particularly with regard to riding. We have found that many guests with declining health enjoy many extra years at Elkhorn by traveling with a family member or companion.

**PACKING + GEAR** Ranch guests and crew wear casual clothing. Jeans are recommended for riding. Elkhorn laundry service provides a one day turn around, every day except Sunday. 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.

**SHIPPING + STORAGE** 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. Please do not ship parcels via the US Postal Service. You are also welcome to store a box or trunk at Elkhorn.

**COMMUNICATION** Wireless internet and phone are available in the ranch computer room.