Welcome to the Global Adventures Information Session

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- Survey input > Overview of the Presentation

Presentation is being recorded.

Your questions (from survey)

- 1. I'd like to know more about how to participate in future Global Adventures (84%)
- 2. I'd like to know more about how to become a Global Adventures leader (25%)

3. What goes into the research and planning stage for making decisions about where and when to go?

What is a "Global Adventure"?

- Any multi-day non-course Mountaineers trip in North America where participants pre-pay the Mountaineers for some or all of their trip arrangements.
 - Includes Hawaii, Alaska, Canada and Mexico.
 - Doesn't usually include transport to the start of the trip.
- 2. Any Mountaineers trip leaving North America.
- 3. Any foreign exchange.

GA's Role in the Mountaineers

Global Adventures vision: Extend the Mountaineers mission, and expand our members' horizons and skills, through safe, well-run multi-day outdoor adventures around the world.

- Memorable, transformative experiences
- Enable members to confidently embrace different cultures, travel challenges and outdoor adventures in new places

Global Adventures....:

- Often include most/all arrangements like ground transport, lodging, meals, permits etc., and you pay a single 'trip price'.
- Are carried out by our most experienced Mountaineers activity leaders, certified and active in the activities that they want to lead on the adventure.
- Meet or exceed technical and training requirements and standards defined by our activity committees.
- Extra review and risk management

Where have we been?

97 Global Adventure trips during the period 1969-1999, 136 trips from 2000-to-present

Since 2000:

- 58% trekking, hiking, backpacking
- 34% skiing (cross-country, downhill, backcountry)
- 5% climbing Nepal & US
- Destinations: 42% went to the Alps,19% N America, 13% Himalaya, 8% Central/South America

Let's look at some of the places....!

Unforgettable Places









North Patagonian Icefield, Chile



10th century church, Turkey



Machu Picchu

Life-List Adventures



Pembrokeshire Coast, UK



Northern Alps, Japan



Red Rocks, Nevada



Sölden ski resort, Austria



Mera Peak, Nepal



Huemul Circuit, Patagonia

Amazing people, food and culture



Schoolkids in Khatmandu



Temple in Bhutan



Stupa in Nepal



Amazing seafood in Portugal



Folk music in Wales



Sharing mate, Cochamo, Chile

OUR UNIQUE VALUE PROPOSITION FOR MOUNTAINEERS MEMBERS

- Experienced leaders they come to know and trust.
- Culture of personal responsibility and mutual support – not just a group of solo travelers being led around by a guide.
- Focus on teaching, mentoring, building confidence and skills
- Culture of preparedness and safety



OUR UNIQUE VALUE PROPOSITION FOR MOUNTAINEERS MEMBERS



- Mountaineers are fit with proven skills, so itineraries can be more active and technically demanding (though they don't have to be).
- We build a community of fellow travelers - enhances the experience and builds long-term friendships

OUR UNIQUE VALUE PROPOSITION FOR MOUNTAINEERS MEMBERS

We broaden horizons and passion for conservation by introducing people to cultures, people and wild places

in other countries.

Outstanding value

 group rates,
 experienced
 volunteer leaders,
 unique itineraries



HOW WE DECIDE WHEN AND WHERE TO GO?

- Leader experience and interest
- Unique and off-the-beaten-track itineraries
- Must be sponsored by a Mountaineers Activity Committee that the leader is an active leader for
 - Can include short segments of other activities if contracted with a competent third party outfitter or vendor
- Time of year favorable for success, with acceptable risk level
- Usually posted 8 months to a year in advance

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Becoming a Global Adventure Leader Minimum Qualifications

Domestic:

Active Mountaineers leader in activity(ies) being proposed

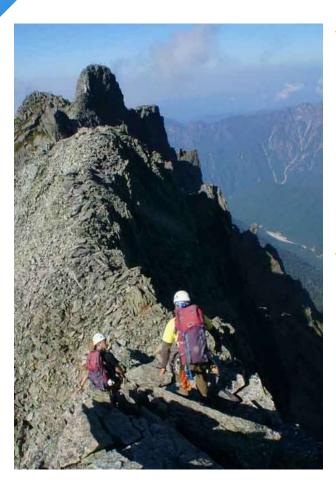
Experience organizing and leading multi-day, complex

trips

- First Aid/Medical
- Group Leadership Skills
- Participated in a Global Adventure (or equivalent)



Becoming a Global Adventure Leader (continued)



- To lead <u>international</u> trips of low to moderate risk, add:
 - Familiarity with the region (risks, hazards, logistics)
 - International trip planning, logistics & group leading experience
- To lead <u>higher risk</u> trips, add:
 - Track record of safety and effective risk management under those higher risk conditions
 - Demonstrated high level of leadership judgment and technical skills/ knowledge.

The Connection to Mountaineers Activity Committees

Mountaineers activity committees certify and train leaders, set technical and safety standards

for their activity.

The Global Adventures committee then oversees trip planning, financial management, logistics and risk review-oversight.



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Approval of New Leaders

Review and Approval of New Leaders

- Application
- Interview
- References
- Endorsement of Activity Chair(s)

PLANNING AND PROPOSING YOUR GLOBAL ADVENTURE

Our leaders choose their destinations and design their itineraries, built around a Mountaineers activity

- Route and schedule of activities including all logistics
- Cost estimates for major items to be included in the trip price
 - Ground transport
 - Lodging, Food
 - Luggage transfers
 - Permits/passes, entrance fees, lift tickets
 - Outfitters, guides, support services
 - Direct leader expenses including airfare



PLANNING AND PROPOSING YOUR GLOBAL ADVENTURE

Next is an in-depth review and approval process

- ▶ Preliminary proposal and risk assessment → review and revision
- Detailed proposal and budget review and revision
- Final approval posting on the website
- Can take 2-3 months
- Review process and requirements more intensive for higher-risk trips

COVID 19 Considerations

Run a trip or not?

Local infection and vaccination rates, safety practices

Entry rules, testing, restrictions on movement and activities

Ability to operate the trip while protecting your participants and the communities you visit

Availability of insurance, rescue services and medical care

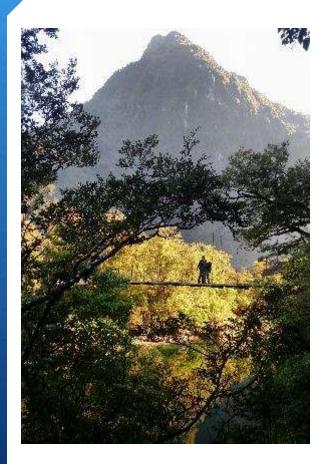
Stay safe while on the trip

- Public vs. private transport
- Avoid large groups, crowded places
- Masking

Extra logistics Forms and documentation

- Getting tested and waiting for results
- Contingency plans if someone gets sick
 Constant monitoring of ever-changing situation and rules/restrictions
- May need to cancel or postpone at the last minute

AFTER TRIP APPROVAL....



The trip is listed on the website and opened for registration.

{Let's quickly look at how to find a Global Adventure trip, and get set up to be notified for future ones!}

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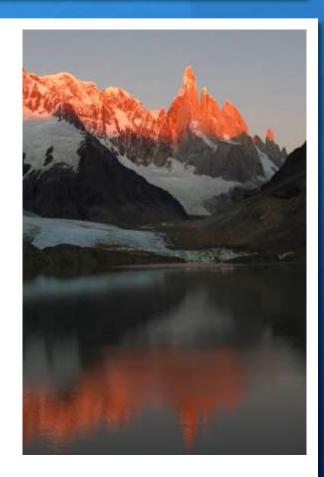
AFTER TRIP APPROVAL....



- A budget is set up with Mountaineers accounting and they handle the money
- Participants can then apply for spots on the trip.
 - Application form
 - Deposit or full trip price (if <\$1000) required to secure a spot.
 - Qualifications reviewed closely before approval to join

AFTER TRIP APPROVAL....

- Once deposits are in hand, leaders begin to finalize trip arrangements
 - The leader pays vendors and gets reimbursed, or requests Mountaineers accounting to make payments
- The leader provides in-depth advance communications to help participants with planning and clear expectations
- Safety and Emergency Plan anticipates hazards and includes daily contact details, info on emergency resources

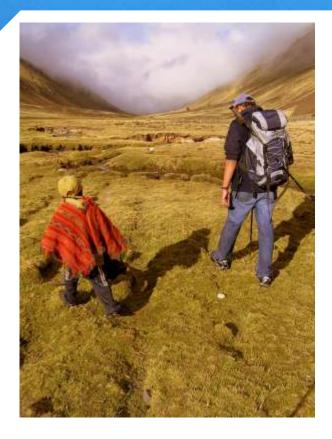


Question: How do you find and book hotels/huts for large groups on a tight schedule?



- We make arrangements well in advance
- Every night's lodging is typically nailed down rather than left flexible
- We may use booking agents if the schedule is tight or communications with huts are challenging
- Local outfitters can provide access to routes, lodgings and emergency support you can't find online

DURING THE TRIP....



- The leader oversees logistics, payments and day to day decisions during the trip, but participants share responsibility for safety and trip success leader is NOT a "tour guide".
- Leader maintains detailed expense records and stays on budget.

AFTER THE TRIP....

- ❖ Actual vs. plan spending report
- Trip report
- Safety incident reporting
- Feedback requested by Global Adventures committee



Global Adventures & the website



Global Adventure - Backpack Across the Andes of Argentine Patagonia from Bariloche to Tronador

GLOBAL ADVENTURES & BACKPACKING TRIP

Backpack far off the beaten track for 8 days across the Ande... Difficulty: Strenuous

Wed, Feb 16, 2022 - Sat, Feb 26, 2022

No Prerequisites, Leader's Permission Required

AVAILABILITY:

participants on waitlist

Registration closed Sep 20

The Mountaineers Branch **LEADER:** Cheryl Talbert



Global Adventure - Explore the Volcanoes, Rainforests and Hot Springs of Chile's Dramatic Lakes District

GLOBAL ADVENTURES & DAY HIKING TRIP

DATES STILL TENTATIVE! Transfer from the Argentina Adven...

Difficulty: Moderate/Strenuous

Sun, Feb 27, 2022 - Sun, Mar 6, 2022

No Prerequisites, Leader's Permission Required

AVAILABILITY:

participant

Registration closed Sep 20

The Mountaineers Branch LEADER: Cheryl Talbert



Global Adventure - Cross-country Ski in Norway

GLOBAL ADVENTURES & CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING TRIP

A two week lodge-based trip in which we will cross country sk...

Difficulty: N3 Nordic Intermediate Ski

Sun, Mar 6, 2022 - Sat, Mar 19, 2022

No Prerequisites, Leader's Permission Required

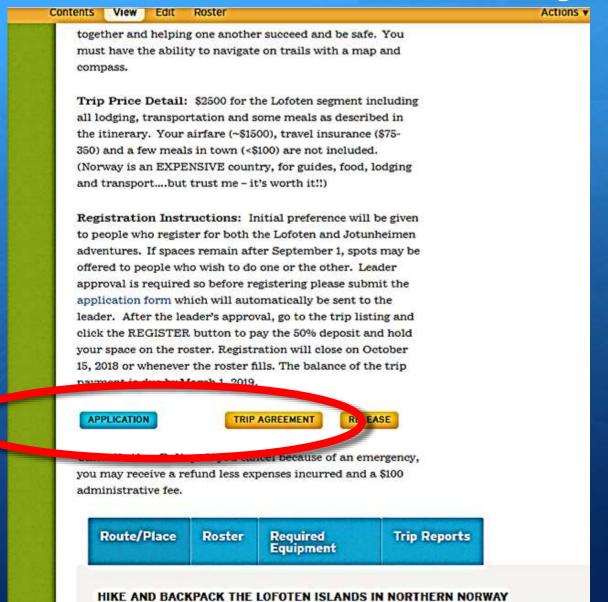
AVAILABILITY:

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participants leaders
Registration closes Dec 17

The Mountaineers Branch LEADER: Cindy Hoover

Example: Online Application, Trip Agreement and Release forms imbedded in each Global Adventure listing



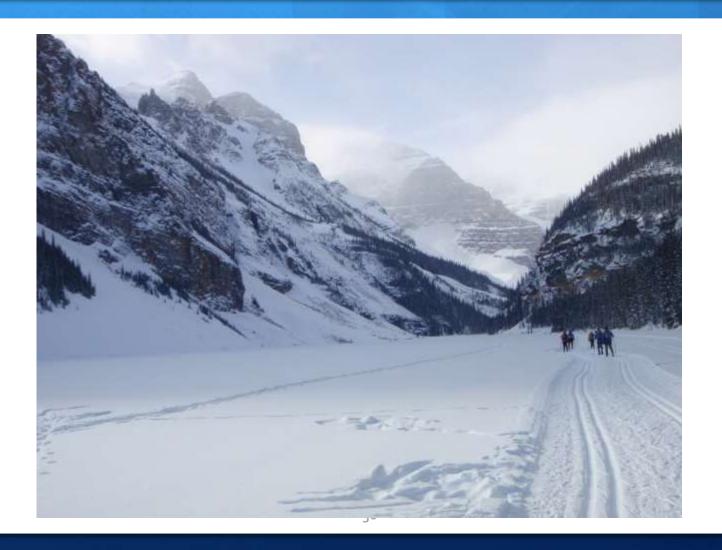
What trips may be coming?

Our Leaders' "Wall of Dreams"

Yellowstone – ski Vanoise French Alps – trek Colorado Trail – backpack Solvenia/Croatia – trek Armenia/Georgia - trek Kenya – photo Picos de Europa – hike Lewis & Clark trail Bears Ears - backpack Napali Coast – backpack Kyrgyzstan – trek

Pyrennes – backpack Corsica – trek Australia – trek British Columbia – ski Alps – Via Ferratas Ecuador – naturalist Pembrokeshire Coast Path & Snowdonia – hike Tour of the Matterhorn/ Monte Rosa – trek Alaska – Lake Clark backpack

Q&A for potential GA Participants

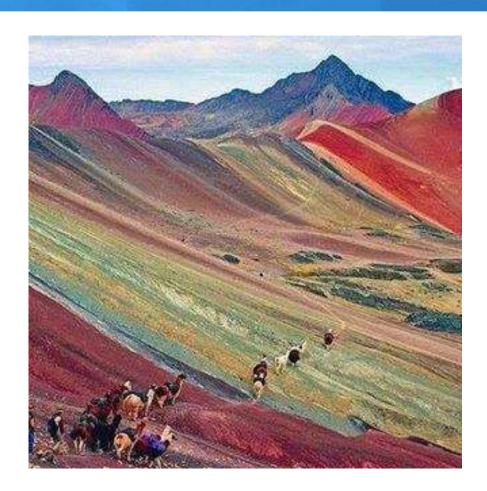


Q&A for potential GA Leaders



Interested in becoming a GA Leader?

- Application link
- Poll Spring Training?
- Q&A



Thank you!