

# LESS TRAVELED TRAILS

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Reduced Rate!!!  
GUIDE'S CHOICE  
BACKPACK



...I took the road less traveled by,  
and that has made all the difference.  
Robert Frost

Spring 2026



## Bandelier Wilderness Backpack

Bandelier National Monument

Friday-Sunday, April 17-19, 2026

3 openings



*We look forward to planning, preparing for the outing, and providing for a wonderful experience. [Less Traveled Trails](#) is a registered business, insured, authorized for public lands; a member of [Santa Fe Professional Tour Guides Association](#); a trail adopter of [Continental Divide Trail Coalition](#); and a certified Wilderness First Responder, Leave No Trace practitioner, and food handler.*

### The Trip

Northern New Mexico offers a variety of alpine and high desert terrain to explore in the Fall. Monsoon rains over, temperatures cooler. Our destination will be the backcountry of [Bandelier National Monument](#). Hiking at 6,000-8,000 feet on our out-and-back trail route, we will cross the mesas and canyons, with far-reaching vistas as we pass by evidence of ancient communities. Our camp for two nights will be in Capulin Canyon, a perennial water source. There will be time to explore the fascinating Painted Cave on the middle layover day.

### The Yurt

Less Traveled Trails provides all meals, snacks, water treatment, water bottles, cooking equipment, stove and fuel, personal utensils, toilet paper, and first aid supplies. Large gear items—backpacks, tents, sleeping bags, and sleeping pads—are available to rent at no charge. Helping with the gear and cooking is encouraged in our wilderness

community. A recommended gear list is provided as part of our pre-trip preparation. Gear available for backpackers at no additional charge: backpack, sleeping bag, pad, tent, and trekking poles.

### Logistics

Our trips are based out of Santa Fe. We will meet up in Santa Fe and head to the trailhead from there. I am happy to meet with you before the trip to get acquainted, discuss gear, and make final trip preparations. Less Traveled Trails can provide comfortable transportation for up to a full party of three, including our gear. [The drive](#) from Santa Fe takes about 60 minutes and is quite scenic. White Rock is also a meet-up option. The outing lasts from 8:00 am the first day to 5:00 pm on the last day.

### Cost & Payment

Reduced rate: \$595 fee per backpacker (\$280 savings off standard 3-day rate), inclusive of taxes, fees, permitting, and all food. A deposit reserves your place on the trip. Payment is by Venmo, PayPal, or Zelle.



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