



Hike the 'Ologies

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with Connie B. Burkhart

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Welcome to Hike the 'Ologies!

Explore the geology, paleontology, archaeology, anthropology, and history of Ghost Ranch and the surrounding area through easy-to-moderate hikes to places that tell the stories of the rocks, the people, and the fossilized life of the past. Learn how these 'ologies' fit together, bringing history to life as we set the stage with lectures and adventures out in the field, visiting sites and important geologic areas. Participants must be able to hike at 6,500ft in elevation on uneven terrain, carrying a light pack for water and a sack lunch, as several of our hikes will take us out in the wilderness until early afternoon. This earth science-based hiking excursion is a signature program developed and led by Connie B. Burkhart, who weaves together the narrative of the past, taking us back to the period when the first dinosaurs roamed the land that is now Ghost Ranch. Come join this immersion into the 'Ologies' and hike the stories of the land and legends of the ones whose footprints echo through time.



Itinerary:

SUNDAY: ARRIVAL AFTER 3PM. Orientation after dinner

MONDAY: GEOLOGY

(Pick up your box lunch at breakfast)

Lecture in classroom

Drive/Hike to geologic sites on Ghost Ranch & the Abiquiu area

Box Lunch in the field. Return to the ranch around 3pm.

EVENING: Free

TUESDAY: PALEONTOLOGY

Drive/Hike to various sites on and off Ghost Ranch

(Meet at the van at 9am in dining hall parking area)

Lunch back at the ranch / museum open for you to visit

EVENING: 7pm Dinosaurs Alive IMAX film featuring Ghost Ranch / Classroom

WEDNESDAY: ARCHAEOLOGY

(Pick up your box lunch at breakfast)

Drive/Hike to archaeology sites.

(Meet at the van at 9am in dining hall parking area)

Box Lunch in the field. Return to the ranch around 3pm.

EVENING: Conversations and Questions / Classroom



THURSDAY: ANTHROPOLOGY / HISTORY

Drive/Hike to Ghost Ranch and Abiquiu historic sites

(Meet at the van at 9am in the dining hall parking area)

Lunch back at the ranch

EVENING: Free or optional classroom time

FRIDAY: ALL THE 'OLOGIES'

(Pick up your box lunch at breakfast)

Drive/Hike at Ghost Ranch location

(Meet at the van at 9am in the dining hall parking area)

Box Lunch in the field. Return to the ranch around 3pm.

EVENING: 6:45pm Circle Up gifting circle in classroom

SATURDAY: Depart after breakfast