

Chalk Draw Sample 4-Day Itinerary

Itinerary is just an example of activities that are offered at Chalk Draw Ranch. Some activities are available only during certain times of the year and at an additional cost. Please inquire when booking. Meals and non-alcoholic beverages included. Customer provides own transportation and alcohol.

Day 1

3 pm - On arrival at Big Bend National Park, you will be met by Ranch Manager Chris Hinson at the Persimmon Gap Entrance and escorted the rest of the way to your accommodations at Chalk Draw Ranch.

4 pm - After settling in to your rooms, staff will provide you with a tour of the grounds, provide a history of the ranch and orient you with a ranch map. The Mexico hacienda-style guesthouse at Chalk Draw Ranch feels like a luxury resort in the middle of the desert. It sits on a manicured lawn, just steps away from a glittering swimming pool that looks out onto the Santiago Mountains. Inside, you'll find two bedrooms and two bathrooms, with a fully equipped kitchen, outdoor cooking and dining area, and a spacious living room.

4 pm - Accompanied by ranch staff, you will set out to the top of Black Mountain for a quick hike to an ancient indian pictograph and then enjoy the sunset with a snack and cocktail of your choice.

7 pm - Chef-prepared dinner at the guesthouse and then relax by the pool or head to the rooftop deck for drinks as the sun sets for stunning views of the Texas sky. Big Bend National Park region is designated as an International Dark Sky Park – one of just 10 in the world. It offers the darkest skies in the lower 48 states, so the star viewing is unparalleled.

Day 2

8 am - Chef-prepared breakfast at the guesthouse.

9 am - Depart for a guided hike of Bee Cave Canyon, the largest rock shelter in the Big Bend region.

12 pm - Chef-prepared lunch at the guesthouse.

1:30 pm - Drive 45 minutes to YE Mesa and enjoy a guided hike or drive to the top of the mesa (5,200 feet) or for those looking for a more casual adventure, a guided hike around the base of the mesa. Get a close-up view of Santiago Peak, which at 6,500 feet, was used as a lookout by the Apache.

8 pm - Chef-prepared dinner at the guesthouse and swim in the pool or after-dinner cocktails on the rooftop of the main house.



Day 3

8 am - Chef-prepared breakfast at the guesthouse.

9 am - Depart for a guided hike of the Red Mountains.

12 pm - Chef-prepared lunch at the guesthouse.

2 pm - Depart for an afternoon wildlife viewing drive, spend a few hours relaxing by the pool or arrange for mountain bike rentals and ride through the Chihuahuan Desert landscape. 7 pm - chef-prepared dinner under the stars.

Day 4

8 am - breakfast 11 am - departure