

MindStretch Travel Adventures

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MindStretch Travel Adventures is not your ordinary summer camp. Our boys' travel experiences offer kids the opportunity to do camp kinds of activities combined with the advantages of travel without the mosquitoes or lumpy camp bunks. We stay busy during the days enjoying a variety of activities boys like to do.

Activities vary with each trip and location but are all chosen to be kid-approved. At the end of the day we return to our motel to relax, go swimming in the pool, and get cleaned up before going out to dinner in a sit-down



restaurant where boys get to choose from the menu. It's quite a combination! Many boys attend year after year though there's always room for new "campers" to join us. And no two days are ever the same!

A Little History

Mark Levin is the program's director. He started taking boys on trips in 1978 and has never stopped. Mark is assisted by fellow teachers (both active and retired) as well as a parent or two from time to time. Parents are welcome to ask about helping out on their son's trip. Mark's "day" job is teaching school. There are always three or four adult leaders on each trip and older boys can ask about helping as "trip assistants."

Where We Go

Over the years we've been to over 30 states and over 15 different countries. During that time some favorite destinations have emerged including Wyoming & Montana, Colorado Rockies, New England, Canada, and Europe (where we travel by train using our Eurail passes). Our closer-to-home destinations have included the mountains of West Virginia, North Carolina, Virginia, and Tennessee.

Check out the MTA website at **MindStretchAdventures.com** for details on our upcoming adventures as well as plenty of additional information about the MTA program. A list of references from parents of boys who have traveled with us is readily available.

Wow – what a wonderful trip! I have enjoyed hearing all about the trip. Our son had a great time! These boys probably won't realize what an incredible experience this was for them for a while. It truly was a growing experience in so many ways. You have an amazing program and you provide an incredible time for these boys – I cannot thank you enough for putting up with the crazy boy antics - and all that goes with it - in order to do these trips!



Striking it rich mining for gemstones in 2015.

- From a parent



Our "Campers"

Programs are generally open to boys age 9 and older. MTA is not a wilderness program and activities are chosen with all boys in mind. Boys usually come from several different schools and we often have boys from different states on some trips. The leaders work with the boys from day one to see that everyone feels welcome and comfortable and part of the group.

And please don't keep us a secret. Tell your friends about our programs and become a friend on Facebook.

2016 Adventures

MindStretch Travel Adventures will be offering two great trips in 2016. Check our website at **www.MindStretchAdventures.com** for all the details.

West Virginia - Tennessee Mountains / June 12-19, 2016 (8 days)

It's really nice to have so many fantastic places within an easy day's drive. We'll spend the West Virginia portion of our trip (five nights) in Lewisburg. From our "base camp" we'll enjoy bicycling along the Greenbrier River Trail (a Rails-to-Trails conversion), take an underground tour at Lost World Caverns, go tubing on the Greenbrier River, ride the rails on the Cass Scenic Railroad, go hiking in Beartown State Park, try our hand at gemstone mining, and experience one of the greatest government secrets ever kept at the Greenbrier Resort. We'll move to Tennessee for our last two nights in the Pigeon Forge area where we'll spend our last full day at DollyWood Theme Park. We're packing a lot of punch into these eight days.

Wyoming - Montana / July 10 -23, 2016 (14 days)

Wild, wonderful, and incredible! Boys on this trip will get a chance to explore some of the best scenery, wildlife, and adventures in the United States including a week spent in and around the Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks. Some highlights will include rafting on the Yellowstone River, touring the Buffalo Bill Historical Center, taking a horseback ride on a dusty trail, enjoying an authentic cowboy cookout and entertainment at the Bar J Ranch, taking in a rodeo, and tons more. We'll spend several nights in Jackson Hole, Wyoming; Gardiner, Montana; Cody, Wyoming...and Dubois, home of the six-foot jackalope!

Bring your camera and expect to see bison, elk, antelope, bighorn sheep...and if we're lucky...bears, wolves, and moose!

We hope you'll be interested in learning more about our MindStretch Travel Adventures programs and joining us on a future trip. Complete up-to-date information can be found on the MTA website - **www.MindStretchAdventures.com**. Don't hesitate to email or call.



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