

ELK EXPEDITIONS

SEPTEMBER 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21,
24, 25, 26, 27, 28 - 2020

OCTOBER 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 - 2020



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COURSE LEVEL: I

COURSE #s: S7101-S7124

FEE: \$50 PER ADULT, \$25 PER CHILD AGES 12 AND UNDER

LOCATION: Rocky Mountain National Park, **Fall River Visitor Center** located at 3450 Fall River Rd. just before the north entrance to Rocky Mountain National Park in Estes Park, Colorado.

TIME: SEPTEMBER TOURS - 5:00 PM - DUSK (7:00 -7:30 PM)

OCTOBER TOURS - 4:30 PM - DUSK (6:30 - 7:00 PM)

It is recommended that participants arrive early for their tours to fill out paperwork before departure.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: The fall rut is a spectacular display of elk mating behavior which includes bugling, posturing, and herding. This widely attended and extraordinary event will be available for viewing from the comfort of a 14-passenger bus or 12-passenger van staffed by a professional educational guide who will discuss elk ecology, interpret activity, and answer questions pertaining to elk. Elk artifacts such as antlers, skulls, and fur will also be available for participants to see and touch.

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This bus tour will include stops along the road for viewing wildlife. Participants may get out to take pictures, but no significant walking will be required.

EXPECTATIONS: Professional conduct will be expected from participants at all times. Individual ideas will be respected. Except during course breaks, cellular phones, pagers, and personal entertainment devices are strictly prohibited in the classroom and during field sessions.

TENTATIVE COURSE SCHEDULE:

4:30 PM (October) or 5:00 PM (September) – Depart Fall River Visitor Center for viewing points in RMNP.

7:00 PM (October) or 7:30 PM (September) – Arrive back at Fall River Visitor Center.

WHAT TO BRING:

* Snacks, energy bars, and **WATER**

* Binocular

* Camera

REMEMBER TO BRING THE 10 ESSENTIALS:

Rocky Mountain National Park recommends that hikers always carry the 10 essentials in their daypacks.

- Raingear
- Map and compass
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Sunglasses and sunscreen
- Candles
- Matches or other fire starter
- Pocketknife
- First-aid kit
- Extra layers of clothing
- Sack lunch, snacks, and water

Note: Rocky Mountain Conservancy-Field Institute recommends that participants for all courses dress in layers and wear comfortable, sturdy hiking boots/shoes. Participants should be prepared for sudden changes in temperature and weather conditions.

REFUND POLICY:

Cancellations received at least 14 days prior to the start of a class will qualify for a refund minus a cancellation fee of \$25 per participant for a one-day class, \$50 for a multi-day class, \$5 per kid's class and \$15 per half-day class or bus tour seat. Registration money transferred to another class will be subject to a \$10 switch fee.

Cancellations received less than 14 days prior to the start of a class or bus tour will not generate a refund. If the Field Institute cancels a class, every effort will be made to place the participant in another class; otherwise, a full refund will be given.