

# SMITH FORK RANCH

Smith Fork Ranch is a family owned guest ranch with a current capacity of 26-28 guests. This intimate, high-end guest ranch is located roughly midway between Aspen and Telluride, Colorado. Straddling three miles of the Smith Fork River Valley, its compound of historic buildings sits at 7100 feet altitude, surrounded by 1.2 million acres of the Gunnison National Forest and 10,000-12,000 ft peaks of the West Elk Range of the Rocky Mountains. The ranch is located about 7 miles East of the town of Crawford (pop 350) and 25 minutes from the north rim of the Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park; 2 hours from Aspen; 2 ½ hours from Telluride; 1 ¾ hours from Grand Junction, 4 ½ hours SW of Denver, Colorado.

While the ranch dates back to the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, its current life as a high-end guest ranch began in 2002, after an extensive three-year restoration by the Hodgson family. In addition to its stunningly beautiful location, primary characteristics are handsomely appointed accommodations in the rustic tradition; a wine cellar of over 250 outstanding wines; gourmet cuisine; and a wide variety of outdoor activities (featuring fly fishing on extensive private waters, horseback riding, sporting clays, long-bow archery, mountain biking and hiking) customized to the desires of the guests.

Guest areas include: a vintage log guest lodge with five bedrooms with private baths, four log guest cabins, a hunting lodge and a cookhouse. Although rustic in feeling, there are luxurious touches - slate tiled bathrooms, handmade soaps and lotions, comfy robes and down comforters. Living quarters are furnished with primitive American antiques and original American art and crafts from western and Native American artisans

## Position: Housekeeping/ Cabin Host

### JOB DESCRIPTION

Clean and service ranch accommodations and other ranch buildings on a daily basis. With hands-on style of management and attention to detail, housekeeping assures a comfortable, inviting and clean environment for guests - and maintains the special SFR ambience in all guests quarters with appropriate bedding, furniture, rugs and decorative items in place and in good order.

### RESPONSIBILITIES

Assure guest accommodations and related areas are immaculate, furniture and decor in place, plan special small touches such as flowers or well-chosen books for guest quarters.

- Laundering of linens and guest laundry.
- Assure laundry area and linen storage areas are organized, clean at all times.
- Assure that spa, hot tub, shower room, lower lodge bathrooms and porches/decks are maintained
- Guest's nightly turndown service three nights a week
- Assist in the opening and closing of guest accommodations at beginning /end of season
- Maintain and communicate a running list of repairs or improvements for ranch accommodations and relay to ranch foreman.
- Contribute to the overall guest experience by participating in weekly guest events. Maintain a high level of morale, dedication & pride in good work among all staff.



## REQUIREMENTS

- Prior housekeeping experience in the 4-5 star hospitality industry.
- Prior work at a guest ranch, lodge or B&B helpful.
- Must be able to lift 40 pounds
- Must be thorough and have attention to detail
- Ability to work 6 days a week (some of those evening shifts for turndown service)
- Available to work mid-May through August, preferably until November 1

## Compensation

Competitive salary based on ability and experience. Housing, meals and share of employee tip pool.

### To Apply

Fill out our online application or Mail/Email application, cover letter, resume and photo to:

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