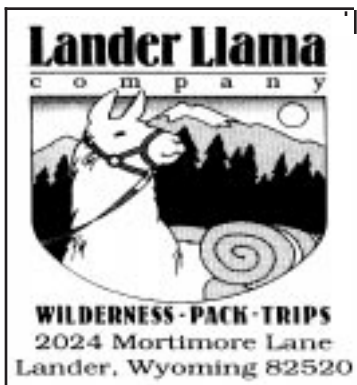


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Howdy from Wyoming! What a wonderful backcountry year we've had, filled with great weather and fun customers! This year we have had guests as far away as Scotland and Switzerland to our next door neighbors in Lander. Lander Llama Co. now has 56 llamas and recently added 5 new crias (baby llamas) to the troops. We also welcomed Lara to our summer LLC guide/staff along with veterans Bob and Shad. We appreciate your business, and hope to see you again! We wish you a Happy Thanksgiving! Scott & Therese Woodruff

FEMALE LLAMAS FOR SALE, AND FREE RETIRED PACKERS

LLC has a few female llamas for sale. Buy a female and we will throw in a "retired" "well trained" packer for free! Some of our older boys need a place to call home in their later years, after 14 years of service to our customers. Is it your home?

WANTED

Anybody with unique and interesting stories relating to your backcountry travels will be considered for publication in up coming *Llameros* issues. Send your articles, pictures, short stories, tidbits, or poems today!



T-Shirts for Sale Great Christmas Gifts!!



New...across the back of the t-shirt are llama footprints and WWW site!

100% Cotton
Colors-off white with forest green logo S,L,XL,XXL

(customized orders also)
\$15.00 (includes shipping)



Pictures Destroyed

There was an unfortunate accident at JJ's Photo in Riverton WY, as all of Lander Llama Co.'s slide/pictures for the 1999 summer were destroyed in the developing process. We are sorry! However, if you send us your photos we would be more than happy to scan them and add them to our photo album on the www.

LLC now has its own domain. That's right, www.LanderLlama.com. This makes it easier to remember if you have a question that needs answering or you want to browse for new information about llamas, packing, the great outdoors, and Wyoming. LLC's web page will have a new look with the addition of the "Photo Album Page". Also scheduled is an interactive site to retrieve specific information you might want about a llama pack trip. So...just click on www.LanderLlama.com to see and feel the mountains of western Wyoming...with llamas!

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As I looked out over the glacial cirque lake filled with dimples of rising trout I felt like a kid walking into a room where all the Christmas presents were for me. I quietly snuck up on the lakeshore where I spotted two cutthroats cruising on the flats. Hunkering near the ground I rigged up my 3 weight fly rod and tied on the always reliable renegade.

The cutts patrolling the shallows made an abrupt turn and headed back my way. I quickly cast out giving them plenty of lead and waited. As they closed in I gave my fly a slight twitch and watched the bigger of the two cutts angle up and inhale the renegade. There's always the urge to set the hook too quickly when you get to see a trout zero in on your fly in these crystal clear mountain waters. So, after a short pause I set the hook and the fight was on. This scene was repeated throughout the day as I made my way around this gem of a lake with massive 1000' cliffs serving as a stunning backdrop.

As a guide for the Lander Llama Co. I'm fortunate to have the opportunity to fish a majority of the Southern Wind River Range. These array of lakes provide an incredible light tackle fishing bonanza. Armed with a 3 or 4 weight fly rod the fun can be seemingly endless.

Depending on the lake, your fly can be eaten by cutthroats, brookies, rainbows, grayling and the ultimate quarry of the Wind Rivers, the Golden Trout. With a short growing season these fish don't reach herculean size like a tailwater fishery but on the flip side, the short growing season makes them extremely aggressive. Plus, they're attuned to surface feeding during the summer months making for an action packed dry-fly flyfishing paradise.

One of the bonuses of using pack llamas is the ability to easily bring float tubes and neoprene waders into the high country. Though fishing from shore can often be just as productive, there is nothing as relaxing as kicking back in a float tube surrounded by majestic peaks. The ultimate lounge chair with a view you can catch fish out of.

The other bonus of pack llamas is the great fresh food you can bring on your high mountain journey. No need for dehydrated, "I not really sure what I'm eating" dinners. Instead the aroma of simmering steaks or enchiladas fills the campsite in the evening hours. After a long day of fishing and exploring, the ability to top it off with homestyle meal as the sun sets is priceless.

One of the benefits of a guided pack trip with the Lander Llama Company is our knowledge of which of the hundreds of lakes provide the best fishing. Not all mountain lakes are created equal. One of my favorite lakes for chunky brookies and cutthroats sits less than 100 yards away from a lake offering only stunted 6" brookies. Most people assume since both lakes look them same, the results will be the same so they pass it by, much to my delight.

If you are a do-it-your-selfer then you'll want to look into the Lander Llama Company's llama lease program. After passing a 3 hour llama packing class you'll be able to pack these wonderful animals with all your gear and head off on a fun filled wilderness adventure.

Whichever way you choose, using llamas to pack your gear into the action packed fishing opportunities of the Wind River Mountains will be a memory you'll want to make a habit of.



Bob Scholl