

YMCA of GREATER WHITTIER CAMP ARBOLADO OUTCAMPING TRIPTIK BOOK

**TRIP #9 INFO: Camp Flag Pole, Tee-Pees, Ball Field or
Inspiration Point**

(NOTE: This book is to be used in conjunction with the TripTik Baseline Manual)



*We build strong kids, strong families,
strong communities.*



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FOOD FOR THOUGHT/REFLECTION

You may think, my dear, when you grow quite old
You have left camp days behind.
But I know the scent of wood-smoke
Will always call to mind
Little fires at twilight
And trails you used to find.

You may think some day that you have quite grown up,
And feel so worldly wise.
But suddenly from out of the past
A vision will arise,
Of merry folk with brown, bare knees
And laughter in their eyes.

You may live in a house built to your taste
In the nicest part of town.
But some day for you old camp toys
You'd change your latest gown
And trade it all for a balsam bed
Where the stars all night look down.

You may find yourself grown wealthy
- have all that gold can buy.
But you'd toss aside a fortune
For days 'neath an open sky
With sunlight on blue water
And white clouds sailing by.

For once you have been a camper,
Then something has come to stay
Deep in your heart forever,
Which nothing can take away.
And heaven can only be heaven
With a camp in which to play.

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MAIN STATISTICS: **0.05** (flagpole) **to 0.3 miles** (Inspiration Point) round trip
 0 - 30 feet elevation gain
 Classification: **Easy**
 Season: **March – October**

FEATURES

This overnight is intended for the youngest campers since it is within Camp Arbolado boundaries or the nearby ball field, tee-pees and Inspiration Point. Those who are very young and have never been camping before should camp at the flag pole. Those who have been to Camp Arbolado may want to enjoy the beautiful night sky without hindrance of camp lights by staying at Inspiration Point.

This trip is designed so that campers can gain the experience of cooking a meal for themselves, sleeping under the stars in a forest setting and enjoying the fun of a “slumber party” with other cabins.

DESCRIPTION

Campers sleep at the camp flag pole grassy area or hike to the nearby ball field, tee-pees or Inspiration Point. However, everyone cooks their dinner at the campfire area and cleans up, etc. before proceeding to the overnight camping (sleeping) location. There is no water at the Tee-Pees or Inspiration Point, so bring water with you for these areas.

To add some additional enjoyment to this overnight, campers can stage an evening campfire or roast marshmallows, etc. then clean up and proceed to their overnight spot, making a enjoyable night hike along the way.

For even more fun, hold your flashlight at eye level every so often and point it at the ground. If there are spiders, the light from your flashlight will be reflected back to you off a spider’s eyes. Thus, if there are spiders about, the ground will light up with small jewels of twinkling lights.

GROUP GEAR LISTS, PERSONAL GEAR LISTS, MENUS, OUTCAMPING POLICIES, EQUIPMENT OPERATING/TROUBLESHOOTING/REPAIR/MAINTENANCE, BEAR BAGS, POISONOUS PLANTS, OUTDOOR FIRST AID/EMERGENCIES, HORSESHOE PACK, and FINDING YOUR WAY

Information on the above subjects is provided in the Camp Arbolado Triptik Baseline Manual.