

FAQ

Where and how do we meet at the airport?

The Rapid City airport is very small with only one arriving passenger area. We try to meet people as they leave the security area or in the baggage area and usually have a sign identifying us. Be sure to provide us with your cell phone number and flight information. We may be delayed due to shopping for supplies while in Rapid City.

What do I do if my plane is delayed?

Call Tyler Lyson's home phone number (701) 279-6601 and leave a message with your phone number and new flight information. Someone at Marmarth will then relay your message to whoever is making the trip to the airport and that person will call and touch base with you.

If I am driving how do I find the bunkhouse?

If you are traveling west on Route 12, turn right on to Main St, and proceed to the end, the bunkhouse is on the left.

What shopping is available in Marmarth?

A small gas station/convenience store is the only shopping available. If you are aware that you forgot something when we pick you up at the airport let us know so we can find the item in Rapid City.

Is there a Bank or ATM in Marmarth?

No but credit cards are accepted at the convenience store and Bar/restaurant.

Will my cell phone work in Marmarth?

Cell phone reception is very poor. People with Verizon have had better luck than others. To be sure to be able to make calls bring a phone card and use the phone at the bunkhouse.

How important is it to have hiking boots?

It is very important. Those who have worn sneakers have fallen and been hurt. The boots do not have to be expensive. You can make do with those sold at Walmart.

Is the local water safe to drink?

Yes, however many do not like the taste and some people have intestinal problems due to not being used to the mineral content. We do provide bottled water.

How much water should I bring with me out in the field?

You should bring at least one gallon of water with you out in the field. It is very hot and dry in the badlands and you can become dehydrated very fast. If you are running low on water, tell the site supervisor.

Is the price charged a good value?

Yes. Compare our price with anything else you can find. An example of what you will find is as follows:

MRF provides 6 days in the field, lodging for 7 nights, all meals, Lab. Instruction and practice time, several educational lectures, T-shirt and bottled water for \$800 for students and \$900 for adults.

Judith River Dinosaur Institute provides 5 days in the field, meals, some lab work, and participants must provide tents for lodging for \$1695