

# First Annual Rím Rock Photo Adventure

Join us Friday, October 5th through Sunday, October 7 for a weekend of photo opportunities here at the Miller Ranch! The ranch is located 10 miles west of Valentine at the base of the Sierra Vieja Mountains in the Chihuahuan Desert. Some of the activities we have planned:

1. Weather permitting, Kyle Lange will bring his helicopter for one hour rides (maximum of 2 people per ride~we will try to accommodate your choice of companion, but Kyle will have the final say). You will be able to shoot with the doors off, and Kyle knows how to position his chopper for "the money shots"! Some of the places we plan to shoot are Capote Falls, a little village on the Río Grande, the badlands between Mexico and the ranch, the rim, the ranch, ZH Canyon, etc. and wildlife you might see during your flight.
2. Chuckwagon~we will have the chuckwagon set up and will cook some of the meals at the chuckwagon in Dutch ovens. We will use it for the Friday night and Saturday sunrise shoots.
3. Tipi~near the chuckwagon, we will also have our tipi set up for the Friday night and Saturday sunrise shoots. I will try to have at least one horse in the morning shoot.
4. Saturday day trip to Camp Holland and ZH Canyon for water photography (if it rains enough!). Normally, great birding, butterflies, dragonflies, lizards and sometimes ground squirrels.

5. Late Saturday afternoon we will take a vehicle trip into the Sierra Vieja Mountains~once up on top, looking east are the Davis Mountains and looking west/southwest is Mexico and the Sierra de Los Pílares. We will be on the rim for sunset on Saturday.
  
6. After that, we will drive down the mountain to Camp Holland and set up for night photography/light painting. The army built Camp Holland in response to banditry along the borderlands during the Mexican Revolution. Three fifty-mule pack trains left Camp Holland every day to supply food and horse feed for five army camps along the Río Grande. ([https:// www.cemillerranch.com/about-us/](https://www.cemillerranch.com/about-us/), [https:// tshaonline.org/handbook/online/ articles/qbc13](https://tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/qbc13))
  
7. Sunday morning: to be determined.
  
8. Birds around the houses in "Jody's Oasis": hummingbirds, warblers, grosbeaks, sparrows, buntings, hawks and more.  
Wildlife on the ranch: hawks, Golden Eagles, Roadrunners, Scaled and Gambel's Quail, Burrowing Owls (and sometimes Short-eared Owls), Turkey vultures, Pronghorn, Mule Deer, Javelina , Grey Foxes, Aoudad in the mountains . . . and of course there are horses, cattle, dogs, cats, and chickens!

Bill and I (and probably one more helper) will be cooking. We have catered ranch works, horse clinics, weddings, and parties from Wyoming to Texas . . . so you will eat well! Please let me know if you have any food allergies or need a special diet.

Bring whatever snacks and beverages you desire.

We live 10 miles west of Valentine on a dirt road, so I would recommend a high-clearance vehicle. If someone has a 4-wheel drive vehicle or an UTV that they wouldn't mind bringing to use, that would be helpful.

We will have Headquarters (sleeps 5-7, two bathrooms), the Boys' Room (sleeps 2-4, one bathroom), and the Little House (sleeps 2-4, one bathroom).

Maximum of 10 photographers, so please reserve your spot as soon as possible. The total cost for the weekend is \$1700.00 (room and board ~ Friday evening through Sunday lunch) If, by chance, weather doesn't permit Kyle to fly, \$400 will be taken off the total amount. There is a \$300.00 non-refundable deposit.

Please call/text/email me if you have any questions: Jill Miller  
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Mail your non-refundable deposit to:

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Or I can invoice you through PayPal using your email address.  
If you know anyone who might be interested, please forward this to them!

Thank you,  
Jill Miller  
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