

Middle Fork Lodge Mountain & Canyon Flying Course Schedule



Day 1:

- 09:00 – 13:30 Registration and Check-In
13:30 - 14:10 Introduction
14:10 - 15:30 **Aircraft Performance**, (ground roll, climb to 50ft), **Turn Radius and Airspeed, Flying a Stabilized Approach**. Preparation for Thursday's flight lesson (**Chapter I, III**)

Break

- 15:35 - 16:05 **Canyon Turns (Chapter V)**
16:05 – 16:50 **Backcountry Aircraft Preflight Items (Chapter II)**
17:00 – 17:30 Aircraft Inspections (conducted with your A/C MYL)
18:00 Get Acquainted Dinner / meet your instructors and flight assignments

Day 2: **Bring your aircraft POH or Owners Manual to class today**

- 06:00 – 11:30 Morning's flight (Middle Fork Lodge / Thomas Creek airstrip check-out)
12:00 – 13:00 Lunch (after lunch-ground schools/First time pilots see below & return pilots round table discussion)
13:15 – 14:15 **Aircraft Performance Cards/Navigation in Mountain and Canyon (Chapter IV,VIII)**

Break

- 14:30 – 15:10 **Landing Areas – Overhead Observation “The Shopping List” (Chapter 5)**
Runway surface conditions and hazards, Game or livestock on the runway, Other aircraft operations, Runway gradient, Wind direction(s) and intensity, Gradient vs. Wind, Surrounding terrain and obstacles, Planned approach path, Planned departure path, Emergency landing spots for approach and departure, and Abort point
15:20 - 16:00 **Mountain/Canyon Meteorology**
14:45 – 18:00 Fishing, hiking, horseback riding etc
18:00 Dinner and flight assignments for Wednesday

Day 3:

- 06:00 - 11:30 Mornings flight
12:00 – 13:00 Lunch: (after lunch-ground schools/First time pilots see below & return pilots round table) discussion)
13:15 - 14:00 **Density Altitude and Aircraft Performance (Chapter IV)**
Flight Debrief / Risk Management, Determining Density Altitude (DA), Reduction in Engine Horsepower due to DA Increase, Power Loading and Weight Reduction, Takeoff Performance, Landing Performance & Climb Performance. Power loading - practical application

Break

- 14:15-15:30 **Flying the Approach - Confined Areas-Aim Point/Airspeed (Chapter VI)**
Every Good Landing Starts in the Pattern, How to design a standard pattern in a non-standard environment, Move the Aim-Point, The Backcountry Landing, You've Landed! Now What?
14:15 – 18:00 Fishing, hiking, horseback riding etc
18:00 Dinner and flight assignments for Thursday

Day 4:

- 06:00 - 11:30 Morning's flight
12:00 – 13:00 Lunch
13:15 - 14:30 **Backcountry Emergencies and Survival**. Bring your survival kit. (**Chapter XI**)
Flight assignments for Friday
18:00 - ?? Final Dinner

Day 5:

- 06:00 Final morning's flights
Depart to MYL or Home

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