

Through Your Eyes

What place did you visit?



You can visit the trail in person, through the internet, or by reading the brochure. (And you can use your imagination!)

What did you see, feel, hear, and do?

See _____

Feel _____

Hear _____

Do _____

Ready for Your Badge?

1. Fill out your contact information:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

2. Photograph your completed booklet and email it to:

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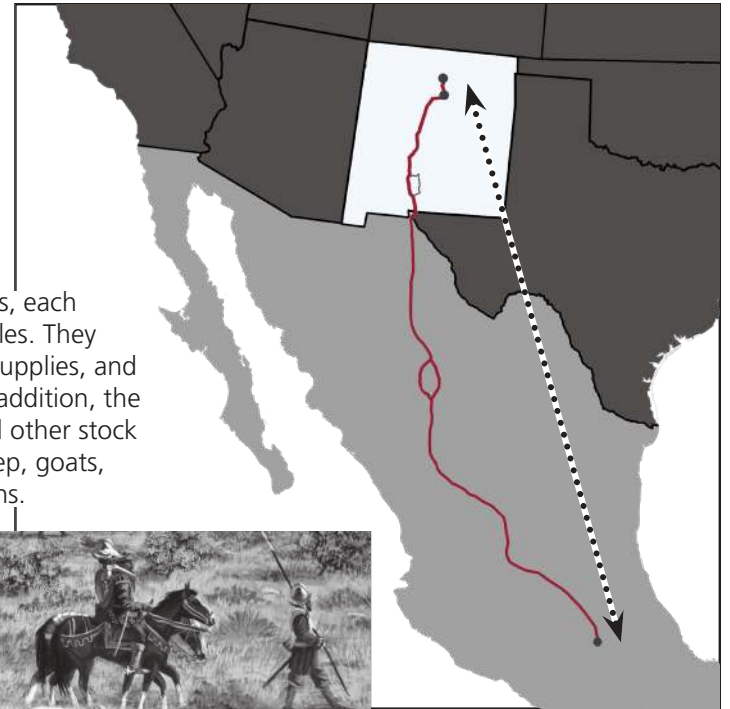
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El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro National Historic Trail Junior Ranger Program



¡Vamos Adelante! (Let's hit the trail!)

Take a journey on El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro to learn about 300 years of heritage and culture on this Spanish royal road.



Imagine 32 wagons, each pulled by eight mules. They carry royal mail, supplies, and goods to trade. In addition, the typical caravan had other stock as well: cattle, sheep, goats, burros, and chickens.



It's 1,600 miles long!

Which of today's states and countries were crossed by El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro?

Countries:

1. ndtiue tssate _____

2. omicex _____

Unscramble the letters and label the map.

States:

1. xtsea _____

2. enw xiemoc _____

Where Does the Time Go?

Use the timeline on the brochure to identify the years these important events happened.

Juan de Onate leads the first Spanish colonists up the Rio Grande River, blazing what would become El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro.

Two dozen pueblos revolt against Spanish practices that forced Catholicism and suppressed native religion. The Spanish flee south for 12 years.

The Spanish follow El Camino Real when they return to New Mexico and begin rebuilding missions and settlements.

Mexico gains its independence from Spain. The Santa Fe Trail opens and El Camino Real becomes a trade route south from Santa Fe.

A treaty is signed that makes New Mexico a part of the United States, including the lands traversed by El Camino Real north of El Paso.

Pulling Their Weight

Use this illustration (on the website)



The five types of animals in the painting were really important on the trail. Some carried heavy packs or pulled wagons. Others provided food or fur that could be woven into clothes and blankets.

1. Choose one to draw.

2. Why was it brought on the trail?

Trail Cultures

Identify three cultures that are part of the history of El Camino Real.

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What Would You Take?

If you could choose one item to take on the 1,600 mile walk from Mexico City to northern New Mexico, what would it be and why?

Many cultures used El Camino Real.

Trail travelers spread ideas, trade, traditions, and languages.

Many historic trail *parajes* (campsites) are now modern cities.

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