

What the AY is

The Appalachian Yomp (AY) (a British Commando term for a long-distance march) is a new concept for the USA and is one of the toughest events you can find.

AY will be taking place on the 2-3
October 2021 alone on the trail of the
Appalachian Mountains starting and
finishing at Boulder Crest Retreat (CR)
Bluemont VA teams tackle the
challenge over 44 miles (gold) in 24
hours over the tough terrain of the
Appalachian mountain wilderness. You
can also sign up for the silver or bronze
distances (34 and 22 miles
respectively).



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Why to take part

colleagues to experience an unforgettable weekend whilst raising money for wounded, ill, and injured (WII), caregivers, active duty and veterans, and their families. Whichever distance you choose, you will get to test both your physical and mental limits whilst trekking through some truly breathtaking scenery.

Don't worry if you don't have a team, any individuals or pairs will be grouped together with individuals of similar abilities. Check out our facebook page to connect with others who will be Yomping the amazing trail

Register now

Price



Appalachian Yomp Standard

Military/Veteran

\$85.00pp

Individual

\$100.00pp

Fundraising target + \$300.00 pp



Your registration fee includes all your food and drinks over the weekend, access to the campsite, goody bag, AFF AY t-shirt, completion medals at Bronze, Silver, Gold, and lots more! The fundraising target is \$300.00pp and you will be amazed at people's generosity. As you register, your very own Yomp fundraising page will be created which you can share with friends, family, and your local community.

We also have a self-funding option. For \$500.00pp you can register without any fundraising obligation. A page will still be created for you – any money you raise will be gratefully received and enable us to continue to be there for WII, caregivers, active duty, veterans, and their families

Why we fund rise

The Appalachian Yomp exists to raise vital funds to help support challenge-based events our nation's WII, caregivers, active duty, veterans, and their families can participate in around the world with our coalition partners.

As such we ask each yomper to commit to raising \$400.00 in sponsorship as a minimum. We have also set sponsor goals for individuals and teams to raise which are military rank-based and if achieved are rewarded with gift packets.



The Route



Located just an hour north of Dulles International Airport, Washington D.C., the route takes you through some of the most remote and spectacular areas of Virginia and West Virginia. With 8 water stops and 5 main checkpoints scattered along the trail, you have multiple stops and AFF team members every few miles and morale stations at checkpoints with food, drinks, and entertainment.

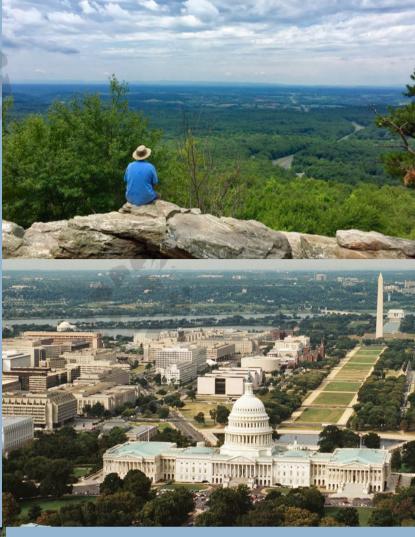
The trail will be fully marked out and signposted along the way. We'll also send you a map pack before the event which breaks the route down into sections, giving a description, key co-ordinates and also shows the route on an Appalachian Trail map.

Getting here

The AY takes place right on the Virginia and West Virginia border. This is only around a 90 mins drive from Washington D.C., and 60 mins from Dulles International Airport.

The AY follows the amazing
Appalachian Trail starting in the
Bluemont mountains and half way at
the historical Harper's Ferry West
Virginia.

We're are just off Route 7 at <u>Boulder</u> <u>Crest Retreat</u> on Stickersville Turnpike.

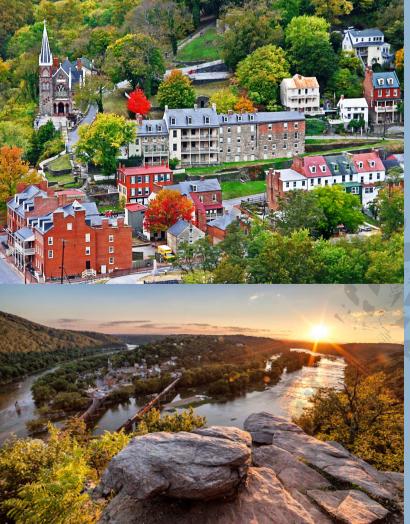


Places to stay

As part of your registration fee, you are able to camp at the Event Hub on the Friday night, at which we provide hot showers and plenty of toilet facilities.

The camping area is less than 100 meters from the start/finish line and so is perfectly placed for a little lie down after you complete the challenge.

There are also a number of hotels, B&B's and self catering cottages nearby – visit the local website Visit loudoun County and if you are staying at Bronze Harper's Ferry West Virginia for everything you need to know.



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