

AAVE - All About Visiting Earth

Teen Adventure Travel Since 1976

Empowering Young Explorers Through Adventure

For nearly five decades, AAVE has been the pioneer in teen adventure travel. Our vision empowers high school students to feel alive, competent, and part of a self-motivated team through world-class expeditions across 6 continents.

Why Choose AAVE?

- Expert guides with wilderness and international experience
- Small group sizes for personalized attention
- ACA accredited with highest safety standards
- Leadership development and team building focus
- 15,000+ alumni across 50+ countries

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Adventure Program Categories

Mountain Adventures

Rock climbing, mountaineering, ice climbing, and high-altitude trekking experiences that build confidence and technical skills.

- Rock Climbing & Rappelling
- Mountaineering Expeditions
- Ice Climbing Workshops
- Alpine Backpacking

Water Adventures

White water rafting, kayaking, SCUBA diving, and marine science exploration programs that connect students with aquatic environments.

- White Water Rafting
- Sea Kayaking
- SCUBA Diving Certification
- Marine Science Research

Cultural Immersion

Language immersion, homestays, community service, and cultural exchange programs that broaden global perspectives.

- Language Immersion
- Family Homestays
- Community Service Projects
- Cultural Workshops

Featured Adventure Programs

European Cycling & Culture - 21 Days

Cycle through France, Spain, and Italy while experiencing local cultures, languages, and cuisine. Build endurance while exploring historic cities and developing language skills.

Costa Rica Adventure - 18 Days

Rainforest conservation, wildlife research, white water rafting, and zip-lining adventures. Learn about biodiversity and conservation while experiencing incredible natural beauty.

Rocky Mountain Expedition - 24 Days

Technical rock climbing, mountaineering skills, and wilderness survival. Build leadership and self-confidence in stunning alpine environments across Colorado and Utah.

Himalayan Cultural Journey - 28 Days

Trek through Nepal and Tibet while engaging with local communities. Learn about Buddhism, traditional crafts, and mountain cultures in one of Earth's most spectacular regions.

Program Statistics

• Ages 14-18 only

• Small groups: 8-12 participants maximum

• 1:4 staff-to-student ratio

• 98% program completion rate

• Average 15% skill improvement measured

Safety & Leadership Development

Our Safety Commitment

AAVE maintains the highest safety standards through:

- â€¢ Certified and experienced expedition leaders
- â€¢ Comprehensive risk management protocols
- â€¢ 24/7 emergency communication systems
- â€¢ Regular safety training and equipment maintenance
- â€¢ Partnerships with local emergency services

Leadership Skills Development

Every AAVE program focuses on developing:

- â€¢ Self-confidence and independence
- â€¢ Team collaboration and communication
- â€¢ Problem-solving and decision-making
- â€¢ Environmental stewardship
- â€¢ Cultural awareness and sensitivity
- â€¢ Resilience and adaptability

Academic Benefits

AAVE programs provide measurable academic advantages:

- â€¢ College application enhancement
- â€¢ Language learning acceleration
- â€¢ STEM skills through outdoor science
- â€¢ Global perspective development
- â€¢ Service learning credit opportunities

Application Process & Requirements

Eligibility Requirements

- â€¢ Ages 14-18 at time of departure
- â€¢ Good academic standing
- â€¢ Physical fitness appropriate for chosen program
- â€¢ Current passport valid 6 months beyond return
- â€¢ Required vaccinations and medical clearances
- â€¢ Comprehensive travel and medical insurance

Application Components

- â€¢ Completed application form
- â€¢ Character references from teachers or mentors
- â€¢ Health and medical documentation
- â€¢ Personal statement and program goals
- â€¢ Parent/guardian consent and support

Payment Schedule

- â€¢ Application deposit: Due upon enrollment
- â€¢ 50% of program cost: 90 days before departure
- â€¢ Final payment: 30 days before departure
- â€¢ Payment plans available
- â€¢ Financial aid consideration for qualified families

What's Included

- â€¢ All instruction and expert leadership
- â€¢ Accommodation and meals
- â€¢ All specialized equipment and gear
- â€¢ Transportation during program
- â€¢ Cultural activities and excursions
- â€¢ Airport transfers and group flights

Alumni Success Stories & Testimonials

Sarah M. - Costa Rica 2023

"AAVE completely changed my perspective on what I'm capable of. Zip-lining through the rainforest and participating in conservation work showed me how I can make a real difference in the world."

Marcus T. - European Cycling 2023

"The friends I made and the confidence I gained from cycling across three countries will stay with me forever. AAVE taught me that adventure is the best teacher."

Emma L. - Thailand Marine Science 2024

"Learning about marine conservation while getting my SCUBA certification in Thailand was incredible. AAVE opened my eyes to career possibilities I never knew existed."

Ready to Start Your Adventure?

Contact us today to begin your AAVE journey:

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