



# YURTS of UTAH

YURTS 15-19: LILY LAKE HUT SYSTEM

## YURT 18 RIDGE YURT

**Location:** Lily Lake/Wolverine Trails; Wasatch Cache National Forest; Uinta Mountains

**Length:** 5 miles one-way;

**Elevation:** The North Slope Road Trailhead 8300';  
Ridge yurt: 9350'

**Size:** 20' diameter

**Amenities:** Wood burning stove; propane lantern, cook stove, heater; pots and pans, outhouse, venting sky light, bunk beds, table and benches.

**Introduction:** Of all the Lily Lake yurts, the Ridge yurt provides the best views as it perches atop the ridge. The easiest access route climbs up Sage Draw, past Lily Lake, through a dense part of the forest and into a small mountain meadow. Just past the meadow, the trail is like a narrow tunnel with overhanging trees on either side. There is one last short, steep, slick section of trail that

leads to the top of the ridge. The yurt is sheltered in a natural bowl just below the ridge top. The Ridge yurt was almost lost in the 2002 East Fork fire. The blackened trees along the ridge stand like burnt matchsticks. The mountain slope east of the Ridge yurt descends over a thousand feet to the East Fork of the Bear River and holds an opportunity for backcountry turns. Watch for signs of avalanche. The distant lights of Evanston, Wyoming can be detected to the northeast during night outings from the yurt.

**Season:** Year-round

**Reservations:** To make reservations for any of the five yurts, call the Evanston Recreation Center 307. 789.1770; M-F 8:00-5:00; Reservations open at the end of October.

**Fee:** Weekday nights (Sunday through Thursday) \$30 per night; Friday, Saturday and Holidays - \$60 a night

**Other:** Snowmobile access allowed

