



WORLD WIDE RIVER EXPEDITIONS

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Colorado River 1-day Westwater Canyon/ Fisher Towers Adventure

Q. WHERE AND WHEN DO WE MEET WORLD WIDE RIVER EXPEDITIONS?

A. The trip meets in Moab, Utah and can be reached via Salt Lake City, UT or Grand Junction, CO. It is generally less expensive to fly into Salt Lake, whereas flying into Grand Junction is closer and a much quicker drive to Moab by car. Flight service is also available into Canyonlands Air Field (about 20 miles north of Moab on Hwy 191) through Salt Lake City. Rental cars and shuttle services are available at each airport. Driving time to Moab from Grand Junction is two hours by traveling west on I-70 then turning south on Hwy 191. Driving time from Salt Lake is four hours traveling south on I-15 to the Price/US 6 exit to east I-70 then south on Hwy 191. For directions you can look up our address on google maps, gps, etc, or if you do not have access to those feel free to email or call. We are located at the very end of Riversands Rd. on the left. Our office is in a residential area so please drive slowly, especially into the parking area. Meeting time is at 7:00 am.

Q. DO I NEED TO CHECK IN?

A. Please give us an email or call to check in when you get into Moab. If you have questions about the meeting time or place, please come by our office in Moab, or call us at our local phone number 259-7515 when you get into town.

Q. WHERE SHOULD I STAY IN MOAB?

A. If you need to stay in Moab the night before or after your trip, a full list of hotels and campgrounds can be found at www.discovermoab.com. You can also find all transfer and shuttle info on this site if needed. You can visit our website as well. If you need recommendations, feel free to contact us. All overnight accommodations are the responsibility of the client.

Q. WHAT ARE THE CLASSIFICATIONS OF THE RAPIDS?

A. The rapids in Westwater Canyon are rated class III-IV (depending on water levels) and provide a lively and exhilarating introduction to the adventures of river running. This trip is perfect for first time rafters with an adventurous spirit and experienced boaters who want a wet and wild one-day experience.

Q. WHAT WILL BE THE TRIP ITINERARY?

A. Once you are checked in and your car is secure, we recommend you leave your car keys behind in our office so they don't take a swim if you do. After the group has all arrived vans are loaded and we leave Moab around 7:30 AM. The drive is approximately 1 ½ hours to the Westwater Ranger Station launch site. Rafting, sightseeing, swimming, running rapids, and playing compose the majority of the day. The boats will stop around noon for a beautiful riverside picnic lunch. We will arrive at the boat dock around 4:00 PM and return to Moab at approximately 5:30 PM.

Q. DO YOU GIVE US ANY KIND OF ORIENTATION BEFORE WE GET ON THE RIVER?

A. There will be an orientation at the launch area before ANYONE gets into the rafts. It is a vital part of your trip and we stress that EVERYONE, including leaders, pay strict attention.

Q. DO WE HAVE TO WEAR LIFEJACKETS ALL THE TIME, AND CAN WE BRING OUR OWN?

A. Lifejackets are an absolute necessity any time you are near the water, including time in camp when you want to play in the river. We are required to use Coast Guard approved, Type V, whitewater jackets, so please don't bring your own.

Q. WHAT DO WE DO IF ONE OF OUR PARTY NEEDS FIRST AID?

A. Our guides are all trained in Advanced Wilderness First Aid, CPR and will have a first aid kit with them. Protocols are in place in the event of an emergency while on the river.

Q. WILL WE BE ALLOWED TO SWIM ALONG THE WAY?

A. Swimming will be part of your trip. Your guide will let you know when it is safe to swim. **When exiting the raft into**

the water always go feet first.

Q. WHAT KIND OF GEAR SHOULD WE BRING?

A. You will need to bring plenty of sunscreen, lip balm, a hat, sunglasses with safety strap, shorts or swimming suit (2 piece works well for women), river sandals or tennis shoes, a T-shirt that can get wet, and a camera stored in two zip-lock bags for protection. Don't forget to charge the batteries and bring an extra memory card.

Q. CAN WE TAKE ANYTHING WITH US ON THE RAFTS?

A. Anything taken with you on the rafts will end up on the bottom of the boat and will get wet. This includes extra clothes, towels, cameras, food, etc. There will be an oarboat along, which carries the lunch, first aid kits, etc., extra clothes and cameras. A dry set of clothes and towels are not necessary during the day on the boats.

Q. WHAT KIND OF RAFTS WILL WE BE ON?

A. Depending on the water levels, you will be paddling a 16' paddle raft. They hold 8-10 people. If there is a rowing frame on the raft, this raft will hold 6-8 people along with the guide. Rafts are not assigned before arriving at the river.

Q. WHAT KIND OF FOOD WILL BE SERVED?

A. Lunch is either a make it yourself sandwich buffet with all the fixings or chicken Caesar salad wraps or bean wraps. We also serve fruits, chips, cookies and lemonade. You will not go hungry and we do our best to keep you from standing in long lines for your meals. Water and lemonade are provided, however, a water bottle is nice to have to use during the day. An ice chest is provided if you would like to bring other beverages.

Q. WHAT IF WE HAVE FOOD ALLERGIES?

A. If we know about them we can make accommodations like allowing you to go through the line first. The only peanut products we use are peanut butter for sandwiches. For those with gluten allergies we suggest bringing your own favorite brand of gluten free bread or tortilla.

Q. WHAT KIND OF WEATHER CAN WE EXPECT AND HOW WARM IS THE WATER?

A. The temperatures in the summer generally range from 80-110 degrees during the day with 70-85 degrees at night. July and August are warmer than June. Rain is not common during the summer months. The weather forecast can give you an idea of what to expect. If the forecast indicates rain come prepared because when it rains, it usually rains hard. The water temperature in June is around 50-60 degrees. In July and August the water can be 65-80 degrees.

Q. ARE THERE TOILET FACILITIES AVAILABLE?

A. During the day while on the river, there are limited toilet facilities. The longest time without access to a bathroom is about 3 hours. Our guides (both male and female) are sensitive to the unique challenges that may be encountered by women while traveling in a wilderness area. Please don't hesitate to ask them if there are questions concerning these issues. They are willing to help and are willing to make an emergency stop if needed. It is helpful for women to wear 2 piece swimsuits and/or have a skirt or wrap around sarong to wear while on the trip for more privacy. If needed, you do not have to swim. You still will get splashed though from either water fights if you are participating and/or the rapids. Ziploc bags are handy for storage and disposal of feminine hygiene products.

Q. WILL WE NEED MONEY ONCE WE GET TO MOAB?

A. In our company store we have sunglasses, sunscreen, water proof cameras, and squirt guns. At the end of the trip you will be transported from the river back to your cars at the warehouse. At this time there will be an opportunity to buy souvenir t-shirts to remember your trip. T-shirts start at \$10.

Q. WHEN IS MY BALANCE DUE AND WHAT IF I NEED TO CANCEL?

A. A deposit of \$20 per person is due at the time of your reservation. Payment in full is due 30-days before departure. A full refund, less a \$25 per person administrative fee, will be given for written (email) cancellation notice received 30 days prior to your departure date. Cancellations made within 30 days or no-shows are non-refundable. We reserve the right to cancel any trip, with a full refund due to weather, water conditions, or insufficient reservations.

Q. WHAT ABOUT TIPPING?

A. You should never feel that a gratuity is automatically expected from you, but it is a great way to acknowledge excellent service. Our guides work hard to make each expedition a memorable and rewarding experience. May we suggest \$10-\$20 per person in your group.