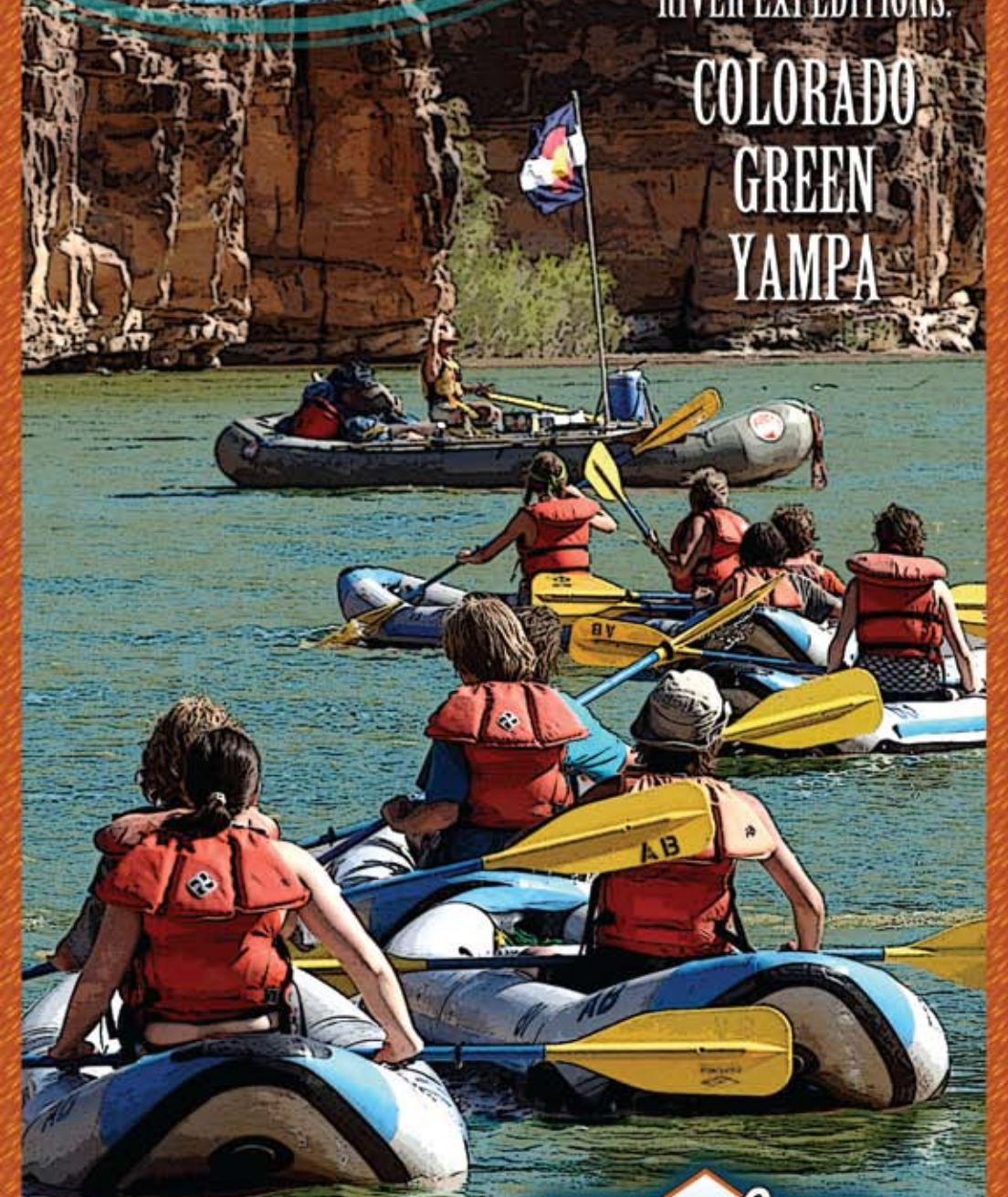




RIVER EXPEDITIONS

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# Area Map

# Welcome to Canyon Country



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**Immerse yourself** in the rich history, distinctive wildlife, and incredible geology of the region. Your time on the river can be spent with the priorities you bring to your vacation. Hike a side canyon, challenge the rapids in an inflatable kayak, swim in the river, socialize, or just unwind in camp. Our crew will handle the rafts, pack and unpack gear, and prepare all meals.

**The variety of excellent craft** we offer is one of the most important reasons for choosing Adventure Bound as your outfitter. Whether you enjoy oar, large pontoon, inflatable kayak, or a combination format, we have the appropriate trip for you. We outfit each expedition with the rafts that match current water conditions for your personal safety and enjoyment. Many outfitters specialize in just one type of craft. Don't limit your experience!

**The inflatable kayak**, considered our signature craft, is a key addition to our trips for mixing experienced rafters with those new to the sport. The inflatable kayaks are self-bailing, stable, highly responsive, very maneuverable, and can be used in flat water, whitewater or both. Enjoy the challenge!

**Experienced, professional guides** are an Adventure Bound trademark. Time after time, our guests tell us their guides were the best part of their trip. Come see for yourself, our crew is practiced and competent in the specialized skills of river running. Our guides are knowledgeable in the interpretive aspects of the Colorado Plateau, dedicated to preserving the environment, licensed, and first-aid certified.

Adventure Bound River Expeditions has the tradition you look for in an outfitter as well as innovations to meet the needs of today's river enthusiast. Since our start in 1963, we have strived to provide outstanding outdoor experiences. Our excellent safety record and dedication to providing first-class service make us the river outfitter of choice. Without question, our guests are our first priority!

See you on the River!

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*"I knew that I would have a good time, but I didn't know that I would have the time of my life! Thanks for being such a great company — your customer service is what attracted me to begin with and it will keep me returning!"*  
— Beverly C.

# Yampa

## The last of the wild ones!

The Yampa is the last free-flowing river in the entire Colorado river system. When the Yampa is running, the whole Colorado Plateau is alive with whitewater.

See the remote and untouched headwaters of the Colorado River system and ride the crest of one of the best river trips in the world. The water level depends

completely on run-off from the Rocky Mountain snowmelt during the first part of summer. These famous waters are compressed between towering canyon walls creating unforgettable rapids including "Tepee," "Big Joe," and "Warm Springs."

While the Yampa River is noted for its whitewater, it also offers family-friendly calm stretches that meander through the pristine, high-altitude landscape, abundant wildlife, and overnights at scenic campsites.

Travel through many layers of history on the Yampa. The river flows through the fossil-rich, Jurassic-era Dinosaur National Monument. Short hikes take you to ancient Native American sites such as Mantle Cave (utilized as a food storage site 1500 years ago) and allow you to observe renowned rock art panels in Jones Hole, Echo Park, and Island Park.

History buffs can follow the route of John Wesley Powell, who explored the Green River in 1869. Powell left his imprint on the region by naming the "Split Mountain" and "Whirlpool Canyon" landmarks. Be sure to make your reservation early for this very special run!



## Yampa Adventure Options

### Standard Option

Land transportation provided to and from the river via van service provided by Adventure Bound, Inc.

### River Trip Only

You provide your own transportation to the river and arrange for a shuttle service to move your vehicle(s) to the takeout point at the end of the trip. Adventure Bound can provide a list of shuttle services. Take \$100.00 off per person for the "River Trip Only" option.

### Meeting time and place for

**River Trip Only:** 9:30 AM Deerlodge

**Return Time:** Approximately 3:00 PM at Split Mountain last day of trip

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# Lodore

## A magnificent towering canyon

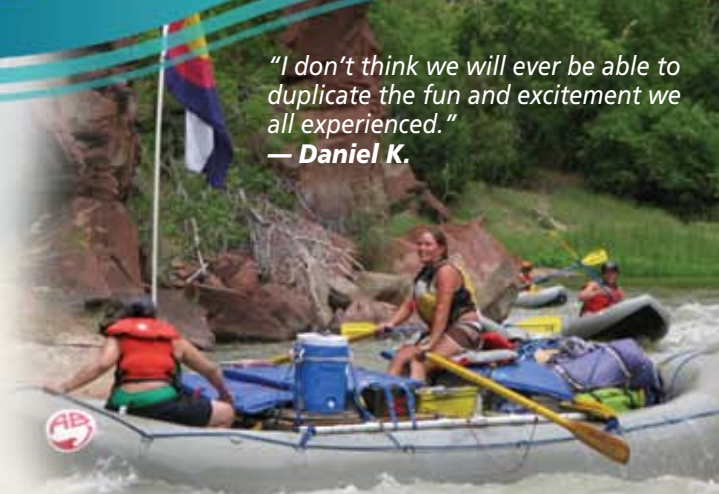
marks the start of the trip at the "Gates of Lodore" and follows one of the most beautiful stretches of river anywhere. Fed by dam-controlled flows from Flaming Gorge Reservoir, the Green River through Lodore Canyon provides rafting fun throughout the summer.

Hidden between the sheer cliffs of Lodore, the trip traces part of the route taken in 1869 by Major John Wesley Powell during his epic exploration of this continent's last uncharted wilderness. This expedition offers several challenging rapids with colorful names such as "Hell's Half Mile," and "Disaster Falls."



In the calm stretches wildlife abounds. As the oar-powered rafts quietly float through Lodore Canyon you may see deer, waterfowl, beaver, and desert bighorn sheep. See Native American rock art carvings, remarkable geologic formations. Revel in the pristine, untouched, remote river setting. We consider Lodore Canyon to be a magnificent inflatable kayak run!

*"I don't think we will ever be able to duplicate the fun and excitement we all experienced."*  
— Daniel K.



## Lodore Canyon Adventure Options

### Standard Option

Land transportation provided to and from the river via van service provided by Adventure Bound, Inc.

### River Trip Only

You provide your own transportation to the river and arrange for a shuttle service to move your vehicle(s) to the takeout point at the end of the trip. Adventure Bound can provide a list of shuttle services. Take \$100.00 off per person for the "River Trip Only" option.

### Meeting time and place for River Trip

**Only:** 10:30 AM Gates of Lodore

**Return Time:** Approximately 3:00 PM at Split Mountain last day of trip

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## Green River C-B on Map Dinosaur National Monument

**Trip Length:** 3 & 4-day

**Lodore's Season:**

May–September

**Rapid Classification:** II-III

**Elevation:** 5,375 feet at launch point

**Craft:** Oar rafts with inflatable kayaks.

**Meeting time & Place:** 7:30 AM Steamboat Springs, Colorado

**Transportation:** Van service provided, meeting at and returning to Steamboat Springs, Colorado

**Return Time:** Approximately 7:30 PM to Steamboat Springs, Colorado

**Transportation options:** Grand Junction, Maybell & Split Mountain logistics available for groups - discounts apply. Call our office for details!

**Optional Rental:** Tent \$40 each (sleeps 2-3), Rental Sleeping Pad \$10 each, Purchase Sleeping Bag \$45 each



# Desolation

## Located deep within the Tavaputs Plateau,

Desolation Canyon is one of the most remote wilderness areas in Utah. Steep canyon walls with towering spires and abundant arches are spread throughout the region. Large beaches with giant cottonwood trees provide great campsites. Mild stretches of water offer many opportunities to swim and relax. With exciting rapids to enjoy, this is a perfect canyon for inflatable kayaks. Explore the side canyons while hiking to ruins, historical sites and scenic overlooks. Bears, deer, desert bighorn sheep, great blue herons, and one of the last bands of wild horses live along the river corridor.

Desolation Canyon offers fascinating history. Fremont Indians inhabited the area and lived off the land. View ancient ruins left behind by the Fremont people that tell the tale of life in the canyon several centuries ago. Ranchers moved into the area before 1900 and transported everything in by horseback. Outbuildings shaded by apple trees still stand today, and Rock Creek offers a great opportunity to cool off in the summer heat.

Outlaws frequented the Green River territory, often swapping horses with ranchers in the canyon. The rugged terrain offered a perfect hiding spot for Butch Cassidy and the Wild Bunch who left their mark down the Green River.

### Green River D-E on Map Dinosaur and Grey Canyons

**Trip Length:** 4 & 5-day on a regularly scheduled basis. 4, 5 & 6-day trips can be chartered on a limited basis. Contact our office for details.

#### Desolation's Season:

May–September

#### Rapid Classification:

II-III

#### Elevation:

4,473 feet at launch point

**Craft:** Oar rafts, oar rafts with motor assist, motor cargo rafts and inflatable kayaks

#### Meeting time & Place:

8:00 AM Moab Airport, Moab, Utah or 8:30 AM Grand Vista Hotel, Grand Junction, Colorado

**Transportation:** Charter flight to Sandwash (launch site). Van service provided for return to Moab or Grand Junction

**Return Time:** Approximately 5:30 PM to Moab Airport or 7:00 PM to Grand Junction

**Included:** Tent & Sleeping Pad

**Optional:** Purchase Sleeping Bag, \$45 each

#### Rates & Dates



John Wesley Powell documented his expedition through the canyon in 1869. Powell and his crew named all the rapids on the river and many of the side canyons.

The charter flight into the canyon offers a spectacular bird's eye view of the journey ahead.

Due to weight limitations on the charter flight, your baggage must weigh less than 25 pounds. If you would like to order any beverages, please call our office in advance. We will transport beverage orders to the launch site the day before the trip.



# Cataract

## Cataract Canyon,

located on the Colorado River southwest of Moab, Utah, is one of America's most rugged and beautiful canyons. Adventure Bound offers outstanding "big water" trips through the uniquely beautiful Canyonlands National Park, which is isolated in the southeast corner of Utah.

The first part of the trip will be spent relaxing and anticipating the upcoming excitement down river. Swim breaks and lots of suntan lotion flavor the start of your trip. Be prepared for hearty riverside dinners and exciting campfire tales of the rapids of Cataract Canyon.

As we reach the confluence of the Green and Colorado Rivers in the heart of Canyonlands, we prepare for the colossal rapids of Cataract. You will be rafting some of the largest whitewater in America!

### Colorado River F-G on Map Canyonlands National Park

**Trip Length:** 3, 4 & 5-day on a regularly scheduled basis. Two to 7-day trips can be chartered on a limited basis.

#### Cataract's Season:

April–October

**Rapid Classification:** III–IV. Peak season IV–V (May–June)

**Elevation:** 3,925 feet at launch point (Potash Boat Ramp)

**Craft:** Motorized pontoon rafts on 2, 3 & 4-day trips with inflatable kayaks when water conditions permit. Our rafts with motor assist and inflatable kayaks on 5, 6 & 7-day trips.

**Meeting time & Place:** 7:30 AM Grand Vista Hotel, Grand Junction, Colorado or 9:30 AM Thompson Springs, Utah

**Transportation:** Van service provided meeting at and returning to Grand Junction, Colorado or Thompson Springs, Utah

**Return Time:** Approximately 7:30 PM to Grand Junction, Colorado or 5:30 PM to Thompson Springs, Utah

**Optional Rental:** Rental Tent \$40 each (sleeps 2-3), Rental Sleeping Pad \$10 each, Purchase Sleeping Bag \$45 each

This stretch is truly rugged and action-packed. The peak season for the whitewater is May and June, and it moderates through the summer.

The last segment of the trip consists of exploring the lower canyons of the Glen Canyon National Recreation Area and our final destination in the "Hite" area, Lake Powell.

Adventure Bound's options allow you to customize your Cataract Canyon adventure. Our experienced guides will transport you to and from the river, or you may provide your own transportation and have your vehicle shuttled to the takeout point.

Rates & Dates



## Cataract Canyon Adventure Options Standard Option

Land transportation provided to and from the river via van service provided by Adventure Bound, Inc.

### River Trip Only

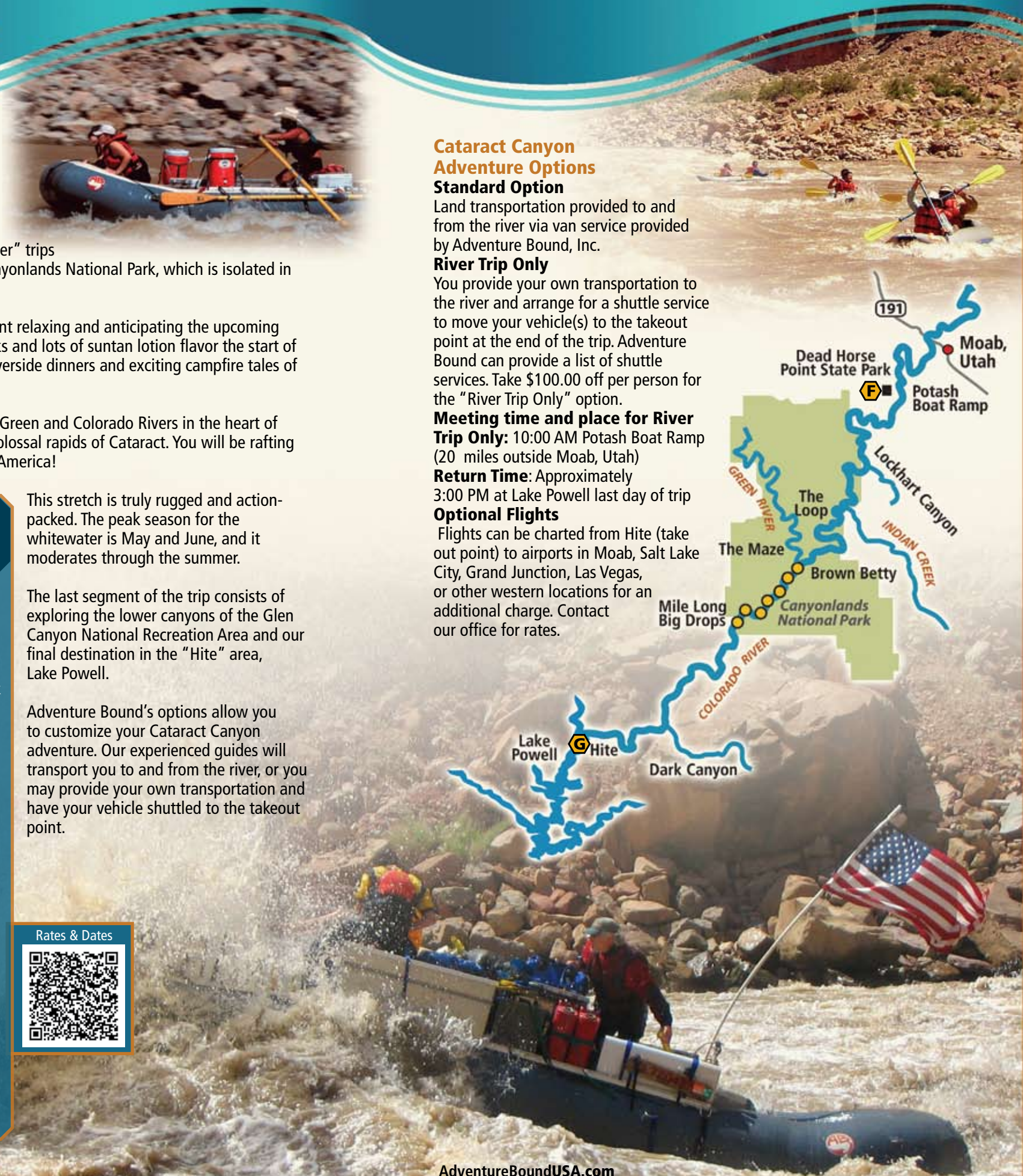
You provide your own transportation to the river and arrange for a shuttle service to move your vehicle(s) to the takeout point at the end of the trip. Adventure Bound can provide a list of shuttle services. Take \$100.00 off per person for the "River Trip Only" option.

**Meeting time and place for River Trip Only:** 10:00 AM Potash Boat Ramp (20 miles outside Moab, Utah)

**Return Time:** Approximately 3:00 PM at Lake Powell last day of trip

### Optional Flights

Flights can be chartered from Hite (take out point) to airports in Moab, Salt Lake City, Grand Junction, Las Vegas, or other western locations for an additional charge. Contact our office for rates.



# Ruby



Enjoy floating along where Dinosaurs once roamed and Native Americans camped, hunted and gathered foods. The area's rich heritage is hard to ignore, and why would you?! See the same geology as the earlier inhabitants. Through time, layer upon layer of sediments were deposited in shallow seas and meandering river systems that occupied what is now Western Colorado, the Colorado River and the Canyon as we all know it today.

**Our Ruby Canyon adventure**, which floats through the heart of McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area, can be enjoyed by any age at any skill level. This gentle section of the Colorado River makes a perfect retreat from the stresses of everyday life. Kick back and admire the stunning sandstone canyon walls and unwind on sandy beaches.

This amazing wilderness environment is home to many desert creatures and great for wildlife viewing. Watch lizards scurry up sandstone and black rocks, look to the sky for bald and golden eagles soaring overhead, and keep your eyes peeled for river otter playing along the river banks.

Float through the majestic McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area on a big boat or get involved by paddling an inflatable kayak. This is the perfect trip to get the hang of inflatable kayaks; the mild rapids allow anyone to enjoy our signature craft.



## Colorado River H-I on Map

**Trip Length:** 1 & 2-day

**Ruby's Season:**

April–November

**Rapid Classification:** I

**Elevation:** 4,500 feet at launch point (Loma Boat Ramp)

**Craft:** Oar rafts with motor assist and inflatable kayaks

**Meeting time & Place:** 8:00 AM Grand Vista Hotel, Grand Junction, Colorado

**Transportation:** Van service provided, meeting at and returning to Grand Junction, Colorado

**Return Time:** Approximately 5:00 PM Grand Junction, Colorado

**Included:** Tent & Sleeping Pad on 2-day trips

**Optional Rental:** Purchase Sleeping Bag, \$45 each

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# What many people ask

## What weather conditions can I expect?

The weather in this part of the country is not only difficult to predict, it can also change very quickly. It's not unusual to see a variety of conditions occurring over the course of a multi-day trip. Generally, the climate on the Colorado Plateau is drier and we enjoy more days of sunshine than many other places. A good thing to keep in mind is that trips in early spring or late fall can be cooler and wetter than mid-summer trips. The Yampa and Lodore stretches typically see somewhat cooler temperatures throughout the season compared to our other trips. This is due to their higher elevation and latitude.

## Are there age restrictions?

We have age recommendations, depending on water levels and the time of year, although the final decision is left to the parent/guardian. High water Cataract trips are quite aggressive and are for adults and children 12 years of age or older. There is no maximum age for adults.

## What does the price include?

Transportation to and from the meeting place, full course meals beginning with lunch on the first day, and safety equipment (including a life jacket) are all included.

## What kind of meals do you serve?

You will be amazed by the quantity of food appearing out of nowhere and pleasantly surprised by the quality of our grilled entrée dinners, deli style lunches and hot, full-menu breakfasts. Full-course meals are provided from lunch on the first day through lunch on the last day.

## When should I make reservations?

Each year the demand for river trips increases. Federal regulations limit the number of passengers we can accommodate. An early reservation with deposit will secure the trip date you desire.

## Am I expected to work on this trip?

Our guides will handle and maneuver the rafts, pack and unpack them, and prepare all meals. This is your vacation, relax and unwind.

## Have more questions?

Check out our FAQ page online:  
<http://www.adventureboundusa.com/faq.html> or scan the bar code on the right:



**Adventure Bound, Inc.** is an authorized concessionaire of the National Park Service and a Special Permit holder with the Bureau of Land Management.

## Professional Association memberships include:

- America Outdoors
- Colorado River Outfitters Association
- Colorado West Tourism Council
- Utah Guides and Outfitters Association

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## Rapid Classification

The "International Scale of Difficulty" rates rivers on a scale of 1 to 6 according to the difficulty of navigation. It is possible for long rivers to have segments in several categories.

- I Easy** – Small waves, clear passages
- II Medium** – Clear passages, irregular waves
- III Difficult** – Numerous waves, rocks, eddies, and narrow passages
- IV Very Difficult** – Powerful waves, numerous rocks, difficult passages, precise maneuvering required
- V Extremely Difficult** – Long and violent rapids in quick succession, violent currents, steep gradients
- VI Unrunnable** – Not attempted by commercial outfitters

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# Packing Checklist

## Clothing

- Swimwear
- Hat or visor
- Sunglasses & leash
- Quick dry shorts/shirt
- Long sleeve shirt & pants for sun protection
- Bandana
- Fleece shirt/pants
- Thermal under layers
- Wind resistant outer layers
- Rain suit/poncho
- River sandals (Chaco or Teva)
- Dry camp shoes (for evening & hikes)
- Warmer layer for evening (fleece or sweatshirt)
- Socks (hiking & camp)

## Personal items

- Sunscreen
- Lotion/aloë
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Mirror
- Hair brush/comb
- Tissues
- Towel/washcloth
- Soap
- Lip balm with SPF
- Deodorant
- Insect repellent
- Book/magazine
- Medication,  
Both prescription and non-prescription items including , but not limited to, pain reliever, antacid, antihistamine, and so forth. Please contact our office if you need special storage for medication!

## Gear

- Day pack\*
- Sleeping bag
- Pillow
- Sleeping pad
- Tent
- Water bottle
- Flash light
- Camera (at own risk)

## Day Pack\*

Any items you want access to during the day:

- Sunscreen
- Water bottle
- Bug Spray
- Camera (at your own risk)
- Rain gear or poncho

## Optional items

- Wet suit, booties, gloves (for early spring trips)
- Paddling gloves (for inflatable kayaks)
- Fishing gear/license for Colorado and/or Utah.

## Beverages

Adventure Bound will provide water, lemonade, iced tea and in-camp coffee, hot tea, hot chocolate and breakfast juice. We provide coolers and ice for any beverages you may wish to bring or pre-order.

## Cash

Pocket money is advised for refreshment stops during the van ride. Gratuities for guides are greatly appreciated and at your discretion.

## Packing instructions

We provide a dry bag for your gear. We recommend packing your items in a duffel or soft bag which will fit into our water resistant dry bag.

Daytime necessities should be put aside in a daypack\*. Please leave jewelry and other valuables at home. Most hotels will store your extra luggage and valuables. Please see that your gear is actually placed on our van at both the beginning and end of the expedition.

## Rental Gear

Tents and Sleeping Pads are provided on Ruby Canyon and Desolation Canyon trips. On Yampa, Lodore and Cataract Canyon; Rental Tents \$40 each (Sleeps 2-3), Rental Sleeping Pad \$10 each, Purchase Sleeping Bag \$45 each. Sleeping Bags are a purchase and yours to take home after your trip. Sleeping Bags are not included on any river.

Desolation passengers flown by aircraft should limit baggage to a total weight of 25 pounds. Excessive weight will be left at the airstrip. It is strongly suggested that soft drinks and alcoholic beverages be pre-ordered for trips using charter flights.

If you have any questions about any of the above items, your local outdoor sporting goods store can help find the appropriate items to stay comfortable on your trip.

# Reservation and Cancellation Policy

**Reservations** can be made online, by telephone at 970.245.5428 or toll free in the U.S. & Canada at 800.423.4668, or by mailing your deposit to:

ADVENTURE BOUND, Inc.  
2392 H Road  
Grand Junction, CO 81505 USA

Reservations will be confirmed by return mail.

## Deposit Requirement:

- Full payment required for 1-day trips
- \$100 per person for 2-day trips
- \$200 per person for 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7-day trips.

Deposits are non-refundable. Final payment is due 30 days prior to your trip departure and is non-refundable. Because you are reserving space for which we have a limited capacity, our no-refund cancellation policy applies in every instance and there will be no exceptions for any reason. We recommend purchasing "trip interruption" insurance to protect your vacation investment. For a modest fee this insurance provides reimbursement for unforeseen circumstances. We will send an insurance form with your trip confirmation.

## RISK AND RESPONSIBILITY

Although we make every effort to ensure a safe trip, a river expedition is not without some risk. Rapids and rugged terrain are part of the wilderness recreation offered by Adventure Bound, Inc. Wilderness and backcountry travel add their own elements of risk. All campsites are remote and primitive; there is no plumbing, electricity, or outside communication.

Because of the inherent risk in wilderness adventure, you must be capable of participating and will be asked to sign an "Acknowledgement of Risk" form before trip departure. Parents/guardians are required to sign for minors. Adventure Bound, Inc. is equipped to handle emergency first-aid in case of illness or accident. The cost of specialized means of evacuation (such as helicopters) and medical care is the financial responsibility of the injured party. Adventure Bound, Inc. cannot assume responsibility for loss of personal belongings or for missed flights or any other travel connections. Our return times are not guaranteed. Adventure Bound, Inc. reserves the right to cancel a trip due to lack of reservations. A full refund will be made in this case.



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*"As a first timer, it was more than I could have imagined. What a fabulous weekend! Of course, that was very much due to the nature of the group AND, more importantly, the group of guides! Really, what a treat to spend my (rare) vacation days with such a great group of folks. It is obvious you love what you do. I feel fortunate to have been able to experience rafting and to do so with you. You guys are wonderful."*

— **Elizabeth H.**