

SINCE 1982,
OVER 100,000
HAPPY GUESTS

- PERFECT BEGINNER TRIPS
- OUTSTANDING SAFETY PROCEDURES
- EXCELLENT GUIDES AND EQUIPMENT
- SPECTACULAR SCENERY
- FUN AND EXCITING NEW SPORT

DATES

DAILY

PRICES*

- 2-3 HOURS, 3 MILES
- ADULTS AND YOUTH, \$65 PER PERSON, MIN 6 PERSONS, OR CHARTER THE ENTIRE BOAT FOR \$390

PLUS 7% RIVER USE FEE

MEETING TIME & PLACE

- TIME CAN VARY, SO CONTACT THE OFFICE
- MEET AT 6500 HIGHWAY 49, COLOMA

*All prices are subject to an additional charge of 5% for River



Guided Raft Express Adventures

SOUTH FORK OF THE AMERICAN RIVER, CLASS I-II

*OUR BOAT,
Your guide does
the rowing, and
you enjoy the
river, the scenery,
and the guide's
tales about the
river.*



THIS TRIP IS IDEAL FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AGES FOUR AND UP!

THIS TRIP IS A SHORT 2-3 HOUR INTRODUCTION TO WHITEWATER RAFTING FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO TRY SOMETHING DIFFERENT AND FEEL INDEPENDENT.

- **IF YOU HAVE LIMITED TIME YET STILL WANT TO EXPERIENCE RAFTING!**
- **YOU HAVE CHILDREN AS YOUNG AS 4 OR AS OLD AS 90 YEARS OLD!**
- **YOU JUST WANT TO TRY SOMETHING DIFFERENT!**

You will have time to enjoy the peacefulness of the canyon and its wildlife along the river, watch the ducks and geese play in the current, and just have fun in this gentle introduction to whitewater rafting. Your guide will entertain you with stories of the 1849 Gold Rush and will point out the interesting ways of nature.

The rapids are easy Class I-II level of intensity (not very intense). A professional guide rows the boat while you sit and enjoy the scenery and the rapids.

The boat we will use for this trip is our very safe and sturdy oar boat. Youth ages 4-7 will get to enjoy the river while riding in one of the oar-rigged boats (see photo above) or a paddle boat.

TRIP ITINERARY 2-3 HOURS, 3 MILES

Join us at our riverside camp at 12 pm. Your guides will greet you and give you a trip orientation. You will board our shuttle vehicle for the 10-minute drive to our "put-in" at the Hwy 49 bridge. You will be introduced to your boat, given a brief safety orientation, a lifejacket, and off you go into the current.

You will have plenty of time to drift in the current and admire the beautiful scenery. You will probably see ducks, geese, perhaps a river otter and turtle. You will have great fun as you float through many Class I and II ripples and rapids!

We raft to the Mariah Campground. You may want to buy a souvenir t-shirt from our camp store before heading home.

WHAT TO BRING—

FOR ON-RIVER

- SHORTS/SWIMSUIT
- T-SHIRT* FOR SUN PROTECTION
- SHOES THAT FIT SECURELY ON YOUR FEET, SUCH AS:
- TENNIS SHOES. (SANDALS MUST FIT SECURELY; TEVAS WITH VELCRO STRAPS CAN OFTEN COME LOOSE AND SLIP OFF.)
- HAT* OR VISOR*
- SUNSCREEN*
- SUNGLASSES* & CHUMS*
- CAMERA: DISPOSABLE* WATER-PROOF (OPT.)
- COOL WEATHER ADD WOOL/POLYPRO SOCKS, HAT, GLOVES, SHIRT OR SWEATER

* Sold in our camp store.

PLACES TO STAY THE NIGHT BEFORE YOUR TRIP

Combine your raft trip with an overnight stay in one of several wonderful hotels and bed & breakfast accommodations.

Enjoy strolling main street Placerville (historic gold discovery settlement), antiquing and visiting specialty gift shops.

Placerville, places to stay include:

- Best Western at 530-622-9100
- Historic Cary House Hotel, 530-622-4271
- Historic Shafsky House Bed & Breakfast, 530-642-2776

Coloma, places to stay include:

- The Sierra Nevada House (530-626-8096) • The Coloma Country Inn (530-622-6919)

Call the El Dorado County Visitors Authority at 887-588-4386 to obtain a listing of all the local hotels and bed & breakfasts.

Georgetown, places to stay:

- American River Inn (800-245-6566)

CAMPING

- American River Resort (530-622-6700)
- Camp Lotus (530-622-8672)
- Ask us about camping at Mariah Campground

DIRECTIONS

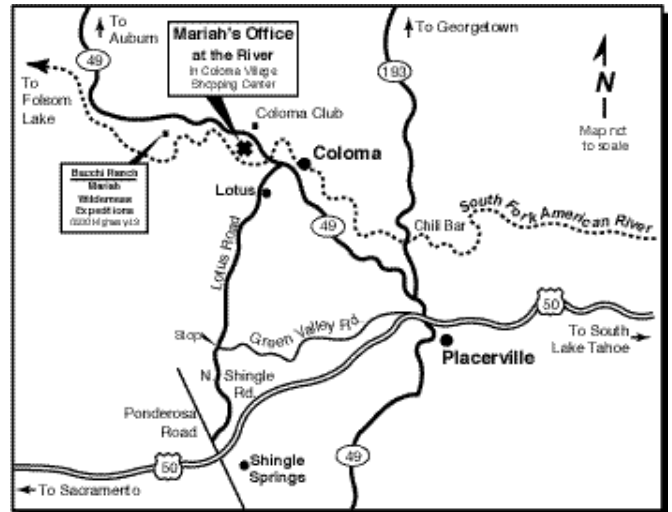
Take **Highway I-80** or **Highway I-5** to Sacramento. Continue east about 36 miles on **Highway 50** toward Placerville to the Ponderosa Road exit at Shingle Springs. Turn left over the freeway and right at the stop onto North Shingle Road. Drive about 11 miles to **Highway 49**, where Lotus Road deadends. North Shingle Road becomes Lotus Road at about 4.5 miles. Turn left onto Highway 49 and drive 2 miles to the Mariah Wilderness Expeditions sign at **6500 Highway 49** on left side of the road. Drive in, park next to the Welcome Mariah sign, walk down to the kitchen where your Head Guide will be waiting to check you in.

NOTE: Our Coloma field office is located in the Coloma Village Shopping Center at 7170 Highway 49. Don't stop there. Drive past it to our camp located at **6500 Highway 49**.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

Mariah Wilderness Expeditions has an excellent record of providing safe and fun river adventures. While most of our trips are not strenuous, they can be a dramatic change in routine and do involve some risk. We take many safety precautions and ask you to respond to our safety requirements:

- It is your responsibility to select a river trip appropriate to your abilities and physical condition. Please call to discuss any concerns that you may have.
- Please consult your doctor and discuss with us in advance any medical conditions that would restrict your full participation.
- Our life jackets will fit a maximum chest size of 52 inches and 280 lbs.
- You will be required to sign an Assumption of Risk and Liability Release before your trip begins.



CANCELLATION & REFUNDS

Due to our limited trip sizes, we turn away others once your reservation has been submitted. If you must cancel your trip, please notify us as soon as possible. Upon receipt of written notice 31 days or more prior to your launch date, you will receive a full refund less your per person deposit. Any cancellation made within 30 days of the trip will not be eligible for a refund. You may, however, substitute another person without penalty.

We reserve the right to cancel a trip due to weather, water conditions, or other good cause beyond our control. Should this occur, your trip fees will be fully credited towards another trip.



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