

The Grand Tradition – 14 & 16-Day Oar Trip

Lees Ferry to Diamond Creek

225 River Miles

On this 14 or 16-Day Oar Expeditions, your journey will take you 225 miles through the Grand Canyon, from Lees Ferry to Diamond Creek. Leave your watch behind and the details to us. Your trip is not measured in hours and minutes, only sun up until sun down. Your only schedule is to arrive at the take out destination the morning of the last day of your expedition. So relax, and enjoy the grandeur of the Grand Canyon.

The Day Before: Please plan to arrive in Page, Arizona the day prior to your trip departure. You will require accommodations in Page, AZ. Wilderness River Adventures will arrange your reservations at Lake Powell Resorts and Marina for an additional cost. Resort confirmations will be sent with your trip instructions. You will be charged at the time of booking. That evening you will attend a “Get Acquainted” orientation at Lake Powell Sport Shop walking distance from the resort.

The Day of Departure: We transport all members of the expedition to the Colorado River launch point at Lees Ferry, Arizona via chartered bus. The drive takes approximately 1 hour and is 46 miles from Lake Powell Resort.

TYPICAL DAY ON THE COLORADO RIVER: Wake up to the smell of freshly-brewed cowboy coffee – sounds of rushing water mingled with the murmur of sleepy voices echoing through the grotto’s of the canyon walls. Breakfast is hot and hearty – or as light as you want. After breakfast you will be asked to form a “bucket line” to help load the gear back on the boats and then the Colorado River beckons and you are off once again experiencing the rush of adrenaline as you continue on your journey back in time. Enjoy spectacular white water of major rapids, such as House Rock Rapid, Hermit Rapid, Sockdolager, Crystal Rapid and Lava Falls – you will see and enjoy dozens of additional sights including Vasey’s Paradise, Redwall Caverns, The Little Colorado, and Havasu Creek as well as stretches of calm water where you will relax in the warm sun and enjoy breathtaking scenery. Photographic opportunities abound in the upper canyon. Lunch on the Colorado River...builds your own sandwiches, with chips, cookies, fruit and soft drinks. Relax, read book or perhaps hike or fish before shoving off again for an afternoon of thrills and surprises. Late afternoon finds you at camp for the evening. Again you will be asked to help unload the gear from the boats. As your crew sets up the camp kitchen everyone finds their ideal camp spot and sets up their “home” for the night. Later you relax with a cool drink and hors d’oeuvres, get better acquainted with your fellow river companions – as dinner sizzles on the grill. After dinner watch the sun set, join in the conversation of the group, and listen to the quiet of the canyon as you settle into your sleeping bag under a blanket of stars. Tomorrow brings another typical day on the Colorado River.

THE LAST DAY: Your expedition terminates at Diamond Creek river mile 225. At approximately 9:00 am, you and your gear will be transported from Diamond Creek to the canyon rim via a chartered bus to Peach Springs, Arizona. You will then be transported via a previously arranged charter flight back to Page, AZ or Las Vegas, NV. Your charter flight is included in your trip cost.

Transportation Arrangements

(Refer to the enclosed Optional Related Facilities and Transportation)

1. If you are flying to Page, Arizona

GETTING THERE: Take a scheduled chartered flight into Page, Arizona from Las Vegas, Nevada arriving the day before your river trip. Complimentary shuttle service is available from the Page Airport to Lake Powell Resorts and Marina.

GOING HOME: We arrange bus transportation from the river to Peach Springs, AZ approximately 1 hour. Also included is your flight from Peach Springs, AZ to the North Las Vegas Airport. You will be transported by shuttle to McCarran International Airport or your hotel in Las Vegas. **Do not schedule a flight out of Las Vegas before 5:00 pm.**

2. If you are driving to Page, Arizona

GETTING THERE: Drive your car to Page, Arizona and leave it in our parking area at Lake Powell Resorts and Marina the morning your trip departs.

GOING HOME: We arrange bus transportation from the river to Peach Springs, AZ approximately 1 hour. Also included is your flight from Peach Springs, AZ to Page, AZ. A complimentary shuttle service available from the Page Airport back to Lake Powell Resort and Marina.