

## WHERE TO BE & WHEN TO BE THERE

Currently all trips meet at Camp Lotus:  
5461 Bassi Road, Lotus CA 95651

South Fork of the American River &  
Section Being Rafted

### One Day Excursions

Chili Bar (Upper): Meet at 8:30 a.m.  
This section ends near 2 p.m.

Gorge (Lower): Meet at 11:00 a.m.  
This section ends near 5 p.m.

Full River Excursion: Meet at 8:30 a.m.  
This trip ends near 5 p.m.

Overnight Excursions: Times Vary  
Check your confirmation documentation

*Middle Fork Trips Meet Early! Please check our sister  
company's documentation provided to you.*

Driving Directions from Sacramento:

- \* US Hwy 50 East - approx. 30-miles
- \* Exit Ponderosa Road
- \* Left Over Freeway
- \* First Right onto N.Shingle Road
- \* Proceed approx. 11-miles to stop sign
- \* Left onto Bassi Road @ stop sign
- \* 1-mile to Camp Lotus on Right  
(No dogs allowed in Camp Lotus)

### POINT OF INTEREST!

FROM VARIOUS CA CITIES TO CAMP LOTUS:

San Diego	575-miles
Los Angeles	435-miles
Yosemite Valley	160-miles
San Francisco	140-miles
Reno	125-miles
South Lake Tahoe	70-miles
Dwntwn Sacramento	55-miles

## WHAT TO BRING & WHAT'S INCLUDED

All **one-day excursions** include: raft, personal flotation device, paddle, professional guide, shuttle to put-in and/or from take-out and a meal.

**Two-day excursions** include all the above plus dinner and breakfast. *Special requests can generally be accommodated with adequate notice. An additional fee may apply. Inquire at time of booking.*

*Please Note, YOU are responsible for camping and parking fees. Currently we camp @ Camp Lotus and recommend you call and book your site (530-622-8672). Tell them you're with AWA!*

### What to Bring

#### - One-day excursion -

- Swimsuit & Shorts
  - Shirts – Long and Short Sleeve
  - Shoes – Water, tennis or strapping sandals
  - Sun Hat / BBall Cap – with string to secure it
  - Water Bottle / Lip Balm Sunscreen style
  - Sunglasses – with something to secure them
  - Camera – waterproof only!
  - Towel – for camp not on the boat ;~)
  - SUNBLOCK – get a good waterproof one
- **Two-day excursion** - all the above plus...

- Tent
- Flashlight
- Sleeping Bag
- Pillow
- Jacket or sweatshirt
- Pants or sweats
- Toothbrush & paste
- Other personal toiletries
- Book and or games to play around campfire

**TOP SECRET**



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## WHITEWATER RAFTING INFORMATION MANUAL

### PROPERTY OF **ACTION WHITEWATER** **ADVENTURES** & THEIR CONSTITUENTS

**THIS MANUAL MUST BE READ AND  
MEMORIZED COMPLETELY BEFORE ANY  
FUN MAY BE HAD.**

**FAILURE TO READ AND PREPARE  
PROPERLY CAN RESULT IN: IMPROPER  
RIVER ATTIRE, INAPPROPRIATE ITEMS  
HAVING TO NAVIGATE THE RIVER,  
PERSONS BEING EXCLUDED FROM THE  
RIVER TRIP AS WELL AS COMPLETE AND  
TOTAL EMBARRASSMENT. (AS A CREW, WE LOVE  
A GOOD LAUGH, SO PLEASE... IGNORE THIS PAPERWORK)**

## WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

For many of us, rafting is new and as with anything new, there are a million questions.

You can expect a competent and engaging crew

You can expect to have a good time

You can expect there to be mellow times during the raft trip

You can expect to get wet

You can expect the water to be cold

You can expect to be challenged

You can swim a rapid

You can stare in awe at the beauty of the canyon

You'll see historical artifacts from the Gold Rush

You can expect to feel accomplished and proud

You can expect to come back again and again.

## 3-SURE FIRE WAYS TO GET KICKED OFF A RAFT TRIP

1. Forget your SIGNED liability release form

2. Wear IMPROPER shoes. You MUST have shoes that strap/tie onto the foot. Flip-Flops, Crocks and the like DO NOT QUALIFY

3. Show up inebriated/drunken - Alcohol lowers your body temperature, the river is cold. IF you swim, there is a great risk of hyperthermia.

## WHAT WE EXPECT

Yea, yea, we have some basic expectations.

We expect you to have a good time

We expect you to ask questions

We expect you to bring your liability form, signed BEFORE we leave for the river

We expect you've read this form and are in perfect river attire, INCLUDING PROPER SHOES.

We expect you to understand the river is a natural happenstance that is man/damn controlled. Thus, we're required to tell you the following: *"Water Notice: Water flows in the South Fork of the American River result from hydroelectric facilities located upstream. Such water releases are not subject to the control of El Dorado County or commercial rafting companies operating under permits from the County of El Dorado. A 10% land use fee is added to all trips. You may check water flows at [www.theamericanriver.com](http://www.theamericanriver.com)"*

We expect you may wonder, "What is perfect river attire?" - The shoes are most important. After that, you can go naked if you'd like (AWA cannot be held liable for any fines or jail time that occurs due to people choosing to go naked) A swimsuit with shorts, a light t-shirt for sun protection, a strap on type hat and or sunglasses. Plenty of good sunblock, we like the all natural without PABA and all the chemical stuff.

We expect you understand this isn't a ride at a theme park and sometimes the river isn't going to be wildly bucking you about.

We're honored you chose us for your vacation!

## AND ALL THE REST...

**Gratuities/Tips:** Gratuities/Tips are certainly allowed and appreciated. As I'm sure you'll witness, our employees and guides work diligently to make your trip outstanding! While the job is amazing, their pay is not based on hours, rather they're paid by day. Thus, if you feel a tip is in order, feel free! And know this, it'll be greatly appreciated.

**Lodging:** Most choose to camp at Camp Lotus. They have free showers and bathrooms and a small camp store. Too they have very few cabins for rent, call to reserve your site or cabin as you are responsible for your camping and parking fees. 530-622-8672

El Dorado Chamber of Commerce (530) 621-5885, for a complete listing of motels and campgrounds in the area.

**Parking:** Vehicles can be left at the Camp Lotus parking lot. Action Whitewater Adventures assumes no responsibility for vehicles left at Camp Lotus.

**Personal Items:** Please leave your personal items locked in your vehicle. **ONLY** river ready items should make their way onto a shuttle & to the river. Items that cannot be on the river and are taken to put in, will have to be brought down the river.

**Alcohol:** No Alcoholic beverages are allowed on the rafts at any time. However, they may be brought along and left in your vehicle for use in camp. Action Whitewater Adventures reserves the right to decline access to the trip to anyone deemed too inebriated to safely raft, no refunds will be granted for this declination.

**Weather:** Check the web [www.actionwhitewater.com](http://www.actionwhitewater.com)

**Cameras / Film:** We recommend that you bring a waterproof camera. As an alternative, a good waterproof camera bag is suggested.

**Cancellation Policy:** Due to permit regulations and space availability, we are forced to deny other rafters once your reservation is received. Thus, cancellations received by written notice, 30-or more days prior to your trip launch date will receive a full refund less the deposit. For all cancellations received with less than 30-days written notice a refund will not be issued. Another party member can be substituted for the cancelling member without loss of monies deposited. Please forward new member's information immediately as we'll need to process trip paperwork with that individual.

**Wetsuits:** Wetsuits are not required.

**Equipment Rental:** AWA does have a limited number of sleeping bags and tents for rent. Inquire at booking.