



# Welcome to Adventure Connection!

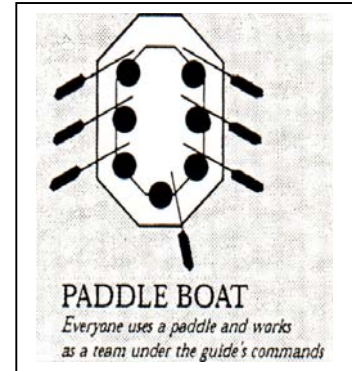
## Kaweah River

### 2-Day Trip Information, Itinerary & Directions

**CLASS V (ADVANCED - HIGH INTENSITY WHITEWATER-10 MILES)**

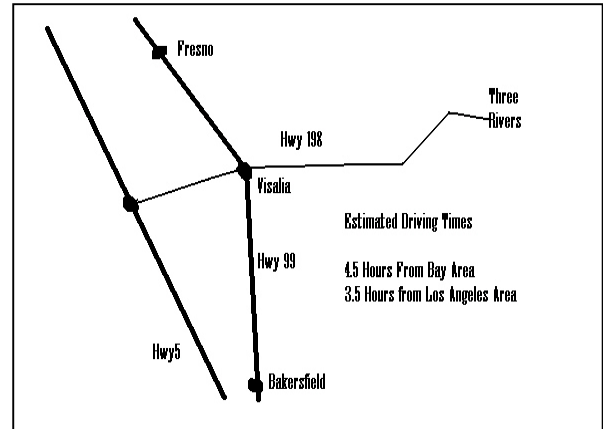
#### TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- \***Wild Whitewater**, a giant step-up for experienced paddlers in good condition
- \*Steep, technical rapids, ready to thrill you with an outstanding adventure
- \*A springtime whitewater challenge, and a great transition to summer rafting fun
- \*16-20 miles of almost continuous torrential whitewater with many Class IV & V rapids
- \***One of America's steepest rivers** and some of the most exciting rapids in California
- \*Four delicious and hearty meals prepared by your guides
- \***A very intense two days of excitement and challenging thrills in a beautiful Sierra Nevada river canyon near Sequoia National Park**



#### MEETING TIME AND PLACE

- \***8:30AM** the morning of your trip
- \***Three Rivers Hideaway Resort**, approximately **30 miles east of Visalia**, about **3.5 hours from the Los Angeles area**, and **4.5 hours from the Bay area**.



#### DIRECTIONS

Take **Hwy 198 East** from Visalia to **Three Rivers**.

Our physical address is 43365 Sierra Dr. (Hwy. 198). We are located on the North side of Hwy. 198, 37 miles East of Hwy. 99, 1/4 mile past the Sierra Lodge on your left. Directly across the road from the We Three Bakery.

#### TRIP ITINERARY

**Get ready for two great days on the river!** After check-in at 8:30 a.m. and a *physical fitness test*, we board our river van and head for the put-in a short distance away. En route your guides will present orientation and safety information. At the river you will receive your paddle, life jacket, wetsuits and helmet. We launch our boats and head for the excitement of almost continuous Class V rapids like *Suicide Falls!*

We stop mid-day for a hearty lunch along the river, have time to enjoy the peace of the canyon, and then continue the day's run with more big rapids like *The Ledges*. Our shuttle vehicle will greet us at take-out with beverages for the ride back to the campground where dinner will be served. The next morning we'll have breakfast and head back up to the top of the river and run it again (lunch provided)! At the end of the second day you'll head for home about 4 p.m., happy, relaxed and full of memories from a very exciting river trip experience!



## **PLACES TO STAY THE NIGHT BEFORE YOUR TRIP**

We meet for our trip in Three Rivers at the **Three Rivers Hideaway**, [www.threerivershideaway.com](http://www.threerivershideaway.com), a comfortable campground where you may want to stay the night before (and perhaps the night following) your trip. Camping is on a first come first served basis with plenty of space, there are cabins available as well. Check [www.thekaweahriver.com](http://www.thekaweahriver.com) for more information on local businesses.

## **OTHER CAMPGROUNDS:**

\*Sequoia National Park 800-365-2267

## **MOTELS:**

\*Kaweah Park Resort 559-561-4424

\*Gateway Inn 559-561-4133

\*Sequoia Motel 559-561-4453

\*Buckeye Tree Lodge 559-561-5900

\*River Inn 559-561-4367

\*Best Western 800-528-1234

\*Sierra Lodge 800-367-8879

## **BED & BREAKFASTS:**

\*Organic Gardens 559-561-0916

\*Cort Cottage 559-561-4671

## **PHOTOS & TIPS**

At the end of the trip you will have the chance to view and purchase photos of your raft running the Kaweah River – a wonderful reminder of your exciting day with Adventure Connection.

We are frequently asked if it is customary to tip the guides. Our guides' goal is to provide you with a fun and safe river trip. Although a tip is not required, they do enjoy a token of your appreciation for a job especially well done.

## **PLEASE COME PHYSICALLY & MENTALLY PREPARED**

The Kaweah is a very exciting and challenging Class V river. Participants need to be both physically and mentally prepared for this trip and have **prior Class IV paddling experience**.

Due to the difficulty of this river our guides must feel comfortable with all rafters' abilities. You will need to participate in a Class V physical fitness test, which includes a short swim and jog.

For your safety we reserve the right to turn away anyone we feel will jeopardize the safety of the trip. Please call us in advance if you have any concerns.

## **FOR YOUR SAFETY**

Adventure Connection 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 consult your doctor and discuss with us in advance any medical or dietary conditions that would restrict your full participation. (Our meals are planned to naturally respond to vegetarian requests.)

\*Our life jackets will fit a maximum chest size of 52 inches.

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Please call to discuss any concerns that you may have.

***You will be required to sign an assumption of risk and liability release before your trip begins.***

## **CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY**

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 cause beyond our control. Should this occur, your trip fees will be fully credited towards another trip. All refunds and credits shall be limited to amounts actually paid to Adventure Connection.

