



Welcome to Adventure Connection!

South Fork & North Fork American River 2-Day Combo Trip Information, Itinerary & Directions

CLASS III-IV (INTERMEDIATE to ADVANCED: MEDIUM-HIGH INTENSITY WHITEWATER-18 MILES)

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

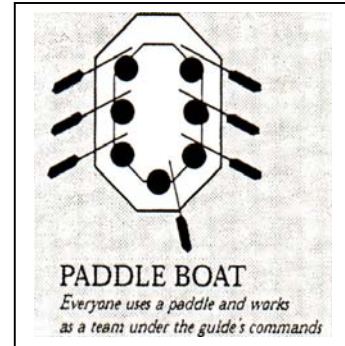
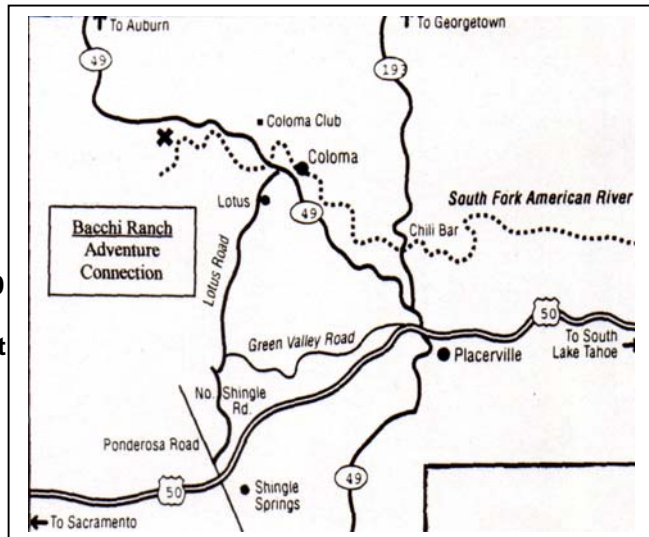
- *Combine two great California Rivers
- *The perfect trip for experienced paddlers.
- *Two days rafting, two nights camping, 5 great meals, & 18 miles of rafting
- *Camp both nights at our South Fork American riverside camp where we enjoy hot showers, flush toilets, volleyball, horseshoes, camp store and campfire
- *Great guides, skilled and ready to provide a safe and fun outdoor adventure
- *Two full days of fun, relaxation and excitement in two beautiful river canyons

MEETING TIME AND PLACE

- 7 AM** the morning of your trip
***6500 Hwy 49, Coloma**, approximately **50 minutes east of Sacramento on Hwy 49**, about **3 hours from the Bay area**.

DIRECTIONS

Take Hwy I-80 or Hwy I-5 to Sacramento, then Hwy 50 east towards Placerville/So Lake Tahoe. In about 30 miles you'll take the Ponderosa Road exit, turn left at the light over the freeway, then make an immediate right at the next light onto North Shingle Road. At mile 4.5 that becomes Lotus Road which you follow to the stop sign at Hwy. 49 (mile 11.3). Turn left to the Adventure Connection sign at 6500 Hwy. 49 on your left, turn into the gate and follow the signs to our meeting area.



TRIP ITINERARY

Get ready for great days on the river!

Join us the evening before your trip at our South Fork camp. The first morning we enjoy breakfast at 7 a.m. and head for the North Fork. En route your guides will present orientation and safety information. At the launch site you will receive your paddle, life jacket, wetsuit and helmet. We warm up practicing paddling skills with our guides, and head for the excitement of *Slaughter Sluice*, *Chamberlain Falls* and *Staircase* rapids! We stop mid-day for a delicious lunch along the river and then run more rapids and return to camp tired and happy with time to relax over dinner and campfire.

The next day we shuttle to the top of the South Fork ready for lots more fun and exciting rapids like *Meatgrinder*, *Triple Threat* and the infamous *Troublemaker*. Our trip ends with a barbecue lunch back at camp. We head home with fond farewells around 3 p.m., relaxed and filled with memories of a great river trip experience!



CAMPING AT OUR SOUTH FORK BASE CAMP THE NIGHT BEFORE YOUR TRIP

Your trip includes camping at our South Fork camp the night prior to your trip. You may come into camp anytime **after 5 p.m.**, set up your campsite, and enjoy the evening. Dinner the night prior is not included. You may wish to eat before reaching camp.

The next morning your trip begins with a hearty breakfast and check-in at **7 a.m.** Some of our trips depart for the North Fork on day one whilst others go on day two. Either way you should be at our camp **NO LATER THAN 7:00 AM** on day one. Due to permit requirements launch times vary for the North Fork. Some trips leave early, others enjoy a more leisurely morning. You will not need to pack your camping gear as we return to this same camp at the end of the day.

PHOTOS & TIPS

The evening between our river days and at the end of the trip, you will have the chance to view and purchase photos of your paddleboat running the North and South Fork—a wonderful reminder of your exciting days 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.

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 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 meals are planned to naturally respond to vegetarian requests.
- *Our life jackets will fit a maximum chest size of 52 inches.

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 our 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.

WATER FLOW NOTICE

Water flows in the South Fork American River result from releases from hydroelectric facilities 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.



