

# RAFT

COLORADO



FREE Wetsuits, River Boots & Splash Jackets!

 **RAFT MASTERS**

**Fun Adventure Memories SINCE 1989**

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**RaftMasters.com**

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# Fun... Adventures... Memories.

## Why Raft Masters?

Raft Masters has been in business *under the same ownership* since 1989. Few rafting companies can boast of that length of continuous dedication and service. At Raft Masters we strive to be "The BEST rafting company in Colorado" by offering quality professional rafting experiences. Our prices are competitive and reflect the quality and experience you and your family expect.

The Arkansas River is America's Number One whitewater river, and Raft Masters' Number One priority is providing you with the finest raft trip possible. Our attention to your comfort, safety, and enjoyment is reflected in our guides and equipment—the best.

## We provide all your gear

Raft Masters' FREE wetsuit, river boot and paddle jacket use allows you to "Experience the Thrill without the Chill."™ You will enjoy your trip in greater comfort and safety. Washed and rinsed after every use, we have all adult and child sizes. For your safety we require helmets and provide them on all trips.

Raft Masters provides:

- FREE wetsuit use
- FREE river boot use
- FREE paddle jacket use
- Fun, professional guides
- Extensive pre-trip safety orientation
- No extra charge on weekends
- Two-way radio communication
- Short shuttles
- Member CROA, AROA, AO
- Handicapped accessible



## Our facilities

Raft Masters has changing rooms, clean restrooms with flush toilets, photos, t-shirts and souvenirs.

What you need to bring:

- A swimsuit or shorts
- Towel
- Dry clothes for after the trip.

## What About The Kids?

Your children's safety is always our first priority. We have helmets, wetsuits, and boots in all child sizes. Depending on water levels and river conditions, Royal Gorge raft trips may not be appropriate or available for minors — please inquire.



## Tiny Tots?

Ask about our Family Float Trips!

**EXPLORE** Colorado's Best  
**RAFT** Trips with the  
**MASTERS** in Whitewater  
**ADVENTURE!**

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# TWO GREAT RIVERS

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## River Rapid Class Rating System

- Easy **Class I**
- Novice **Class II**
- Intermediate **Class III**
- Advanced **Class IV**
- Expert **Class V**



# ARKANSAS RIVER

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The Arkansas River is America's most popular rafting river, and with good reason! Spectacular scenery and rafting for all ages and abilities combine to make unforgettable experiences.



## THE ROYAL GORGE



This adventure packed trip through the 1100' cliffs of the Royal Gorge is the ultimate challenge. Famous for its steep drops, huge waves, and continuous Class III to Class IV+ whitewater, the spectacular scenery and rapids of the Royal Gorge will thrill the most experienced whitewater veteran. Suggested age varies with water levels.

**Half Day – 10 miles** | \$79 per person

Head straight into the action! This is our favorite trip. Our world-class reputation was built on this famous section and our seasoned guides can give you the thrills you seek.

**Full Day – 19 miles** | \$149 per person

Warm up on the best of Bighorn Sheep Canyon and, after our picnic style buffet lunch, finish with a heart-pounding trip through the Royal Gorge.

**Double Dip – 20 miles** | \$159 per person

Once is not enough? Double your thrills with our back-to-back trips through the Royal Gorge. Buffet lunch included. Minimum group 4.

## BIGHORN SHEEP CANYON



Bighorn Sheep Canyon, home to numerous herds of Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep, is an exciting trip for the whole family. This action-packed scenic ride offers the ideal introduction to whitewater rafting. Class II to Class III+ rapids guarantee an exciting time as you ride the roller coaster waves of the Arkansas River. Suggested age 5.

**Half Day – 9 miles** | \$69 per person

Our most popular trip on the Arkansas River. Great for families and first-timers.

### Family Rafting Deal for Children 5 Times Child's Age



Must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Cannot be combined with other discounts. Not applicable for groups.

## MULTI-DAY TRIPS

Minimum group 4



Join us for two or three days of total river experience on the Arkansas River. Trips include meals prepared by our experienced and entertaining guides in your riverside camps. Bring your fishing gear and license and try for some of the Arkansas' famous German Brown trout. Tents, sleeping bags, and pads included.

**2 Day Trip** | \$399 adults

This is the perfect trip to experience the total rafting adventure. Wake up to the sounds of the river.

**3 Day Trip** | \$499 adults

Escape the hectic summer crowds on our three day trips. Relax and enjoy uninterrupted fun and food.

DEAL

Multi-day trips can be extended to include an afternoon trip through the Royal Gorge for an additional \$65.

## FAMILY FLOAT TRIPS



Whitewater not your thing? The Family Float raft trip is a scenic, leisurely paced trip chosen specifically to provide a river rafting experience with minimum whitewater. Ages: Toddler to Senior

**12 Years & Under** | \$39 per person

**Adults** | \$49 per person

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# CLEAR CREEK

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Steep and narrow Clear Creek offers some of Colorado's most exciting whitewater. Only 25 miles west of Denver, it is a short and scenic drive from your stay in Denver, or stop in on your way into Colorado's spectacular high country. Ages may vary with water levels.

## Classic Beginner | \$49 per person **II** **III**

A great mountain trip for the whole family. This exciting one-third day trip is filled with non-stop action packed Class III whitewater as you raft through the historic Idaho Springs mining district. Suggested age 5.

## Canyon Intermediate | \$59 per person **III** **IV**

This is Clear Creek's most popular stretch of river! Brace yourself for nearly 10 miles of continuous Class III and Class IV action. This is our choice for thrill-seekers and adventurous first time rafters. Suggested age 14.

## Canyon Advanced | \$85 per person **IV** **IV+**

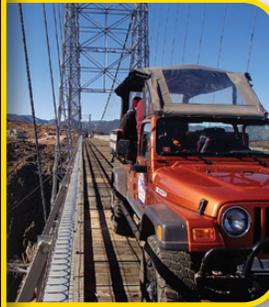
Our most challenging trip, running the intense rapids of Lower Clear Creek Canyon, including Beaver Falls, Guide Ejector, Double Knife, Hells Corner. Prior Class IV experience with Raft Masters required. Only run at optimum water levels. Minimum age 18.



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# PACKAGE DEALS

We've combined some of Cañon City's best activities with our own whitewater adventures. For complete details on any of these Arkansas River packages contact us or read about them at [RaftMasters.com/Packages](http://RaftMasters.com/Packages)



**Rail & Raft** Start your day with a scenic roundtrip train ride through the Royal Gorge. After your buffet lunch at our "Eddy Out Cafe", choose an afternoon Family Float or whitewater raft trip on either Bighorn Sheep Canyon or the more challenging Royal Gorge.

### COACH SEATS

|                | ADULT | CHILD* |
|----------------|-------|--------|
| FAMILY FLOAT   | \$105 | \$89   |
| BIGHORN CANYON | \$125 | \$119  |
| ROYAL GORGE    | \$135 |        |

### DOMES SEATS

|                | ADULT | CHILD* |
|----------------|-------|--------|
| FAMILY FLOAT   | \$135 | \$119  |
| BIGHORN CANYON | \$155 | \$149  |
| ROYAL GORGE    | \$165 |        |

\*children 12 & under

**Jeep & Raft** This Royal Gorge Loop tour literally puts you on the edge of one of Colorado's most picturesque attractions. Look down into the breathtaking Royal Gorge as this tour takes you over America's highest suspension bridge and onto picturesque Fremont Peak. Experience an old west cemetery and dinosaur tracks before lunch and cooling off on a half day raft adventure.

|                | ADULT | CHILD* |
|----------------|-------|--------|
| BIGHORN CANYON | \$185 | \$165  |
| ROYAL GORGE    | \$195 |        |

\*children 12 & under



**ATV Ride & Raft** Start your day with either the Royal Gorge or the Bighorn Sheep Canyon whitewater adventure followed by an all you can eat lunch at the Eddie Out Cafe. Then ride the trails of the Rocky Mountains on an ATV. You will enjoy amazing views, trails and wildlife.

|                | DRIVER | RIDER |
|----------------|--------|-------|
| BIGHORN CANYON | \$189  | \$139 |
| ROYAL GORGE    | \$199  | \$149 |



## Boat & Bridge

Experience all the wonders of the Royal Gorge Bridge and Park with any morning half-day raft trip or Family Float on the Arkansas River. After your buffet lunch at our "Eddy Out Cafe" you'll enjoy an afternoon of scenery, history, and family fun at the Royal Gorge Park.

|                | ADULT | CHILD* |
|----------------|-------|--------|
| FAMILY FLOAT   | \$85  | \$69   |
| BIGHORN CANYON | \$105 | \$99   |
| ROYAL GORGE    | \$115 |        |

\*children 12 & under



**Dip & Zip Line** After rafting and lunch experience a high-flying adventure at Seven Falls in Colorado Springs' South Cheyenne Canyon. The "Woods" course or the more challenging "Fins" course range from 300 feet to 1800 feet at heights up to 500 feet with stunning views of waterfalls and the canyon below.

|                | WOODS | FINS  |
|----------------|-------|-------|
| BIGHORN CANYON | \$185 | \$219 |
| ROYAL GORGE    | \$195 | \$229 |

# EQUIPMENT

# RIVER RAPID CLASS RATING SYSTEM

Raft Masters maintains state-of-the-art rafting equipment. We have several raft types to choose from to give you the excitement you're looking for. Rafts may have as few as two guests or as many as ten depending upon conditions.

**Paddle Rafts** require guest participation and are more strenuous. They are recommended for adventurous people in good physical condition. You will maneuver our state-of-the-art, self-bailing paddle rafts under the direction of your experienced guide.



**Oar & Paddle Assist Rafts** are designed with your comfort in mind. On an **Oar Raft** our experienced guide will maneuver your raft while you simply hold on and enjoy the scenic splendor of Colorado. The **Paddle Assist Raft** gives you the choice of hanging on or paddling. A Paddle Assist Raft is an option for those with less experience who may want to assist in the maneuvering of the raft.



- Easy** **Class I** Water with riffles and small waves and few obstructions that are easily missed.
- Novice** **Class II** Straightforward rapids with wide, clear channels. Some maneuvering required. Rocks and medium waves are easily missed.
- Intermediate** **Class III** Rapids with moderate, irregular waves that are difficult to avoid with tight passages, strong eddies and currents.
- Advanced** **Class IV** Intense, predictable rapids requiring precise boat handling, with some unavoidable waves and tight passages.
- Expert** **Class V** Very long or extreme rapids. Drops may contain large, unavoidable waves and tight chutes with complex routes.

## WANT MORE?

### ARKANSAS RIVER TRIP ADD-ONS

**Lunch** Add a grilled buffet lunch to your trip. Great food served on-site at our Eddy Out Cafe includes all-you-want-to-eat premium hamburgers, hot dogs, and veggie burgers. Served with chips, veggies, fruit, toppings and condiments, and lemonade. Included on all Package Deals. **\$9**

**Wine Tasting** Enjoy a Raft Masters' Exclusive private wine tasting with a variety of fruits and cheeses at The Winery at Holy Cross Abbey, Colorado's #1 winery.

#### Professional Digital Photos

Five to ten copyright released high-resolution professional photos taken on one of your biggest rapids. Reserve before your trip and save \$\$.

#### Go-Pro Camera Rentals

Want to keep all the action? Rent a helmet mounted GoPro Camera! Limited availability - call to reserve your camera.

**LIMITED AVAILABILITY - CALL AHEAD FOR PRICING**

Includes the SD card of all your raw footage!



# RESERVATIONS

# FAQs

Reservations can be made at [www.raftmasters.com](http://www.raftmasters.com) or by phone at 1-719-275-6645. Full payment is required at the time of reservation. Walk-ins are welcome on a space available basis. Trip prices do not include guide gratuities or river access fees of 11.5%. Trip prices and fees subject to change. We reserve the right to alter trips based on river conditions. This includes but is not limited to water levels, type of raft, trip selection, and length of trip. Drugs and alcohol are not permitted on or before trips. Raft Masters takes great precautions to ensure your safety. Therefore, intoxicated persons will be refused service without refund.

## We Specialize in Groups and Team-Building

River rafting is a fun group activity. We specialize in small and large groups. Tiered group rates for 10 or more people are available on all trips. For groups of 20 or more, the organizer rafts for free! Call for details.

## Liability

Raft Masters takes great precautions to ensure your safety. However, hazards exist in whitewater rafting. As a participant, you are agreeing to take our trip at your own risk, and every individual must read and sign their own Assumption of Risk / Liability Release Form. Raft Masters is fully licensed and insured.

## Cancellation Policy

Full payment is required at the time of reservation. Cancellations made more than 14 days prior to the trip will be charged a \$15 per person cancellation fee and the remaining balance will be refunded. No refunds will be made for cancellations within 14 days of the trip. Raft Masters reserves the right to alter trips based on river conditions.

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As an outfitter, we get asked a lot of questions like “How deep is the water?”, “How fast is the river?” and so on. These can be answered fairly generically with “it varies” or “it depends”, but here are the answers to some common questions.

## Which Trip Should I Choose?

You should choose a trip based on the level of difficulty, the ages of the participants (particularly children), your physical condition, length of trip, and the type of raft (paddle, paddle-assist, or oar) you prefer.

Multi-day trips are ideal for those wishing to get away from it all. These leisurely paced trips camp along the riverbanks in rustic settings where you fall asleep and wake up to the sounds of the river. All meals are provided and prepared by our guides.

We have tents, sleeping bags, and quality inflatable pads available at no charge, or you can bring your own if you prefer.

## Is rafting safe?

All participants should be aware that whitewater rafting involves inherent risks that cannot be eliminated. Is it dangerous? As a rule, No, but no reputable outfitter should tell you it is absolutely safe.

## When is the best time to go?

There really is no “best time”. We are open from March to October. Water levels fluctuate through the season, with peak water levels usually occurring between late May and early July. The biggest waves and wettest rides correspond with the peak water levels.

Temperatures in May and early June are generally warm, but can be unpredictable. July and August are usually quite warm and dry. Aside from the “high water”, you will encounter mostly fun, moderate-level waters. You can expect low water on very early and late trips. These trips are particularly interesting due to the technical challenge presented more so than the difficulty of the rapids.

July is the busiest month of the season. Weekdays are generally less busy than weekends, but we do not charge an additional fee for weekend trips.

## Is tipping expected?

Tips are accepted and appreciated, but not required. The difference between a good river trip and a great river trip is frequently the guide. If you are inclined to tip, a good reference is how you would tip in a restaurant.

## Do you have gift certificates?

Yes, you can purchase gift certificates all year through our office or online.

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