

Hells Canyon Rafting

3 and 5 Day Whitewater Rafting Adventure

The river trip that absolutely has it all! Everything about a Hells Canyon trip can be summed up in one word, AWESOME! The deepest canyon in North America, and one of the largest wilderness areas in the country. The Snake River offers the best whitewater of any high volume river trip in the Northwest! Rafting Hells Canyon offers the adventurous spirit and a unique combination of activities with great hiking, world class fishing, and jaw dropping panoramas of one of nature's most impressive creations.

Hiking opportunities are everywhere, taking you through dense vegetation to spectacular overlooks and vistas, pictographs left by the Nez Perce Indians are abundant along with the many historical cabins left behind by the early pioneers.

Fishing on the Snake River boasts some of the best Small Mouth Bass and Sturgeon fishing found anywhere. This is truly paradise for the adventurous angler with Sturgeon averaging six to eight feet long, and Small Mouth Bass virtually in every nook and cranny on the river.

Our three and five day Snake River adventure takes you through 35 to 70 miles of the deepest canyon in North America. Enjoy delicious riverside meals cooked from scratch, take on amazing whitewater, see Bighorn Sheep, Bald Eagles, Mountain Goats, and other wildlife on the riverside. Our expertly-trained guides will be your leaders and interpreters for you as you view historical sights, go on hikes to high vistas overlooking the canyon, and land in more fish than you have ever imagined. The Snake River in Hells Canyon is an American Legend you have to experience yourself to truly understand it's greatness!



- * World-class Small Mouth Bass, Sturgeon, and Trout Fishery
- * Great food and deluxe backcountry accommodation
- * Spectacular views and hiking
- * Experience amazing whitewater in the



5 Day 4 night:

\$1695/adult

\$1350/youth(7-14)

3 Day 2 night:

\$1050/adult

\$895/youth(7-14)

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A Typical Hells Canyon River Trip Itinerary

Day 1

You will be picked up by our staff where you stayed the night before the trip and be shuttled to Hells Canyon Creek Recreation Area, at the base of Hells Canyon Dam, a primitive boat ramp in the heart of Hells Canyon. When you arrive you will find the boats and guides ready to go!

You and your group will load up into the rafts with your guides, our center-frame rafts are built to comfortably accommodate 4-5 guests. The guides will start the morning of the first day off by giving a briefing on what to expect on the day ahead. You will give your bags to the gear-boatman and they will be off to set up camp!

Day one is exciting! You will experience large rapids like Wild Sheep and Granite, experience Native American pictographs written on the walls, and have a made-from-scratch lunch on the riverside.

After an exciting day of scenery, whitewater, and warm summer fun, you will arrive at camp which will be already set up for you! Tents set, sleeping pads inflated, appetizers ready at riverside, and dinner being made for you in our unique Dutch ovens.

As you wind down for the evening waiting for supper, you may fish, swim, hike, explore, or sit back and reminisce your first day of adventure, and dream about the next days to come!



Testimonial

"We were very impressed with the overall experience. Your guides were tireless in their desire to please their clients. The food and riverside accommodations were excellent. Very nice operation.

Thanks again,

Greg Bahny"

Day 2/3

Days two and three will be full of hiking, history, fishing, whitewater, and fun! You will continue to venture through Hells Canyon, stopping to cast out a line for Sturgeon, scurrying up the riverbanks for a look at the history of the canyon, stopping at a riverside museum, cooling off in the cool side creeks, or sitting back, relaxing, and soaking in the rays!

If you opted for the three day two night trip, about three quarters through the day you will find yourself at Pittsburgh Landing Boat ramp, where you will say your goodbyes to the guides, hop in a MRO shuttle vehicle waiting for you and be shuttled back to your car!



Day 4/5

If you or your group opted for the five day trip, you will get to enjoy two more exciting days in Hells Canyon! Your campsites will be unique, deep in the canyon surrounded by columnar basalt formations. You will have more opportunities for fishing, hiking, and sightseeing. We will stop at the confluence of the Imnaha River and explore mines left abandoned by pioneers of Hells Canyon, and the confluence of the Salmon "River of No Return", the largest free flowing river in North America.

On your fifth day in Hells Canyon, it will be unfortunately time for you to depart and head back to civilization, but it's not that simple. We offer a unique opportunity to end the trip with a "bang"! After lunch, one of our Jet Boats will meet up with your party, avoiding the long van shuttle around the river, you will hop in the Jet Boat and power your way back upriver 35 miles to Pittsburgh Landing. This unique opportunity allows you to see the canyon one last time before it's time to head home. Our MRO shuttle vehicles will be waiting for you at Pittsburgh Landing once you arrive in the Jet Boat, and you will be taken back to your car in Riggins.



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What's Included:

With MRO you will only need to find yourself in Riggins the night before your launch date at 8:00pm Mountain Time for a pre-trip orientation. At this orientation you will receive your MRO duffel bag (for your clothing), a personal dry bag and large camp dry bag with your sleeping bag and pillow. Feel free to bring your own sleeping bag if you prefer that! All of our sleeping bags are freshly laundered. You will be transported to Hells Canyon Creek Recreation Area and boat launch where your guides will be waiting for you! After 3-5 days of fun, it will be time to say goodbye. On the 5-day trip a Jet Boat will be picking you up and you will spend your last day sightseeing and experiencing the canyon one last time from the Jet Boat on your way back to Pittsburgh Landing where your shuttle back to Riggins will be waiting for you.

Pre-Trip Travel Information

There are many travel options to consider in planning your Idaho rafting vacation. Simply give us a call and we'll discuss your options and help arrange your trip with you! If you plan on fishing, please do not forget your

How to get to Riggins, Idaho

Be sure to arrive in Riggins by 8:00pm Mountain Time the evening prior to the trip departure in order to be at the orientation meeting. Most of our guests find it economical to fly into the Boise airport and rent a car and drive to Riggins, Idaho by using Highway 95 or Highway 55, just 3 hours north of Boise.

Where and When to Meet

An orientation meeting will be held at the Mountain River Outfitters Store at 8:00pm where you will meet MRO's Trip Leader. This orientation meeting is to answer and last-minute questions and where you will also receive your waterproof gear bags.

Where to Stay

We offer two Airbnb rooms behind our Mountain River Outdoor Center coffee shop/store . You can review and book those with these links:

[Room A](#)

[Room B](#)

If those are not something you think will work for your group, you can go to the [Riggins Chamber website](#) and under the "Things To Do" tab, you will see an option that shows "Lodging". On that tab you will be able to see all the hotels our beautiful little town has to offer.

If you are looking at a multi-sport package with Jet Boat fishing or charter, drift boat fishing, or other activities, our staff will be glad to assist you with these additional arrangements.





Camping with MRO—The Difference

- > **Camp Equipment**—Our tents that we use for Rafting Trips are top of the line and roomy! Every evening when you show up to camp you will be greeted with a large tent ready for your gear. We inflate 3”-4” thick sleeping pads to ensure that you are well rested for your days on the water rafting, fishing, and hiking. If you require a large family tent and would prefer not to stay in the 2-person tents let us know prior to the trip so we can accommodate the request.
- > **Great Food**—Careful planning and attention to detail allows us a wide variety of menu selections, all of which are unanimous favorites. You’ll find our camp cuisine contains a healthy balance of fresh meats, fish, and poultry, as well as fresh fruits, veggies, and hors d’oeuvres, capped off with a Dutch-oven dessert. We provide you with a delicious glass of wine with your gourmet dinner. We offer a flexible menu that varies to reflect our guests’ dietary requirements.
- > **Riverside Dining**—Our river kitchen has been custom-designed for preparation of gourmet meals that rival their city counterparts. Dining tables and chairs will be ready to make your meals an unforgettable and comfortable dining experience.
- > **Wilderness Restroom and Shower Facilities**—All rivers offer different challenges, many years of guiding on these rivers has led us to our own system. The MRO custom wilderness restroom and shower system with privacy and a view is a priority for us. Our mission is to provide our guests with the maximum degree of comfort and privacy while still preserving some of the most pristine wilderness in the Lower 48.
- > **Fun & Games**—Don’t forget there is much more to do than just relaxing when you get to camp! Beach games like frisbee, Bocce, washers, cards, horseshoes, and many more will be available at camp. We also provide a library of books on the lore and history of the river.



Testimonial

"Excellent doesn't quite describe it. Let's go for Outstanding! My family truly enjoyed the experience and appreciated the warm hospitality. Your crew...worked hard and had a truly inviting and warm manner throughout. It was admirable for them to put together such a bountiful meal at a day's end.... Looking forward to our next trip with you!"

-Joseph Brodrick"



How to prepare for your adventure:

All guests are provided a small personal dry bag for all day use on the boats along with a large 16" x 34" waterproof camo bag that will be transported by our gear boat and waiting for you when you arrive at camp. Your camp bag will have your sleeping bag and pillow already inside when you receive it. Please try to limit your items for this bag to 30lbs. If you require an additional dry-bag please let us know!

Mountain River Outfitters Provides:

- > Roomy all-weather tents (family tent upon request)
- > 20° sleeping bag with freshly laundered liner
- > Deluxe self inflating 3" sleeping pad on a cot
- > Sleeping Pillow
- > Clean type V life jacket
- > Dining tables and chairs
- > Advanced wilderness first aid kits
- > Plenty of ice for your beverages
- > All rafting equipment, kitchen, and food
- > All fishing equipment except fly fishing gear

What You Should Bring:

T-Shirts—Cotton is great for around camp or on the boat during hot days, but keep in mind that it is September and October we see temperature fluctuations from mid 80's to low 60's. Make sure your "on the river" clothing doesn't hold in moisture, synthetic recommended. Most of our guides wear long-sleeved synthetic clothing on the water.

Shorts—Nylon or similar quick-drying materials are lightweight, comfortable, and pack easily. You will wear shorts and pants the most.

Raingear—Good raingear is strongly recommended. We experienced isolated mountain showers throughout the season, especially in the later parts of summer.

Fleece Jackets & pants—Wool, polar fleece or similar lightweight quick dry material are preferred for the outdoors. Layering is great for all day comfort.

Shoes & Sandals—Stay comfortable! Open-toed sandals are ideal for on the water, flip flop thong are not recommended as they are easy to lose. Having an extra pair of shoes that stay in your overnight bag are great for comfortable and dry feet in the evening!

Sun Screen—You will be out most of the day!

Don't let a trip get ruined by a sunburn.

Sunglasses—Expensive sunglasses are great but have a tendency to go in the bottom of the river, get something to secure them if you plan on bringing them! We offer cheaper alternatives in our store where you will be meeting your guides.

Extra Socks— A happy trip starts with happy feet!

Towel—If you plan on showering and washing up around camp, a towel in your overnight bag never hurts.

Flashlight—Or headlamp for nights and early mornings at camp.

Water Bottle—Refillable water bottles like Nalgene are recommended to bring. We will provide you with a river mug/cup for cocktails and coffee at camp!

Toiletry Items—Feel free to bring your favorite products and soap you use at home. Our guides will instruct you on where to use them so not to pollute the pristine waters we recreate on. We will have biodegradable hand soap available and a hand-washing system for

Camera—Who's going to believe you caught a monster without photo evidence! A phone camera works nicely packed in your dry-bag you will receive at orientation.

Hat—Any hat works fine but a wide-brimmed hat will keep the sun away from your head!

Fishing Gear & Tackle—Fishing equipment (except fly) is provided. Our guides will supply you with bass, sturgeon, steelhead, and salmon gear. If you have a favorite rod or lure, please, bring it along!

Gratuities—MRO prides itself on our outstanding crews and staff. If you feel the service they provide to you has been outstanding, you may want to leave a tip. The customary gratuity is 15-20% of the trip price and can be left in cash with your guide, you can Venmo your tip directly to your guide, or you can pay with a credit card at the Mountain River Outdoor Center with our baristas. The credit card option includes a 3% fee.



Cancellation Policy

Cancellation Policy—Mountain River Outfitters, LLC is under federal management plans that limit trip size in Hells Canyon and the Salmon River. Due to the limited number of seats available and logistical planning involved, we adhere strictly to the following reservation and cancellation policies.

Reservations—To reserve your spot, a 50% deposit is required. All deposits are NON-refundable.

Final Payment—Your final payment is due 60 days prior to trip launch for all overnight trips.

Cancellations and Refunds—Deposits and final payments are non-refundable. However, Mountain River Outfitters, LLC does provide for the transfer of payments to an alternate guests, provided we receive a notice within 21 days before the trip date.

Trip Insurance—We strongly recommend Tour Protection Insurance that includes “Trip Cancellation and Interruption Insurance, and Accident and Health Insurance”. A policy will protect guests financially if your trip is cancelled, interrupted, or delayed due to sickness, injury or health, financial default of airlines, weather conditions, or acts of terrorism. (Restrictions Apply)

