

DAILY RAFT TRIPS

The Colorado River "Daily" is a fun whitewater trip located northeast of Moab on Utah Highway 128 in the Fisher Towers section of the Colorado River. The Daily is Utah's most popular river trip and is ideal for a short adventure, a group outing, an overnight camping trip or a first-time river trip.

All trips meet at our office at 378 N. Main Street at your scheduled departure time. If you have scheduled a pick up from your hotel or campground, our van will pick you up at the designated time as well as return you at the conclusion of the trip. At our office you will meet your guide and receive a lifejacket and a small box to hold your camera and other small items such as sunscreen, along with instructions regarding your trip. You will then board the bus for the shuttle to the put-in.

The drive time is approximately 40 minutes for the full day and AM half day and 30 minutes for the PM half day; your return drive time is generally 20 minutes. The full day trip runs 14 miles down the river; the AM and PM half days run 7 miles each. At the raft put-in you will be given a safety talk by your guide and will begin your trip down the beautiful Colorado River.

Water levels and rapid sizes vary during the season. Rapids are generally larger in May and June and decrease in size as Mother Nature recedes her waters until the end of our rafting season in October. Six named rapids are located between Hittle Bottom and Sandy Beach. These rapids range in difficulty from class I to class III. The Daily may be challenging in high water.

You will be able to view the striking red rock formations along the river that include the Fisher Towers, Castle Rock and the Priest and Nuns. This area has also been the setting for many western- style movies, along with several television commercials. The first movie filmed in this area was *Wagon master* in 1949, Directed by John Ford. Many other famous movies followed that include *Rio Grande*, *Tara-Son of Cochise*, *Warlock*, *Ten Who Dared* and *The Comancheros*. Most recently filmed were *Thelma and Louise* and *Geronimo*. Ask your guide more about the details of movies filmed in the area and about the various rock layers that make up the canyon walls.

All trips include beverages of water and lemonade. The full day and PM half day include lunch on the beach, which generally takes about 45 minutes. Lunch usually consists of a variety of cold cuts and cheeses for sandwiches, salads and fruit. The sunset trip includes snacks. We highly suggest that you wear shoes that will stay on your feet, such as tennis shoes or Teva sandals. If you do not have shoes that you are comfortable wearing on the river, we do have some shoes that you can borrow for the day. Be sure to wear clothes that you are comfortable getting wet in, as the Daily is a fun and splashy ride.

SMILE!!! Action Shots in Moab takes daily photographs of the trips as you pass by. These pictures can be viewed in their shop across the street from our office on Main Street and are usually available at the end of the day.