



Merced River One Day Trip Details

PRE-TRIP CHECK LIST:

- Double check the meeting place, time and directions. Allow enough time to arrive 15 minutes early to use the bathroom, apply sunscreen and take any pre-trip photos.
- Electronically sign your waiver and complete your registration by clicking the link in your email.
- Be sure you have everything you need on the "what to bring list" located on page 2. You can keep anything you would not want to lose in the river (wallet, phone, jewelry, other electronics) locked safely in your car in our parking lot. We will keep your keys in a locked location while you are rafting.

MEETING TIME AND LOCATION:

8:30AM

Midpines, CA just past the Mountain View Grocery Store on the LEFT side of Hwy 140
Look for WWE Vans

PLAN TO ARRIVE ON TIME

Guests who arrive late are at risk of missing their trip. No shows as well as late arrivals are subject to no credit and no refund.

TRIP BASICS:



Rafting the Merced River does require that you are in good physical condition, have good swimming ability and are on the adventurous side.

What to Wear/Bring:

- Bathing suit/trunks, light weight, quick drying top (rash guard works well), light weight windbreaker for cooler mornings.
- River sandals (strap on the back) or old tennis shoes work great (**NO flip flops, crocs or bare feet please!**)
- Hat (optional under helmet)
- Sunglasses (recommend retaining device so they don't end up in the river)
- Sunscreen and lip protection
- Water bottle to have in the raft (drinks provided at lunch and the end of the trip)
- Inexpensive waterproof camera (professional pictures are taken at one of the rapids)
- Dry clothes for trip home (to be left in your car)
- Tip for your guide – while not mandatory, if you feel your guide did a great job in giving your group a safe, exciting time, a tip is always appreciated.

Please do not bring a backpack with you on the river

Whitewater Excitement Will Provide:

- ✓ Transportation to and from the meeting location.
- ✓ Top notch certified (CPR, first aid, swift water rescue) guides, PFD (personal flotation device), paddles, helmets and rafts.
- ✓ Delicious Deli Buffet lunch plus cold drink and snack at the end of the trip.
- ✓ Wetsuits and paddle jackets are included free of charge for spring trips (prior to Memorial Day weekend).

Merced River Trips 4-6 paddlers per raft

Spring/Fall Trips

Wetsuits and Splash Jackets are provided at no additional cost for the springtime (prior to Memorial Day weekend) or cold weather trips. Our wetsuits fit those up to 6'4" and/or 300 pounds.

Wearing cotton is NOT recommended.

Fleece or wool are your best options for cool or wet weather.

Summer Trips

In the summertime the biggest concerns are sun protection and hydration. Be sure to bring a water bottle to have in the raft and make sure to apply sunscreen prior to your trip.

We will provide a cold drink and snack at the end of every trip.

We Need to Know

If you have any medical conditions or allergies (i.e. EpiPen, Inhaler, Medication) be sure to let us know on your online Registration Form and/or let your trip leader know when you check-in for your trip.

Additional Trip Planning Information...

Cancellation Policy

- ❖ We strictly adhere to our cancellation policy listed on your group organizer's invoice which states you will receive 100% credit (to put towards a future trip) as long as we have 3 days notice prior to your scheduled trip. No refunds for any cancellation.
- ❖ The 100% credit applies if Whitewater Excitement is unable to run your trip for any reason. Reasons may include weather, water flows, wildfire and/or smoke, or any other unforeseen circumstance.
- ❖ Please understand when we make a reservation for you for a specific date and trip, we are holding spaces for you and turning others away because of space limitations imposed on us by various governmental agencies. Those spaces are difficult to fill at the last minute.
- ❖ We reserve the right to cancel or modify a trip due to weather, water conditions, insufficient reservations or other circumstances beyond our control. In such cases we are only responsible for the trip fees paid to us. Guides and other on-river staff employed by Whitewater Excitement are not authorized to make or promise trip refunds or credits. Such determinations can only be made by the WWE Office Staff.
- ❖ Trip Travel Insurance is strongly suggested and will cover such cancellations. Trips depart rain or shine.

Participant Responsibilities

All river trips involve some risk, and we recognize that accidents and injuries can occur. We assume no responsibility for injury, damage, or loss of your belongings. All participants are required to sign an Assumption of Risk/Liability Release Form online prior to their trip. Any minor, not being accompanied by their parent, must have this form signed online by their parent prior to their trip.

Safety First

The river is not a place for drugs or alcohol. Drugs and/or alcohol are not allowed before or during your rafting trip. We reserve the right to refuse service to anyone under the influence of such substances and to anyone we feel will jeopardize his or her personal safety or the safety of others on the trip. There are no refunds or credits given for this reason.



Professional Photographs

There are professional photo companies taking photos of each raft at one of the bigger rapids on the Merced. These companies are not affiliated with Whitewater Excitement; you will need to contact them yourself to purchase your photos. Rapid Shooter Photography is one of the companies that can be reached at www.rapidshooter.net or 530-558-0900.