

Welcome!

The Rogue River is born on the slopes of the Klamath Mountains surrounding Crater Lake. It flows west past the towns of Medford and Grants Pass before carving a wild and remote canyon through the coastal range of the Siskiyou Mountains. It is here, in the beautiful, heavily forested, "Wild Rogue" canyon, that our trips take place.

The canyon slopes are blanketed with stands of douglas fir, ponderosa pine, madrone, and numerous varieties of oak. Ferns, wildflowers, and blackberries flourish up the numerous side streams. Abundant wildlife inhabits the canyon and we commonly see deer, otter, osprey, bald eagles, and an occasional black bear.

The river itself follows a diverse course, alternately crashing over abrupt ledges, flattening into shallow expanses, and squeezing between house-sized boulders or through narrow gorges. There are rapids every day with highlights at Mule Creek Canyon and Blossom Bar on day 3 or 4.

There are also numerous sites of historical interest along the way. While the original inhabitants, the Siletz Indians, left little behind, a decaying legacy of the miners, homesteaders, and hermits who followed still remains. Old miner's shacks, historical ranches and even Zane Grey's fishing cabin provide a glimpse into the region's past.

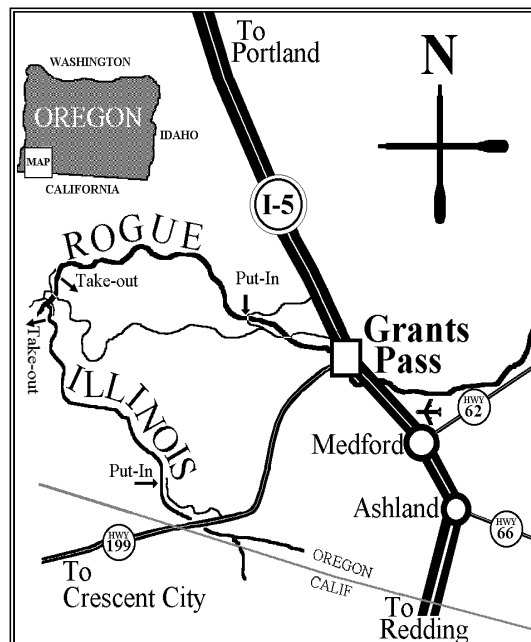
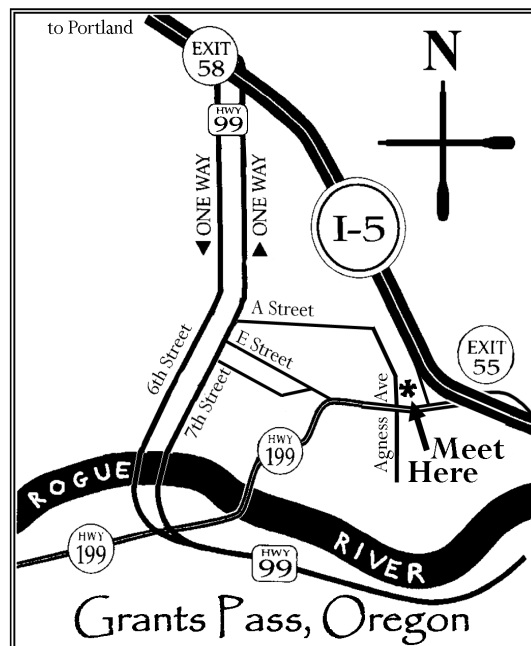
In 1968, the Rogue was one of the first rivers to be declared a National Wild and Scenic River, protecting its wild beauty for future generations, such as ours, to enjoy.

Meeting Time and Place/Logistics:

All trip members will meet at 8:00 pm **the evening before the trip begins** on the terrace between the Holiday Inn Express and the Best Western Inn in Grants Pass, Oregon (105 N.E. Agness Ave). At the pre-trip meeting your trip leader will distribute dunnage bags, go over final trip logistics and answer any last minute questions. The following morning we will reconvene at the Galice Resort (30 minutes away and right on the Rogue River) where our vehicles can be left for the duration of the trip; the Lead Guide will have directions and times. The trip will conclude at the Galice Resort around 5:00 on the last day. If you are planning to tour the Oregon coastline after the trip, consider having your vehicle shuttled to our take-out point which is 35 miles from the Pacific Ocean at Gold Beach. The cost is about \$95 per vehicle and arrangements can be made at the Galice Resort the morning your trip launches.

Accommodations:

Overnight accommodations for both before and after the trip are good at either the Holiday Inn Express (800/838-7666 or 541/471-6144) or the Best Western Inn Grants Pass (800-553-7666 or 541/476-1117). Reservations should be made well in advance. There are other motels nearby, including the La Quinta (800/531-5900) and the Redwood Motel (888/535-8824). Galice Resort also offers unique overnight accommodations (541/476-3818 or www.galice.com).



Transportation/Directions:

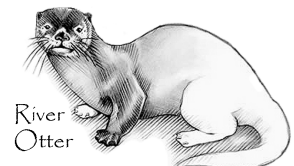
We will meet you in Grants Pass, Oregon.

Driving: Grants Pass is located on Interstate 5 about 55 miles north of the Oregon-California border; 6-7 hours from San Francisco, and 12-14 hours from Los Angeles. To get to the motels, take the South Grants Pass exit, (# 55), and head west towards town on Grants Pass Parkway. Take the first right onto Agness Ave. and the motels will be on your right.

Flying: Horizon, Skywest and US Air serve Medford, Oregon, about 30 miles southeast of Grants Pass. For transportation from the Medford airport to Grants Pass, contact Galice Resort, 541/476-3818 or High Country Shuttles at 888-203-8502. Due to potential delays, we do not recommend flying out of Medford the evening that the trip ends.

Local Attractions:

The Oregon Shakespeare Festival (541/482-4331) in nearby Ashland is renowned for its Elizabethan Stagehouse and plays. Also in the area is scenic Crater Lake National Park. For those trip members who are driving, we will be getting off the river about 45 miles inland from the Pacific Ocean at Gold Beach. The southern Oregon coastline is spectacular and worth a visit after your trip, (see **Meeting Time and Place/Logistics** for details).



River Otter

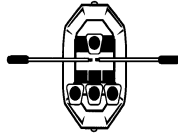
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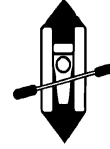
Types of boats: On the Rogue River we offer three types of boats in which to ride:



Paddle rafts are 14 feet long and carry 6 paddlers who actively paddle through the rapids and down the river. Everyone has a paddle, sits on the outer tube of the raft and follows the commands of the paddle guide who sits in the rear.



Oar rafts are 18 feet long, carry all of the overnight gear and up to 5 guests. They are rowed by a guide using oars attached to a metal frame. Guests ride in the front, hang on through the rapids and relax in the calm stretches.



Inflatable kayaks are 10 - 12 feet long and are paddled by 1 or 2 people using double-bladed paddles. They are fairly stable, require no previous experience and allow you to feel the thrill of independently paddling the river.

Please note that we cannot guarantee space in paddle rafts or inflatable kayaks. If there are more people who wish to ride in these boats than there are spaces, we will rotate so that everyone gets a chance to participate. A full Rogue trip of 20 guests usually has 1 or 2 paddle rafts and 3 or 4 inflatable kayaks.

Weather:

Southwestern Oregon's summer weather is usually excellent with highs ranging from the 80's to the 90's and dropping into the 60's at night. Although Oregon is well known for its rain, very little falls on the Rogue during the summer months. However, overcast and cool days do occur and you should be prepared with fleece tops and good rainshells. The water temperature warms up to about 70 degrees during the summer, ideal for swimming.

Meals:

ARTA meals are well-balanced and consist of quality foods with fresh meats, fruits, and vegetables. The guides double as camp chefs and the menu includes a wide variety of dishes. The lodge meals are served family-style and include homegrown fruits, meats, and vegetables. If you have a special dietary request, please let us know in advance so we can accommodate you.

Drinks:

ARTA serves fruit drinks and juices at mealtime. If you would like soda, beer, wine, or liquor with your dinner, please bring your own in unbreak-able containers, (beer and soda in cans, wine and liquor in plastic bottles). Due to weight and space restrictions, we ask that you limit the amount of canned drinks to a moderate amount.

Wildlife:

The Rogue is famous for its abundant wildlife and we often witness spectacular events: osprey diving for fish, otter playing on the bank, salmon jumping, or bear fishing along the shore. Of all our trips, the Rogue is the best for seeing wildlife. Observing these animals is one of the special attractions of our trips - don't forget your camera!

Suggested Reading and River Guide:

Western writer Zane Grey spent time fishing along and writing about the Rogue and his stories make for fun reading during the trip. Additional books about the Rogue River may be ordered online through amazon.com. The Rogue River Float Guide, a mile-by-mile guide to the river, is available from the BLM Medford office, (541/618-2270 or www.blm.gov) as well as from the Galice Resort.

Fishing:

Although the Rogue is famous for its salmon and steelhead runs, fishing usually isn't very good until the fall. There are always a few fish in the river though, so fishing can be productive. A valid Oregon State Fishing License is required and can be purchased in Grants Pass prior to the trip.

We will provide:

- Transportation from Galice to the river.
- Transportation from the river back to Galice.
- Friendly, entertaining and professional guide service.
- All meals from lunch on the first day to lunch on the last day.
- Waterproof bags, lifejackets and other specialized river touring equipment for the trip.

You are responsible for:

- Meals and lodging before and after your trip
- Personal clothing and toiletries (see Equipment List)
- Sleeping bags and tents (these items can be rented from ARTA - see Equipment List)
- Soda, wine, alcoholic beverages (see **Drinks**)
- Guides gratuities (see below)

Tipping

We want you to feel like a guest in our home. Tips are never expected, but are always appreciated when given in recognition of outstanding service. Our guides have gotten tips ranging from gifts of prized river gear to invitations to visit to 5% to 15% of the trip cost, all of which were greatly appreciated (and always put to good use).

