

THANKSGIVING BREAK COLORADO RIVER CANOEING IN BLACK CANYON 5-DAY TRIP ITINERARY



Canoeing on the Colorado River through Black Canyon below Hoover Dam is a wonderful experience. The desert environment is broken by the cool waters of the river and the hot springs found at our camp is a welcomed treat after a day of paddling. We are very thankful for a fun long fall weekend!

In order for your experience to be a pleasurable one, we ask that you thoroughly read the information in the handouts provided, including the **Itinerary, the General Trip Expectations** and follow the recommendations on the **Packing list**. You must supply your own lunches, money for road meals, and personal equipment. (Camping gear rentals are available <u>http://recreation.sa.ucsb.edu/adventure-programs/outdoor-gear-rentals</u>) This trip requires that you be in good physical condition. Aside from carrying your own personal equipment, each canoe will be responsible for carrying some group food and group equipment.

Please feel free to contact the Adventure Center at (805) 893-3737 during business hours if you need any additional information and/or our leaders have not contacted you seven days before departure date.

Minimum Experience Level: Hearty beginner &/or experienced paddler; Ability to swim

Sample Itinerary: (Subject to change due to weather, conditions, and other unintended changes):

Wednesday - Drive from UCSB to Willow Beach Marina Campground.

<u>Thursday</u> - Load canoes and have a canoe lesson. <u>Paddle 8 miles upstream</u> to our camping area with a lunch stop along the way.

Friday - Explore farther up river, hike or just relax around camp. Same campsite as Thursday night.

Saturday - Explore the river, hike or just relax around camp. Same campsite as Thursday night

Sunday - Early breakfast, load the canoes and paddle back to Willow Beach. Pack up the van and trailer and drive back to UCSB.

Departure Location: Near the main entrance of the Recreation Center.

Departure Time: Meet at 8:00 A.M. so we can load your personal equipment and leave at 9:00 A.M. As a courtesy to the group, please be prompt. If you are not there on time we will leave without you. No refunds for no-shows.

Approximate Drive Time: 10-12 hours depending on length of stops.

Approximate Return Time: 11 P.M. on Day 5 if the group leaves the river by 12:00 P.M.

No Drugs or Alcohol: University regulations and program policies do not allow alcohol or drugs on this trip. Thank you for your cooperation.

Refund Policy: Once an offering is <u>full</u>, you will be offered a refund (less **\$20 service** charge) **only** if someone **pays** for your spot. If the offering is **NOT** full:

• 30 or more days before the course date- Full refund less \$20 processing fee.

• 29 to 8 days before the course date- 50% refund less \$20 processing fee.

• Less than 8 days before the course date- no refunds available.