

Southwest Sampler » Utah

RAFTING, HUMMER, ARCHES AND MORE – 4 DAYS

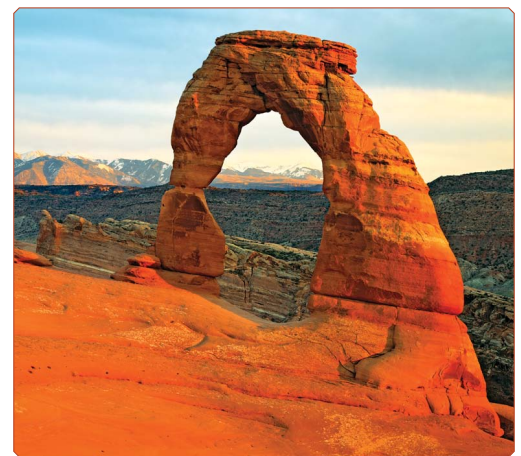
Surrounded by an immense red rock playground, Moab, Utah is the perfect setting for a kid-friendly family outing—and Western’s Southwest Sampler provides just the right amount of adventure for the whole gang. You’ll get a taste of the “best of the Southwest” on this 4-day, 3-night getaway. First, you’ll spend 2 relaxing nights in luxurious comfort at the Gonzo Inn – the perfect location adjacent to shopping, restaurants, a city walking path, and only one block from the Moab Adventure Center. You’ll explore the wonders of Arches National Park and experience one of Moab, Utah’s most renowned adventures – an off-road Hummer Safari. Top it all off with 2 days of Colorado River rafting plus one night of all-inclusive beach camping and star gazing and you’ll return with endless stories and unforgettable memories. ✨

Itinerary & Travel Information

DAY ONE » Arrive in Moab, Utah on Tuesday and check into the Gonzo Inn anytime after 3:00 PM. Take some time to explore this unique Southwestern town and its breathtaking surroundings. Top off your day with a relaxing night at the Gonzo Inn.

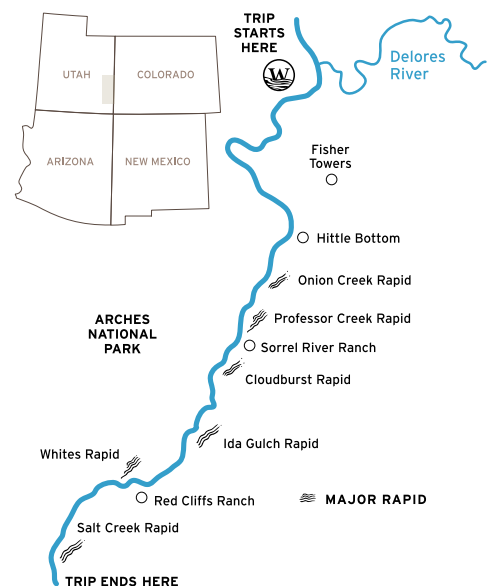
DAY TWO » Enjoy continental breakfast at the Gonzo Inn, then meet at Western River’s Moab Adventure Center (7:15 AM) for an exploration of Arches National Park with Western’s knowledgeable guides. You won’t believe your eyes as you tour this one-of-a-kind place where over 2,000 natural sandstone arches and towering red rock formations blanket the landscape. After hiking and touring Arches, you’ll eat lunch at one of Moab’s most popular local bistros. At sunset, you’ll experience the exhilaration of an incredible off-road excursion aboard the worlds’ most serious 4x4. Be sure to take pictures because no one back home will believe where you’ve been!

DAY THREE & FOUR » Check out of the Gonzo Inn and experience a 2-day Colorado River rafting adventure (meeting at 9:45 AM). On the first day of your trip, you’ll completely unwind as you drift between crimson cliffs on serene waters. Savor a barbecue dinner as you watch the sunset bathe the red rock landscape in a dazzling array of light and color. Then fall asleep to the sounds of the river under a blanket of innumerable stars. The next morning, you’ll awake to the smells of coffee brewing and bacon sizzling. After breakfast, we break camp and head downriver. Moderate whitewater, wondrous sites and a delicious lunch round out the perfect 2-day rafting adventure. You’ll arrive back to Moab around 2:00 PM.



DEPARTS FROM MOAB, UTAH

A UNIQUE TOWN SURROUNDED BY NATIONAL PARKS, MOAB OFFERS GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR ADDITIONAL ADVENTURE, SHOPPING, DINING AND RELAXING.



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QUICK FACTS

Southwest Sampler:

4 days, 3 nights
Minimum age: 5 years old

Begins and Ends:

Moab, Utah

Travel Time from Nearest Major City:

Salt Lake City, UT (4 hr drive)
Denver, CO (6 hr drive/1 hr flight)
Las Vegas, NV (8 hr drive)

RATES & DATES

For current rates & dates please visit our website at: www.westernriver.com

Pre-Trip Travel Information

Centered around the quaint town of Moab, Utah this trip offers plenty of opportunity for additional adventure, shopping, dining and relaxing. At any time before departure, Western can add to your itinerary additional activities, lodging, airport shuttle, and Jeep rental. Simply give us a call and we'll arrange everything for you.

WHERE AND WHEN TO MEET

Check into the Gonzo Inn anytime after 3:00 PM on the first day of your trip. The Gonzo Inn is located just off Main Street in Moab, Utah at 100 West 200 South. (You'll have dinner on your own the first 2 nights, so there is no problem if you're arriving late.) For your Arches Tour, meet at 7:15 AM the next morning at Western River Expeditions' Moab Adventure Center, located within easy walking distance of the Gonzo Inn. Wear sturdy shoes for hiking and walking, comfortable shorts, shirt, hat and sunscreen. Also, be sure to bring water to carry on the hike, wear plenty of sunscreen, and don't forget your camera.

HOW TO GET TO MOAB

If you're flying, the following options are generally the most common:

- » Fly directly to Moab, Utah (CNY) and get a shuttle into town or rent a Jeep
- » Fly to Grand Junction, Colorado (GJT) and rent a car (1.5 hour drive)
- » Fly to Salt Lake City, Utah (SLC) and rent a car (4 hour drive)

Post-Trip Travel

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For optional 2-hour to full-day excursions in Moab, Utah before or after your trip plus helpful Moab area information, visit www.moabadventurecenter.com.

RATE INCLUDES



LODGING » 2 nights at the Gonzo Inn in Moab, Utah



CAMPING » 1 night all-inclusive camping on the Colorado River



MEALS » All meals except dinner the first two nights



ARCHES TOUR » Guided tour with easy to moderate hiking



HUMMER SAFARI » Thrilling off-road adventure into Moab's backcountry



RAFTING » Class II rapids and scenic float on Colorado River (2 days)



TRANSFERS » To and from all activities and Moab Adventure Center

Western River Rafting Trips vs. Other Vacations

This Southwest Sampler trip will give a great "sample" of an overnight rafting trip. You'll find that the setting and pace of a Western River rafting trip gives you something you don't find in other vacations. On a rafting trip, you'll find the absolute escape from the hectic world around us - completely free of distractions. You'll eliminate the often stressful decisions about where to go and what to do each day of your vacation. On a rafting trip, you'll experience the pinnacle of relaxation as you drift over tranquil pools of water under the shadows of towering rock formations, the exhilaration and thrill of rolling waves and splashing whitewater, the exploration of seldom-seen natural wonders and Native American history, the peaceful moments of reflection as you gaze up at the star-studded sky, and the fresh feeling of renewal as the morning sun slowly filters through winding canyons. All this provides an indescribable sense of belonging. A sense of oneness with yourself and those around you. A sense of adventure, reflection and renewal. A time to hear your own heart beat. On a Western River Expedition you will quickly discover why so many are calling this "the best vacation of their lives."

A Typical Day on the River

After meeting your guides you will be given a trip orientation that will include how and where you can sit on the rafts, how to hold on, and safety precautions while on the river.

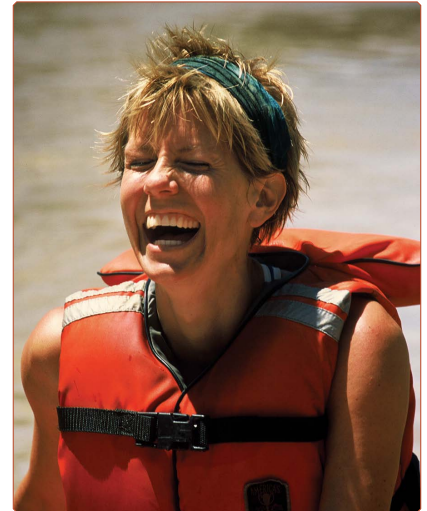
A typical day will include rafting for a few hours at a time, stopping for scenic side-canyon interest points, lunch and plenty of swimming opportunities. Visiting with new-found friends and learning river lore and geology from our well-trained guides adds to the enjoyment of each day.

After a full day of learning and fun we arrive in camp. Guests will find their favorite campsite and then return to the rafts for the famous "fire line" - the way we load and unload rafts. Your help in passing the gear off the boat is greatly appreciated; however, if you have physical restrictions or limitations that would prohibit you from participating you are not required to help.

In camp, the guides will give a demonstration on how to easily assemble the cots and tents and will be available to help you if you need additional assistance. Western River provides cots, tents, sleeping bags, sheets, camp chair and water-proof gear bags for all guests. You'll have no need to worry about bringing any of your own camping equipment.

While you relax at the river's edge, your guides will prepare a delectable barbeque chicken or pasta dinner complete with salad, sides and dessert. At night, whether you choose to sleep in your tent or under the vast canopy of stars, the fresh night air and the rhythm of the river will lull you to sleep.

In the morning, your guides will prepare a delicious breakfast. You'll have a chance to enjoy eating before returning to your campsite to take down your tent and cot and pack up your belongings in your dry bag. After bringing your bag down to the boats, guests participate in the fire line once again and you are off on another fun-filled day of adventure.



"As a local I am often asked why I don't go on vacation in California or Nevada. One look at pictures from some of our river trips (this is my third trip with Western River) and what does Disneyland or Las Vegas have to compare. Disneyland has no ride to match thrills you get when you hit white water. As for the glitter of Las Vegas, the Milky Way far out shines anything Las Vegas has to offer. The food is great and you just can't beat the ambiance. Dinner served at sunset with the red rock in the back ground is quite breathtaking. Will I do another river trip? The answer is yes I will!"

MARY SPEIRS, Salt Lake City, UT



Camping With Western River Expeditions

Whether you're a veteran camper or experiencing sleeping in the outdoors for the first time, Western makes camping simple. All you need to worry about is packing your personal items in a soft-sided duffel bag. We'll supply the rest:

- » **Comfortable cots** make sleeping and relaxing on the river easy.
- » **Roomy tents** are always available and easy to set up. You may be like many of our river guests who prefer to sleep under the vast canopy of stars. If you haven't ever experienced camping in the desert you'll be surprised at how dry and comfortable everything stays when sleeping under the stars.
- » Freshly laundered **sleeping bags** and sheets provide warmth on cool evenings.
- » **Water-resistant bags** protect your personal belongings from exposure to sand and water.
- » A **personal day-use bag** keeps important items handy during the day.
- » **Camp chairs** offer comfortable seating while in camp.
- » A sturdy vinyl **ground cloth** keeps your gear and camping areas clean. (not shown above)

TOILET FACILITIES

Western uses a portable toilet and hand wash system that is set up each day in camp in a secluded location that assures privacy. The toilet is available from the time we pull into camp until we leave the following day. An orientation concerning everything from rapid safety to bathrooms will be given at the beginning of your trip.

Gonzo Inn

For the first 2 nights of your trip, you'll stay at the Gonzo Inn, one of Moab's finest properties. All rooms are uniquely decorated with superior furnishings, vibrant colors and hand-selected materials. If you're traveling with kids, the Gonzo Inn family suite offers separate king room, queen sofa pullout, wet bar, kitchenette (microwave and refrigerator) and a patio or balcony. For smaller parties, King rooms offer a comfortable king bed and a patio or balcony. The Gonzo Inn is just off Main Street in the ideal location. Downtown shops are only steps away, Moab Adventure Center is across the street, and a wonderful city walking path runs adjacent to the property.



"I still haven't come down from this trip! It was amazing, beautiful, adventurous, fun, exciting & spiritual all at the same time. Having never camped a day in my adult life, I did things I never thought possible. From setting up tents to sleeping under the stars to washing in the river - it was incredible. I am so thankful we had the chance to experience the river."

FLORENCE PURCELL, *New York*



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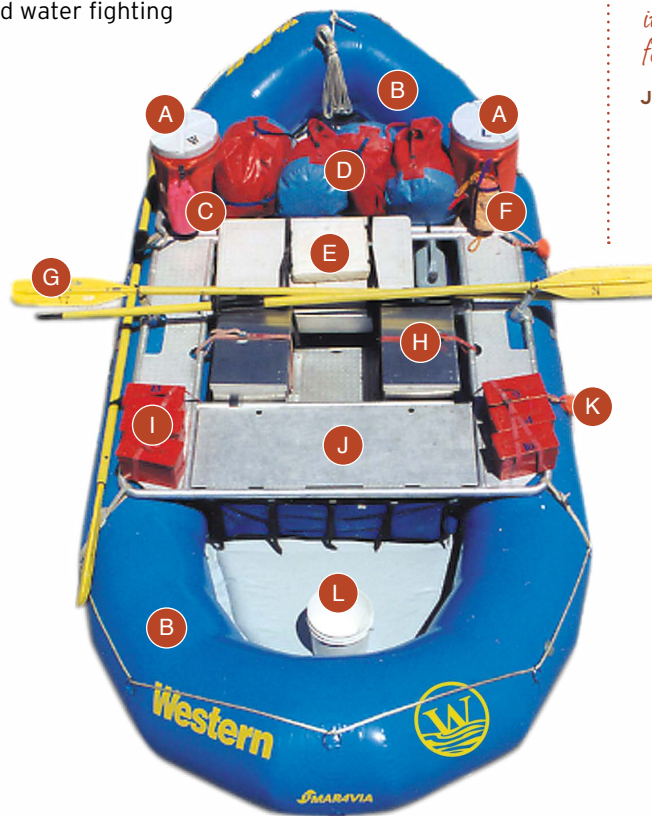
Rafts on the Colorado River

The Southwest Sampler trip offers a taste of several of Western's boat options. You'll be able to experience the camaraderie of a paddleboat, paddle your own 2-person inflatable kayak, or ride aboard a comfortable oar rig piloted by Western's skilled guides.

Western's Oar Rig

Western's guides adeptly maneuver four to six passenger oar rigs. These specially designed, 18-foot boats offer a comfortable ride and are "self-bailing" which means that any water that comes into the raft immediately flows back out.

- A Ice water and cold lemonade
- B Guest seating
- C First aid kit
- D Guest gear bags
- E Guide seat atop coolers
- F Throw bag
- G Oars
- H Dry food storage box
- I Personal storage boxes or bags
- J Storage for tents, cots, kitchen stoves, tables
- K "Flip Lines" designed to flip a boat over in the rare event of an overturn
- L Bucket for boat rinsing... and water fighting



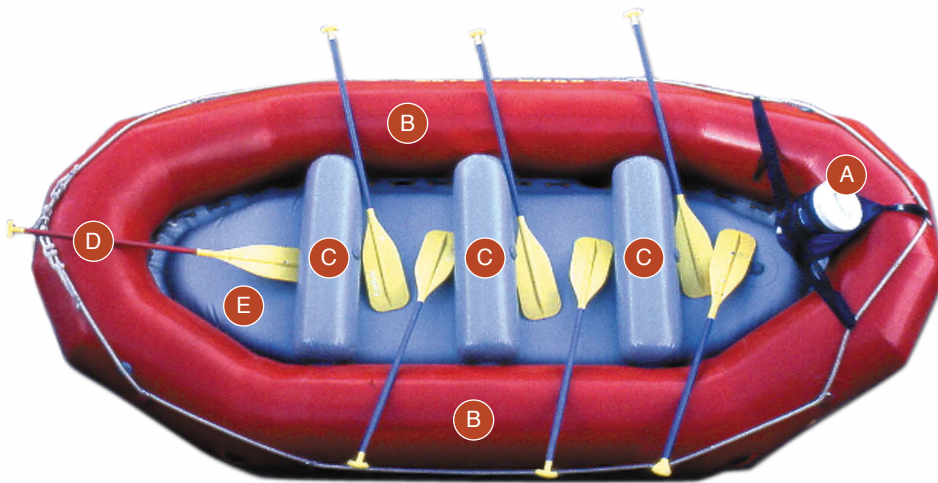
"This was an incredible trip for our family. We have not stopped talking about how much fun we had and how great the people were that we met. As great as everything was, truly the guides were the key to making this trip so fantastic. They were all absolutely amazing; they were not only expert rafters, but great cooks, funny, outgoing, and kind. We all miss them. We have so many wonderful memories. This trip was a true gift. We will treasure it for the rest of our lives. Thank you for a family vacation of a lifetime."

JEAN, Connecticut

Western's Paddle Raft

In conjunction with our Oar rigs, Western also offers paddleboats which provide "hands-on" excitement in conquering the waves with a spirited team of 6 to 8 rafters. Paddlers need not have any prior experience as Western's guides will provide ample instruction and ensure everyone's success.

- A Ice cold water
- B Guest seating
- C Seating for smaller children or guests not wanting to paddle
- D Guide seat
- E Self-bailing floor instantly flushes out any water that comes into the boat



"This was a great trip. I did a trip last year with another company and only wish I could have found Western a year ago. You are truly a class act. The equipment was fantastic (cots, folding chairs and new clip tents), food was great, and the guides for sure made the trip. I would not hesitate to recommend Western to anyone and everyone."

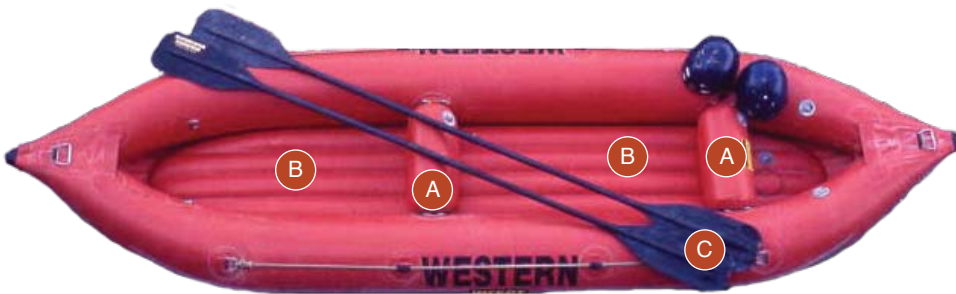
JACK, Woodland Hills, CA



Western's Inflatable Kayak

Also known as a "duckie" or "duck," these two-person inflatable kayaks let you challenge the rapids on your own. They also provide a peaceful and relaxing way to recline and gaze up at the spectacular scenery in the calm stretches of river. If you've never paddled before, acquiring some basic paddle skills with the help of a guide takes only a few minutes. Inflatable kayakers are available throughout the trip and guests can take turns enjoying the ride.

- A** Comfortable backrests provide support while paddling
- B** Self-bailing floor instantly flushes out any water that comes into the boat
- C** Kayak paddles make maneuvering the boat easy



"Another delightful trip with Western River... but our first kayaking white water and we are hooked! Western is such a class act... the guides go out of their way to make the trip a great experience whether 7 or 70. Though a senior, petite female, they made sure my trip was all it could be."

PALM SPRINGS, California

General Information

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR RAFTING TRIPS

Our primary concern is participant safety. The nature of an outdoor adventure involves some physical exertion and also possible exposure to weather conditions that can fluctuate greatly due to heat, sun, wind, or rain. Although we do have experience accommodating persons with a wide range of physical challenges, disabilities, or medical and health conditions, we have found that in some people the fact of age, weight, lack of conditioning, heart or other disease, can create additional hardship that diminishes the suitability or enjoyment of this type of vacation. Please consider these conditions in making your choice of river adventures. Please check with your physician prior to your trip if you have any medical or health condition or if you are taking any medications, and then notify us of how we can better help you with these conditions. In general, participants will need to meet the following physical requirements:

- » Fit into a Type 5 Life Jacket (maximum chest size 52" required by the National Park Service)
- » Ability to securely grip handholds while running the rapids
- » Enough agility to climb on and off the rafts
- » Ability to navigate uneven terrain on hikes and in camp
- » Carry your own dry bag which will include your 20-pound duffel bag along with the sleeping bag and ground cover we provide

Our principle objective is for you and your fellow guests to have an enjoyable and fulfilling experience. If you are concerned about any of these requirements, please call our friendly staff to further discuss which trip is right for you. Our Acknowledgement of Risk Form will more fully describe some of the inherent risks involved in these activities. We look forward to having you join us on the adventure of a lifetime.

PAYMENT & CANCELLATION POLICIES

Payment in full is due 90 days prior to trip departure and may be paid by check or credit card. With your prior approval, we can automatically charge the balance due to your credit card 90 days prior to departure. We reserve the right to cancel your reservation if full payment is not collected by the due date.

If you must cancel any reservation, the information regarding the cancellation must be received in writing. The cancellation fee will follow the formula in the box below. Our cancellation policy applies in every instance and there will be no exceptions for any reason. Western River Expeditions will not issue any refund for arriving late or leaving a trip early. Western is not responsible for any expenses incurred due to travel delays, flight cancellations, or illness. **If you are concerned about the possibility of having to cancel, we strongly suggest you purchase trip cancellation insurance to protect your vacation investment.** Western River Expeditions assumes no financial responsibility for personal injury, emergency evacuation, or equipment lost or damaged in any way. You will find a link to purchase cancellation insurance on Western's website at www.westernriver.com/insurance.



"From the moment I first met your team, I was greeted with a smile, taken care of with great attention to detail, given thorough explanations about procedure and safety, and then told fascinating tales about the river and its magical history. Their generosity and good spirit made all of us feel that we'd made real friends with whom we could be ourselves - in comfort and ease. The trip was filled with laughter, singing, fabulous food, fun games and first class service from beginning to end. These are memories that are truly priceless and will never be forgotten."

LAINE, Beverly Hills, CA

CANCELLATION FEES:

Number of Days Prior to Departure	Cancellation Fee Per Person
91+ Days	\$100 fee
61 - 90 Days	Deposit Amount
0 - 60 Days	No Refund

Packing List & Travel Tips



DUFFLE BAG

All of your personal items should be packed into a soft-sided duffle bag approximately 12" x 13" x 24" in size. Due to raft space, please limit your gear to 20 pounds. This 20-pound maximum weight limit does not include beverages (see note below regarding beverages).



DAY BAG

Upon arrival at the river's edge, you will be provided a water-resistant day bag (approximately 6" x 12"). In this day bag, you will want to put those items you wish to access during the day (raingear, camera, medications, sun block, lip balm, river guidebook, etc). We recommend packing these items in a small sack or bag inside your duffle for easy transfer to your day bag at the launch site.



GEAR BAG

Also upon arrival at the launch site of your trip, you will receive a water-resistant gear bag. This bag will contain your sleeping bag, sheet and ground tarp. You will put your duffle bag inside this bag, roll the top down and clip it securely to avoid getting your personal gear wet. Your personal gear bag will be available in camp each night of your trip.

CLOTHING ITEMS

- Two-piece rain suit
- 1 swimsuit (2-piece swimsuit and quick-drying shorts recommended for women)
- 1 quick-drying shirt
- 1 pair comfortable shorts and underwear for camp
- 1 pair socks for use in case of sunburn or foot injury
- 1 pair quick-drying pants (optional - for sun protection)
- Lightweight fleece top
- Sturdy water sandals or water shoes. Based on the type and condition of your footwear, you may want to consider a backup pair of sandals or shoes in case of any damage.
- Comfortable footwear for camp (some guests prefer to change out of wet sandals or shoes into flip flops or other light weight shoes)
- Hat for sun protection with string or hat clip

Note: Water clarity can vary from moderately silty to very silty. As a result, clothing may become discolored. Please pack accordingly

PERSONAL ITEMS

- Personal hygiene products
- Plenty of sunscreen
- Sunscreen lip balm
- After-sun moisturizing lotion
- Biodegradable soap and shampoo in small bottles
- Sport water bottle with clip or carabiner
- Small towel and wash cloth
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Small pack of tissues
- Small headlamp or flashlight with extra batteries
- Insect repellent (small container)
- Sunglasses with safety strap
- Camera - waterproof digital camera with extra batteries and memory cards recommended (Note: online post-trip photo sharing will be available for those with digital images. You will be given access information via email. Please ensure we have your accurate email address on file.)
- Small travel pillow
- Medication if needed (cool storage is available)
- Major credit card and photo ID in case of evacuation
- Cash for gratuities (Your guides on each of your tours will make every effort to see that your trip is enjoyable and successful. Gratuities for guides are appropriate, greatly appreciated and at your discretion, as a gesture of thanks for their professionalism and service. A suggested per-person guideline is between \$5 and \$15 on the Arches and Hummer tours and \$15 to \$30 on the rafting trip. The common practice is to give the gratuity to guide at the end of the trip. In trips where multiple guides have participated, the gratuity will be split amongst all of them).

TIP: redrockoutfitters.com offers great discounted packages containing most of these personal items as well as all of the clothing items on this list

OPTIONAL PERSONAL ITEMS

- 1 small carabiner for clipping day use bag to ropes
- Disposable moist towelettes
- Mile-by-Mile River Guide Book (purchase through redrockoutfitters.com)

GET THE ESSENTIALS FOR YOUR TRIP AT
redrockoutfitters.com

Items provided by Western River Expeditions

CONZO INN STAY

- » 2 Nights lodging at Gonzo Inn
- » Breakfast at Gonzo Inn each morning
- » Welcome lunch at a local restaurant
- » All meals between departure and return on river trip (While at the Gonzo Inn on days 1 and 2, you'll enjoy dinner on your own. There are plenty of excellent options within walking distance of the Gonzo Inn.)
- » Arches National Park Hike & Tour
- » Off-Road Hummer Sunset Safari

RAFTING TRIP

- » Transportation to the trip starting point
- » Return transportation after river trip back to Moab, Utah
- » Professional, licensed guides

- » All eating utensils and souvenir cup
- » Unlimited water and lemonade
- » Freshly laundered sleeping bag and sheet
- » Cot (28" x 74")
- » Tent and ground cover
- » Water-resistant dry bag for sleeping gear and personal duffle bag
- » Water-resistant day-use dry bag (6" diameter x 12") for personal items
- » Custom rafts
- » US Coastguard approved whitewater life jackets
- » Wilderness First-Aid kit
- » Sanitary Facilities

BEVERAGES » Water and lemonade are available in unlimited quantities on the boats and in camp. Coffee and hot chocolate are available in the morning in camp. Western does not provide beer, liquor, or soda pop. If you wish to bring your own alcoholic beverages and soda pop you may do so in moderate amounts. Please avoid glass containers. Plastic bottles and aluminum cans work well.

VALUABLES » You will want to have photo ID, a major credit card, and some cash for gratuities. All other valuables and jewelry should be left at home or in a safety deposit box at your hotel. In addition, as a safety precaution we suggest that you not wear rings on the river. Also, each year a few of our guests traveling on airlines arrive without luggage. With this in mind, we suggest you carry with you medications, prescription glasses, and anything you may not be able to replace the evening before your trip departs.

EXTRA LUGGAGE » You may leave extra luggage you will not be taking on the river in your vehicle, at the Gonzo Inn, or at the Moab Adventure Center. Transfer all your personal clothing and gear which you will need on the rafting trip to a small lightweight duffle bag. Identify duffle bag with label. Please **DO NOT BRING SUITCASES** on your river trip. As part of your camping equipment package, we provide a water-resistant bag in which you will place your duffle bag as well as the sleeping bag that we provide.

WEATHER » We always hope for good weather but you should be prepared for the possibility of cooler weather and storms. This is applicable to all trips throughout the season. The following chart shows averages for the months of March through October. Temperatures and precipitation will vary. A rain storm or a cool front can happen anytime. You can find current weather forecasts at www.westernriver.com (select your trip and click the weather link). Water temperatures range from 60-75° in the spring and summer.

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION - MOAB, UTAH:

	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT
Mean Max. Temperature	64	76	84	98	100	99	86	77
Mean Min. Temperature	33	39	49	58	62	61	50	40
Precipitation (inches)	0.9	1.2	1.1	0.1	1.2	0.8	0.8	1.6



Get the Essentials for Your Trip at redrockoutfitters.com

Through several decades of experience on the river, Western knows what clothing and gear will keep you smiling every second of your adventure. For your convenience, you can find all these items online with Western's retail division, Red Rock Outfitters. Visit www.redrockoutfitters.com

OTHER QUESTIONS » If you have additional questions, our friendly staff is available Monday - Friday from 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM Mountain Time. Also, visit us online at westernriver.com for more information. Be sure to see our "FAQS & POLICIES" section online under each trip.

We want to make sure that the vacation package you select is truly the adventure of a lifetime. Rest assured, we will make every possible effort to ensure your comfort and safety while traveling with us. We have a fifty-year history of satisfied guests, and we are excited to have you join their ranks.