



Trip Details on Trip # 101: Premier Rapid Run Lower New

Class Rating:

World Class III and V

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Offered:

March - November

Boat:

14' - 6-7 guests plus the guide

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Minimum Age*:

14 years old

*For your safety, ACE reserves the right to change age requirement if unusual water levels occur.
More Info on [Kid's Camp](#) (for Kids Who Don't Meet the Age Requirement)

Depending on water levels, many aspects of this trip change. Please refer to chart below.

Water Level	Put-In	Take-Out	Miles	Total Hours	Rapids	Rating
Above 4,200 cfs*	ACE Beach	Fayette Station	13	7 - 7.5	24	III - V
Below 4,200 cfs*	Cunard	Fayette Station	8	7 - 7.5	20	III - V

* Cubic Feet Per Second.

** When water levels fluctuate quickly (sometimes overnight) preparation and supplies can not be readied to provide the level of hot grilled lunch out guests are accustomed to, therefore, a delicious deli style lunch is served.

*** See next section for a description of each lunch option.



[New River Map](#)

[Current Water Levels](#)

[Current Weather](#)

Lunch:

No lunch is served on this trip.

The Season:

Different seasons provide very diverse river experiences as the dynamics of the river and the rapids themselves are transformed. Spring rafting is a thrill ride with typically higher water levels, making the waves, holes and rapids even more powerful. March - May offers the biggest whitewater of the season, while summer months offer fun, excitement and warmer temperatures. Great whitewater remains a constant in September and October as fall is fabulous in the New River Gorge.

Trip Format:

The Premier Rapid Run on the Lower New River offers the same rapids as the Premier Lower New trip but in a half day format. You will start off with big water at Upper and Lower Railroad Rapids, take on moderate to difficult rapids throughout the canyon, and finish up at Fayette Station Rapids, under the famous New River Gorge Bridge, the longest single span arch bridge in the northern hemisphere.

The Premier trips are run in 14' rafts which hold 6-7 customers plus a guide. These boats provide a more exciting trip and can maneuver through the rocks to punch through whitewater waves.

What to Wear and Bring:

Spring

Pile, wool, or acrylic sweater
Wool or rubber gloves, si cap
Nylon windbreaker
NO COTTON!
Towel, dry set of clothes (for after the trip)

Wetsuits and neoprene booties are strongly recommended for spring New River trips. Wetsuits are available for rent at ACE.



[Click Here to See a Chart of River Temperatures, Average Hi/Lows, and River Conditions](#)

Summer

Swimsuit, t-shirt, ball cap
Old sneakers or river shoes
Sunscreen, glasses strap
Light nylon windbreaker
Towel, dry set of clothes (for after the trip)

What to Expect Trip Itinerary:

- Arrive at ACE, check-in with your Trip Leader and fill out release forms (anyone under 17 years old must bring a waiver signed by both parents [Click Here to Download](#)).
- Change into your river wear, a guide will issue a PFD (personal floatation device) and helmet, then load up and head for the river.
- The bus ride to the put-in is approximate 30 minutes to put-in depending on water levels.
- On route, or at put-in, your trip leader and guide deliver a safety talk covering the fundamentals of rafting and proper use of river equipment, and precautions.
- At the put-in the trip leader will then make the guide/guest assignments. There will be a guide in every raft. The guests and guides then go through their introductions. Each guide will then take over with more specific details for the group. Basic strokes, paddling techniques, and guide commands are demonstrated and practiced by the group before heading down river. Guests riding in duckies will be taught how to paddle and maneuver the duck.
- There is no lunch on this trip. There are no restroom facilities alongside the river.
- At the take-out point, the gear is loaded onto our vehicles and we head back to the put-in for the second run down while enjoying a complimentary beverage.
- Back at ACE enjoy a hot shower, shop at our Outfitter's Store, check out our various lake & resort amenities, and dine at our Lakeside Dining Hall or the Lost Paddle Lounge - all located at ACE's 1400 acre Adventure Center.

Download Maps:



[Download a pdf of New River with Rapid and Ratings Listed](#)



[Download a pdf of ACE's 1,400-Acre Resort Map](#)

Download Waiver Forms:

[Download the General Waiver](#)

Note: Any guest under 17 years old **MUST** have a waiver signed by both parents! **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Download a Menu:

[Download the Lost Paddle Bar & Grill Menu](#)

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