

Whitewater Rafting

— Chilko River Expedition

7 Days / 6 Nights
\$2960
Includes Charter Flight!!!
Best River Rafting in
Western Canada

We invite you to join us on one of North America's premier whitewater river trips. The Chilko-Chilcotin Rivers deliver some of the biggest and most exciting rapids that are run commercially. Besides the excellent whitewater, we will travel through terrain ranging from alpine scenery with snow capped peaks through grassy plateaus and high desert cliffs. This is a river trip that has something for everyone. Black bear, Moose, Mule Deer, Cougar, Coyote and California Bighorn Sheep are just a few of the animals we have seen along this river system. Bird life is also abundant. Golden and Bald eagles, osprey and many species of hawks, to mention just a few, are observed on every trip. This river system is also a major spawning ground for Sockeye and Chinook Salmon. They can be seen in the crystal clear waters during their late summer run. And fishermen, don't forget your rod and reel for Rainbow Trout.

Day 1 —
Individual arrival in Vancouver.
Overnight in Vancouver.

Day 2 —
Meals: L/D
Transfer from your hotel to Vancouver International Airport. We fly by chartered aircraft over the glaciers and icefields of the Coastal Mountain Range, arriving at Chilko Lake to prepare for our rafting adventure. Here we meet the guides, board the rafts and head down the Chilko River. There is time to fish for abundant Rainbow Trout before stopping for lunch. In the afternoon the swift current and gentle rapids carry us away from the mountains to our meadow camp in the pine forest. A gourmet meal completes the perfect introduction to six days of rafting and relaxation.

Day 3 —
Meals: B/L/D
When we board the rafts the quickened pace of the river is immediately noticeable. We start to run the longest continuous rapids of the trip through Lava Canyon. This stretch is 18 miles of virtually unending whitewater, as the river drops through lava rock formations, pine and fir forests, to emerge on the beautiful Chilcotin Plateau. Lava Canyon contains many Grade V rapids.

Day 4 —
Meals: B/L/D
Day three sees the river double in size as the turquoise Taseko River joins the Chilko and leads us into the Chilcotin River. We float across the lush Chilcotin Plateau with numerous Grade II rapids. This area has an abundance of bird activity all seen through a fifteen-foot hole cut through the lava flow.

Day 5 —
Meals: B/L/D
Our fourth day on the river opens quietly as we drift past towering cliff walls, home to Golden and Bald Eagles and many species of hawk. We enter the five-mile-long Gooseneck Rapids arriving at camp on the confluence of the Chilcotin and Big Creek. Here we have plenty of time to climb nearby Dome

Mountain for the remarkable panoramic view, angle for Rainbow Trout in Big Creek or wander with a camera through the park-like setting.

Day 6 —
Meals: B/L/D
We head down river to challenge the largest rapids so far. Big Creek rapids provide an instant eye-opener but the best is yet to come! We run the rapids of Farwell Canyon with the rolling "badlands" providing a dramatic backdrop for the wild whitewater thrills of the Grade V water. This is a good opportunity for photographers to capture the other rafts as they run the gauntlet of waves. On our right is Gang Ranch - North America's largest ranch, and on our left a 3,000 acre reserve for Bighorn Sheep. Keep a keen eye open as Bighorn can be seen throughout the day. Next we challenge Railroad Rapid, the largest rapid on our journey, deep between the granite walls of Big John Canyon. The Chilcotin then sweeps us out onto the vast expanse of the Fraser River, ten times larger, where we set up camp for the last time on one of the fine untouched sandy beaches.

Day 7 —
Meals: B
We spend the last morning of our trip floating down the historic Fraser River. Before noon we arrive at Gang Ranch Bridge where our mini bus is awaiting to whisk you up to the town of Clinton. Here we board our final mode of transportation home, the train. As we ride the train back through the scenic mountainous village of Whistler/Blackcomb and along the Howe Sound Coast, we can take time to reflect on the journey down the river that many experts consider the premier whitewater trip in North America. Arrival in Vancouver and transfer to hotel of your choice or departure.



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RATES

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TRANSFER PACKAGES

You will be picked up from your
downtown Vancouver Hotel by a private
shuttle and transferred to Vancouver
Airport for the included charter flight.

DEPARTURE DATES

July 10 17 24 31
August 7 14

TOUR PRICE INCLUDES

- First overnight in Vancouver
- Transfers to and from Vancouver Hotel or Vancouver Airport to Chilko Lake
- Train ride from Clinton to Vancouver
- All meals as outlined in the itinerary
- Guided raft trip as outlined.

TOUR PRICE EXCLUDES

- Personal expenses
- Bring your own sleeping bag, tent and insulate (Camping equipment can be rented upon request)

SPECIAL NOTES

- A detailed equipment list and expedition guidelines will be sent to you at the time of booking or upon request
- All guests are required to sign a waiver of liability prior to departure

