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Salt River Rafting

We are done running the Salt for this 2015 season but we can't wait to raft with you next spring! The 2016 season will begin early March and run through April or May! We look forward to seeing you next year!

Whitewater rafting in Arizona: Express, 1-Day, 2-Day, 3-Day, 4 & 5-Day Arizona River Trips.

Salt River Canyon Description:

Experience spectacular Salt River rafting trips in the Upper Salt River Canyon! Paddle through an incredible 2000-foot deep canyon as you take on rapids such as "Maytag," "Overboard" and "Mescal Falls". The Salt River drops at over 20 feet per mile as it carves a canyon full of wilderness to discover. The high Sonoran Desert scenery and fun filled whitewater make this a special place best shared with friends and family. Mild to Wild Rafting provides a delicious, guide prepared, grilled steak lunch on our one day trips. Longer trips take you further into the wilderness section of the spectacular Salt River Canyon, which changes dramatically from day to day, and plunges you into bigger rapids! Indulge in the ultimate: catered multi-day trips with our deluxe river camp setup.

Salt River Rafting

- Location:** Central Arizona
- Adventure Level:** Rafting: Intermediate Inflatable Kayaks: High Adventure Premium Boat: High Adventure
- Class:** High Water: Class II, III & IV Rapids Low Water: Class II & III Rapids
- Season:** Salt trips will begin again in 2016 Early March-April/May!
- Restrictions:** Raft: Ages 8 and up (except at high water) Inflatable Kayak: Age 16 & must be 5' 2" Tall Premium Boat: Age 16+ for more adventure 8+ for a more private boat option

Current Water Levels

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Salt River Rafting Trip Options



Salt River One Day Trip

Explore Arizona Whitewater Rafting in Just a Day!

Savor a day in this spectacular canyon with 10-12 Class III rapids and a delicious grilled riverside lunch! Cost: \$125* Adult; \$105* Youth • Meets: 9:30

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Premium Option – Salt River One Day Trip

Enjoy a smaller guide to guest ratio!

Savor a day in this spectacular canyon with 10-12 Class III rapids and a delicious grilled riverside lunch! Cost: \$165* • Meets: 9:30

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Kayaking – Salt River One Day Trip

Enjoy the river from your own kayak!

Savor a day in this spectacular canyon with 10-12 Class III rapids and a delicious grilled riverside lunch! Cost: \$165* • Meets: 9:30

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Salt River Express Trip

Tackle the same stretch as the 1 day trip in a fraction of the time.

Enjoy an exciting trip filled with 10-12 "wet and fun" class III rapids. Thunder through thrilling rapids (every 5 to 10 minutes) in this unique recreational treasure in a raft. Cost: \$105* Adult; \$89* • Meets: 11:45

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Premium Option – Salt River Express Trip

Enjoy a smaller guide to guest ratio!

Enjoy an exciting trip filled with 10-12 "wet and fun" class III rapids. Thunder through thrilling rapids (every 5 to 10 minutes) in this unique recreational treasure in a premium boat. Cost: \$149* • Meets: 11:45

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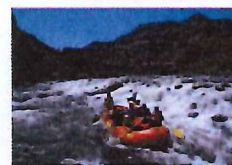
Kayaking – Salt River Express Trip

Enjoy the river from your own kayak!

Enjoy an exciting trip filled with 10-12 "wet and fun" class III rapids. Thunder through thrilling rapids (every 5 to 10 minutes) in this unique recreational treasure in your own kayak. Cost: \$149* • Meets: 11:45

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Salt Morning Half Day Trip

A taste of Arizona whitewater rafting!

A sampler trip for those short on time. Raft 6-8 Class III "wet and fun" rapids, discover breathtaking scenery and splash through spectacular rapids in a raft or premium boat. Cost: \$85* Adult; \$63* Youth • Meets: 9:30

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Premium Option – Salt Morning Half Day Trip

Enjoy a smaller guide to guest ratio!

A sampler trip for those short on time. Raft 6-8 Class III "wet and fun" rapids, discover breathtaking scenery and splash through spectacular rapids in a premium boat. Cost: \$119* • Meets: 9:30

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Kayaking – Salt Morning Half Day Trip

Enjoy your own kayak!

A sampler trip for those short on time. Raft 6-8 Class III "wet and fun" rapids, discover breathtaking scenery and splash through spectacular rapids in a premium boat. Cost: \$119* • Meets: 9:30

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Salt Camp Out Trip

Because everyone needs a night in the canyon!

You are going to want to stay in the Salt River Canyon after a day of rafting to relax, enjoy a delicious dinner, campfire, & night's rest in our comfortable camp. Cost: \$189* Adult; \$149* Youth • Meets: 9:30

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Premium Option – Salt Camp Out Trip

Enjoy a smaller guide to guest ratio!

You are going to want to stay in the Salt River Canyon after a day of rafting to relax, enjoy a delicious dinner, campfire, & night's rest in our comfortable camp. Cost: \$225* • Meets: 9:30

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Salt River Two Day Trip

Because you need more rapids, more wilderness & more get-away!

Indulge in two days of thrilling whitewater as you explore even deeper into the heart of the Salt River Canyon. Cost: \$425* Adult; \$340* Youth • Meets: 9:30

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Premium Option – Salt River Two Day Trip

Enjoy a smaller guide to guest ratio!

Indulge in two days of thrilling whitewater as you explore even deeper into the heart of the Salt River Canyon. Cost: \$450* Adult • Meets: 9:30

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Salt Three Day Trip

Raft, relax, rejuvenate, refresh!

Enjoy two nights of camping and three days of rafting in the beautiful 2000 foot deep Salt River Canyon. Cost: \$805* Adult; \$475* Youth • Meets: 9:30

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Premium Option – Salt Three Day Trip

Enjoy a smaller guide to guest ratio!

Enjoy two nights of camping and three days of rafting in the beautiful 2000 foot deep Salt River Canyon. Cost: \$895* • Meets: 9:30



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Premium Option – Salt Three Day Trip

Enjoy a smaller guide to guest ratio!

Enjoy two nights of camping and three days of rafting in the beautiful 2000 foot deep Salt River Canyon. Cost: \$895* • Meets: 9:30

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Salt Four Day Wilderness Trip

From Bridge to Bridge – Raft the Whole Whitewater Section!

Experience 3 serene nights under the stars while our guides provide 5-star service. Marvel at the canyon's unique natural beauty where you can experience dramatic changes in scenery every day! Cost: \$755* Adult; \$685* Youth • Meets: 9:30

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Premium Option – Salt Four Day Wilderness Trip

Enjoy a smaller guide to guest ratio!

Experience 3 serene nights under the stars while our guides provide 5-star service. Marvel at the canyon's unique natural beauty where you can experience dramatic changes in scenery every day! Cost: \$855* • Meets: 9:30

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Dash of Salt

Experience the 2 day Salt River trip in 1 day!

Explore twice the whitewater and twice the scenery of the Salt River in one spectacular day. Experience some class 4 rapids and save money over the 2 day trip. Cost: \$195* Adult • Meets: 8:30

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Premium Boat – Dash of Salt

Experience the 2 day Salt River trip in 1 day!

Enjoy a smaller guide to guest ratio as well as twice the whitewater and scenery of the Salt River in one amazing day. Class 4 rapids included at a money savings rate over the 2 day! Cost: \$240* Adult • Meets: 8:30

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Boat Options

Regular Rafts:

These are generally 15 foot self-bailing rafts. Choose an oar boat where the guide navigates with oars from the back of the boat so you can help paddle or just sit back and relax. Or, choose a paddle boat where everyone, including the guide, paddles. Since the guide doesn't have the large oars, they do not have as much control and require YOUR assistance to navigate the river!

Premium Boats:

Smaller boats with smaller tubes so at higher water levels they increase the level of adventure. They can be set up as Paddle Boats or Oar Boats. In a Paddle Boat, the guide has a paddle like the customers so everyone has to help navigate and paddle through the rapids. If the guests want more adventure, the guide can also go for the riskier lines through the rapids. When rigged as an Oar Boat, the guide has more control so guests have the option to sit back and relax or assist in paddling through the rapids. Premium Boats can also be reserved as a more private boat option. We normally put 4 to 5 people (6 if there are 6 in the group) in a Premium Boat as opposed to 8 or 9 in the regular sized rafts. With this option, guests can request an Oar or Paddle Boat. If your group has younger kids and reserves a Premium Boat as a more private boat option, the guides will take more conservative lines as safety is our number one priority. At lower water levels, the Premium Boats only offer more of a private trip and there is no added adventure.

Inflatable Kayaks:



For those who want to increase the level of adventure further and control their own destiny, this is the perfect option! No experience necessary and an instructional guide will be provided. Each person will be in his/her own single person inflatable kayak. Interested? (Note for the 2016 season: With El Nino in the forecast, we are expecting a high water season. We will not be able to run kayaks until the water is a "kayakable" level which will be approximately mid-April. Go to [Salt River Kayaking](#).

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Salt River Rafting Trip Highlights:

- 2,000 foot deep canyon – Arizona's Other Grand Canyon
- More rapids per mile than any other Arizona river
- Numerous Class III "wet and fun" rapids on the 1 day section, Class IV on longer trips
- Spectacular blooming cactus & desert flowers
- Granite canyon walls
- Earliest river season in the U.S.
- Wilderness trip (no cell phones, no electricity, no running water!)

Special Ways We Care for You on the Salt River:

- Going the extra mile (literally) upstream from the main put-in to provide 2 additional rapids (when water levels allow)
- Multifaceted Satellite communication systems to coordinate the details of your adventure and increase safety
- Specially designed 4-wheel drive vehicles to ensure your shuttle out on the rugged trails
- Different boat options for various water levels and adventure desires
- Free helmets, free wetsuits, free wetsuit boots and free splash jackets
- Trips held to the higher safety standards of Colorado state
- Quality trip leaders with an average of 2,000 river miles experience
- Earning the highest possible ratings from the Forest Service and Apache Tribe, our governing agencies

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