

TUOLUMNE RIVER TRIP INFORMATION

CONGRATULATIONS, Your space is reserved for one of the finest whitewater experiences in the United States. Flowing from living glaciers in the Yosemite high country, the Tuolumne river is outstanding for the rugged beauty of its canyon, abundant wildlife, excellent trout fishing, idyllic side canyons, and of course for its famous whitewater. The following information should answer your logistical questions. If you still have questions after reading this sheet, please feel free to call our office.

DRIVING INSTRUCTIONS

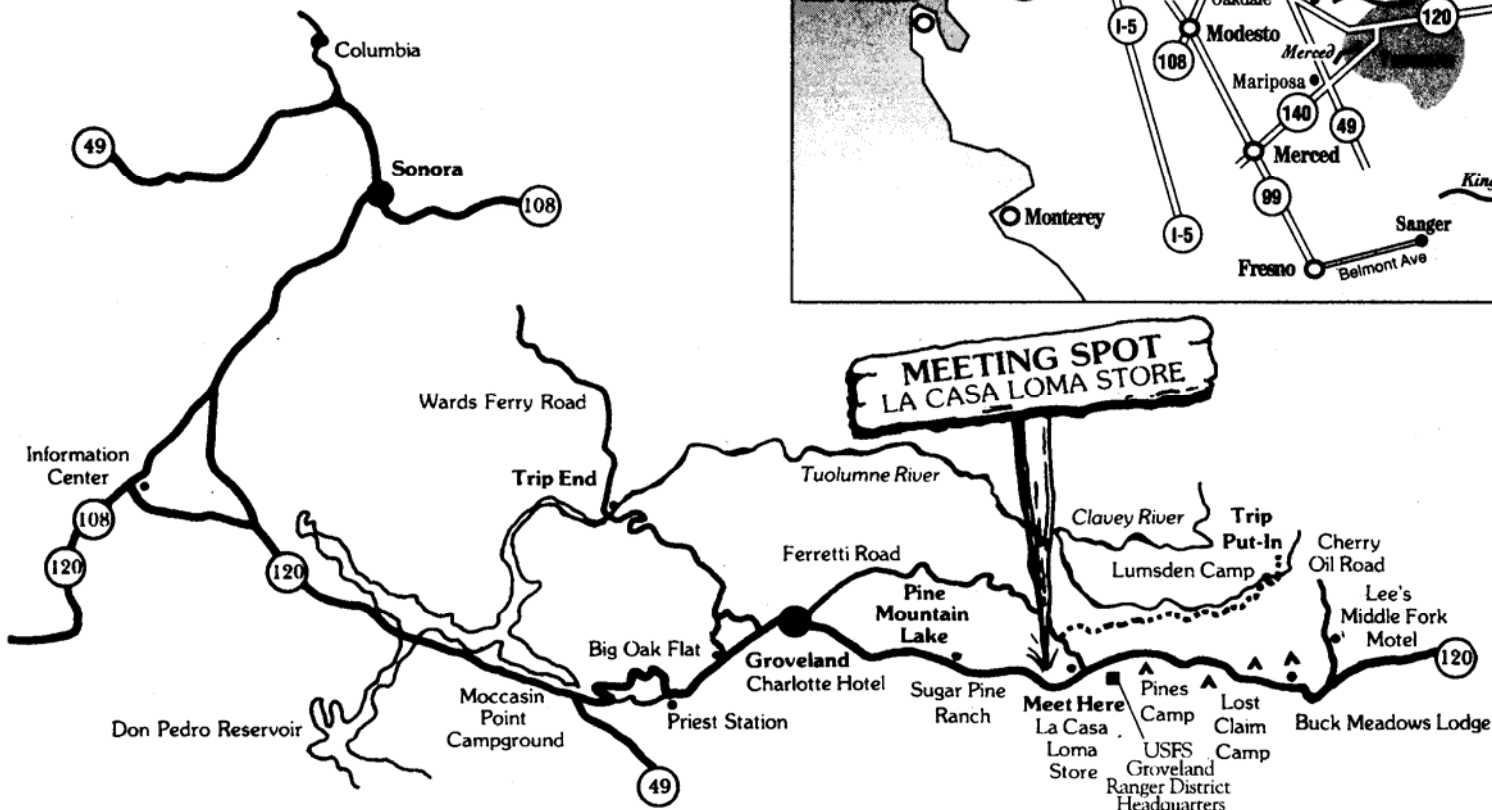
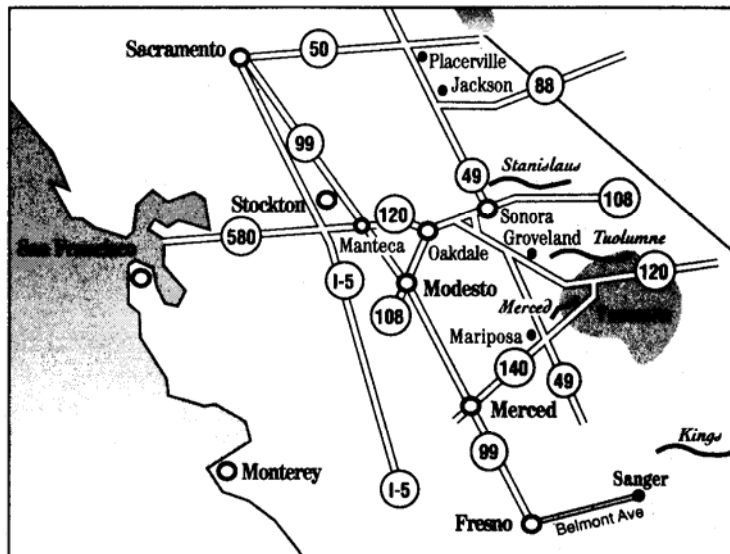
Groveland, the nearest town to our meeting place, is on Highway 120. To drive there from Sacramento (driving time 3 hours), take Highway 99 South to Manteca. Go east on Highway 120 passing through Oakdale and Chinese Camp to Groveland. If you are coming from Los Angeles (driving time 6 hours), drive north on Highway 99 to Merced. At the northern end of Merced take exit J-59 toward Sonora. Stay on J-59 until you reach Hwy 132, turn right to Coulterville. At Coulterville Hwy 132 ends at Hwy 49. Turn left on Hwy 49, go 50 yards, then turn right on J-20 to Greely Hill. Follow J-20 past Greely Hill until Hwy 120. Turn right on Hwy 120, go about 1/2 mile to Ferretti Road, turn left. Those of you coming from the Bay Area (driving time 3-1/2 hours), may opt for the Sacramento route or you may take Highway 580 through Hayward and Livermore to Manteca.

MEETING PLACE

Our meeting place is La Casa Loma store, seven miles east of Groveland. From Groveland drive east to Ferretti Road. (Careful! Ferretti Road also joins Highway 120 just outside the town of Groveland. Drive the full seven miles from the Groveland city limit sign to the correct Ferretti Road exit). There you will turn left on Ferretti and then left again to get to the store. La Casa Loma store can be seen from Highway 120, but is located about 100 yards off the highway. Your car will be parked at the store for the duration of your trip and the river shuttle service will transport you to the river, and then return you to your car at the end of the trip.

MEETING TIME

The meeting time is 8:30 am sharp!, the morning of your trip.
Please be on time. If you are late, you may miss the trip.



AIRPORTS

The closest major airports are San Francisco and Oakland. (You will need to rent a car and drive approximately 3-1/2 hours to our meeting place). For private planes - Pine Mountain Lake is near our trip meeting place. Airport pickup is available by prior arrangement.

OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS

We recommend arriving in the area the night before your trip.

Berkshire Bed & Breakfast-19950 Hwy 120, Groveland	(209) 962-6744.	888 225-2064
Evergreen Lodge-Off Hwy 120 on Evergreen Road, Groveland	(209)379-2606.	800 93 LODGE
Groveland Hotel-Downtown Groveland	(209) 962-4000.	800 273-3314
Groveland Motel-Hwy 120, Groveland,	(209) 962-7865	
Hotel Charlotte Bed & Breakfast- Groveland	(209) 962-6455	800 961-7799
Pine Mountain Lake (Vacation rentals) Groveland	(209) 962-7123	
Yosemite Westgate Lodge - Hwy 120, Buck Meadows	(209) 962-5281	(800) 253-9673

Additional motel lodging is available in Sonora, approximately one hour from our meeting spot. If you are having trouble finding lodging, please call our office, we would be happy to assist you.

CAMPING

There are three U.S. Forest Service campgrounds, some group sites available, near La Casa Loma store (our meeting place). Call the Groveland Ranger District (209) 962-7825 for information and (209) 379-2402 for group reservations. Another option is Moccasin Point Camp on Highway 120 (45 minutes from our meeting place). Call (209) 852-2396 for information. For you RV'ers, Yosemite Pines RV Park (209 962-5042 or (877) 962-7690.

FOOD & BEVERAGE

Breakfast the morning of your trip is your responsibility. We provide all meals on the river, starting with lunch the first day, and ending with lunch the last day. One-day trips serve lunch only. We provide wine with dinner, as well as various juices, coffee, hot chocolate, and limited soft drinks and beer. On some trips, we can provide extra coolers if you wish to bring along your own extra beer. No alcohol on the river, please.

WET SUITS

Through late June or so (depending on winter snowpack), wet-suits are a must. Spring runoff is high and cold, and we want you to be comfortable. Wet-suits are provided at no charge. NOTE: We no longer provide booties, as our self-bailing rafts keep your feet out of the water most of the time. You should bring along tennis shoes and wool socks, or water socks to wear on the river. A nylon swimsuit (or other thin material suit) should be worn underneath the wet-suit.

RIVER CAMP

On the river we camp at unimproved riverside sites. To protect the river environment we carry out all trash and are careful not to pollute the river. Our guides will instruct you on washing and sanitation procedures for using our portable toilet facilities. We ask that you cooperate by following these procedures to minimize our impact on the river and canyon.

PACKING FOR OVERNIGHT TRIPS

When you arrive at La Casa Loma, your head guide will provide you with waterproof bags for packing your personal gear. When you are deciding what to bring on the river, please remember that you will be packing all your belongings into the waterproof bags, so please pack lightly. Gear packed in waterproof bags will not be accessible during the day. For small items that you wish to use during the day (sunscreen, lip ointment, nylon shell), we suggest placing them in a plastic ziplock bag which we can place in our day bags.

CAMERAS

If your camera is small and inexpensive, a large ziplock bag will give sufficient protection. More expensive cameras can be protected with a watertight inflatable "sports pouch" available at sports stores. Camera insurance is recommended.

WHAT TO BRING... Please be dressed in river clothes when we meet you

For on the river: Shorts/swimsuit - T-Shirt or long sleeve shirt (*for sun protection*) - Tennis shoes or river sandals - Wool socks (*wool is warm when wet*) - Sunglasses with tie-on - Baseball style hat / visor with tie-on - Camera - Sunscreen - Light windbreaker - Wet suit (we provide them)

For camp:

Dry shoes and socks - Sweater or jacket - Sleeping bag - Ground cloth, pad or air mattress - Comfortable clothes for camp - Towel - Toiletries & medications - Flashlight

Optional:

Clean set of clothes to leave in your car for drive home - Fishing gear with license - Tent - Books, games - Rain gear - Extra beer or soft drinks (see meals section)

COOL WEATHER OR HIGH WATER ITEMS In cooler weather, wool, polypropylene or capilene will keep you warm even when wet. (When choosing your cool weather river clothing, make sure the fabrics contain no cotton.)

Polypro or wool long underwear - Wool or polypro sweater/jacket - Wool or pile pants - Wool hat & gloves - Tent, Rain gear - Wetsuit & booties

WEATHER

During the summer months you can expect hot days (often reaching into the 90s) and warm nights (usually in the 60s). Spring and fall weather is usually excellent (daytime temperatures range from the 60s to the 80s). Rain showers can, however, occasionally occur. Feel free to call us for the latest weather forecast.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: We recommend trip cancellation insurance and have included an application for low cost travel insurance; more forms are available from our office. This insurance covers loss of baggage, personal injury to you, and trip cancellation insurance should you have to cancel your trip within our non-refundable time limit. For low cost travelers insurance, call (800) 937-1387 or (925) 932-1387. Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm, PST

GENERAL CANCELLATION POLICY

Please understand that when we initially accept your reservations, we MAY BE turning others away from your trip date, and if you cancel from a fully booked trip, the following will apply:

If you cancel 60 days or more before your trip, you will receive a full refund. If you cancel 31-59 days before your trip, you will receive a 50% refund, and if either you or we can fill your cancelled spaces, you will receive a 100% refund. If you cancel 30 days or less prior to your trip, no refund will be given unless you or we can refill your cancelled spaces, in which case you will receive a 100% refund.

CREDIT CARD CANCELLATIONS will be refunded less a 2.5% fee that is charged to us when we initially ran your card.



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IMPORTANT
PLEASE RETURN ASAP

BY MAIL OR FAX TO (209) 532-4525

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration Information (please print or type)

Note: We update our mailing list from this form, so please print name, address and zip clearly.

TRIP/RIVER: TUOLUMNE TRIP DATE: _____ GROUP ORGANIZER: _____

NAME: _____ Email: _____

STREET: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

CELL PHONE: () _____ AGE: _____ WEIGHT: _____ HEIGHT: _____

If a minor is listed, please provide the relationship of the person signing this document to the minor. _____

In case of emergency, please notify: _____

Name

Address

Phone

Medical Information

Please describe your general health: _____

Do you have any physical handicap which might affect your safety or health on the trip? Yes No

If yes, please explain _____

Allergies: to bee stings _____ to certain food _____ other _____

Dietary restrictions: _____

Any other helpful medical information: _____

Do you carry any medical insurance? Yes No

If so, Insurance Company or Provider _____

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS AND THE NEXT PAGE
RETURN COMPLETED FORMS PRIOR TO TRIP DATE

ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT

This is a release. Read it carefully and sign below. This release essentially says that I know I am going on a whitewater rafting trip. If I die, get hurt, or damage my belongings, I will not make a claim, sue, or expect ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, its owners, operators, agents, employees, and associates to be legally responsible or pay for any damages.

I, the undersigned, hereby acknowledge that I have voluntarily chosen to go on this whitewater rafting trip with ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, I know and fully understand that a whitewater rafting trip, whether on a raft, an oar boat, a kayak, or any other type of vessel, is an outdoor adventure activity with inherent risks and hazards where serious accidents can occur, participants can die, sustain injuries, and property damage. I acknowledge and willingly assume all risks and hazards in whitewater rafting and river related camping, including but not limited to, loss of control of the raft, collision with other participants, rocks, trees, and any portion of the interior of the raft, other rafts, and any other manmade or natural obstacles, whether they are obvious or not; submersion in water, drowning, encounters with animals, wildlife and insects, exposure to extreme temperatures and inclement weather, wilderness terrain and unavailability of immediate medical attention in case of injury.

I further understand and acknowledge that ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, provides foot cups in some of its boats to assist participants in stabilizing themselves. Although foot cups assist participants from falling out of a boat, the use of foot cups may present an increased risk of knee, ankle, or other injuries because of their restrictive nature. Use of foot cups is totally voluntary. Finally, I understand that Class IV and V represent the most difficult and dangerous levels of whitewater and recognize that the risks associated with whitewater rafting are increased. *My participation in this activity is purely voluntary and I elect to do so at my own risk.*

In consideration for ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, allowing me to participate on this trip, I voluntarily agree to release, discharge, and hold harmless ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, and their owners, officers, agents, and employees for any and all claims of liability arising out of their negligence, recklessness, strict liability, breach of contract, or any other act or omission which causes the undersigned illness, injury, death, and damages of any nature in any way connected with my participation in this activity. I also expressly agree to release and discharge ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, their owners, officers, agents, and employees from any act or omission of negligence in rendering or failing to render any type of emergency or medical services. *In signing this document, I fully recognize and understand that if I (or any minor on whose behalf I am signing this release) am hurt, die, or my property is damaged, I am giving up my right to make a claim or file a lawsuit against ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, and all other parties and affiliates named herein even if they negligently or by some other act or omission cause the injury or damage.*

As parent or legal guardian of a participant under 18 years of age, I have read and voluntarily agree that said minor may participate in this whitewater rafting trip, and I sign this release on their behalf. In addition, I give ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, its agents, employees, and associates permission to treat said minor in case of illness, injury, emergency or accident. Should emergency medical services become necessary, for the undersigned participant or minor, the expenses are the sole responsibility of the participant and not that of ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS. Personal medical and travel insurance is strongly advised.

ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, reserves the right to accept or deny service to any person. I hereby agree to follow all rules, regulations, and instructions of ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, while on this trip. I also certify that I and any minor on whose behalf I am signing, are physically and mentally capable of participating in these activities. I hereby agree that ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, may use film or photographic records of this rafting trip for its promotional and/or commercial purpose.

The venue of any dispute that may arise out of this agreement or otherwise between the parties to which ZEPHYR WHITEWATER EXPEDITIONS, or its agents is a party shall be the Municipal Court or the County or State Superior Court in Tuolumne County.

I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS A RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS. I UNDERSTAND THAT I AM ASSUMING ALL THE RISKS INHERENT IN WHITEWATER RAFTING. I VOLUNTARILY SIGN MY NAME AS EVIDENCE OF MY ACCEPTANCE OF THE ABOVE PROVISIONS. Please Print Clearly:

DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN (IF UNDER AGE OF 18): _____



TENT & SLEEPING PACK RENTALS

Tent and sleeping pack rentals are available on all Zephyr trips. This is great for the person who likes to travel light. We have limited quantities, so early reservations are recommended. Ring us at 22/653/5858 'xgt Kq' cxckr dkkw' qht gpw nu'dghqt g'lgpf kpi 'lp' {qwt 'r c{o gpv.

Sleeping packs include one sleeping bag with a sheet liner, therma-rest pad and ground cloth.

Platform Tent includes up to 6 inflatable ground pads. Available on Kings trips only.

PRICES FOR RENTALS

Sleeping packs are \$25.00 per person / per trip

4-Person dome tents are \$25.00 for 1 night or \$35.00 for 2 nights (each)

Platform Tent is \$60.00 for 1 night or \$75.00 for 2 nights (Kings trips only)

Inflatable Ground Pads are \$10.00 for 1 night or \$15.00 for 2 nights (each)

Yes, please reserve for me _____ sleeping pack(s)!

Yes, please reserve for me _____ four-person tent(s) for _____ night(s)!

Yes, please reserve for me _____ platform tent for _____ night(s)!

Yes, please reserve for me _____ inflatable ground pad(s) for _____ night(s)!

I have enclosed \$_____ for my rentals! I understand that full payment must be returned with this form in order to reserve camping gear.

RIVER _____ TRIP DATE _____

NAME _____ GROUP ORGANIZER _____

ADDRESS _____

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