



Canoe Outpost-Peace River/Day Helpful Hints

800-268-0083 or 863-494-1215

Bring plenty of food and drink while on the river. Also remember to bring sunscreen, hats, sunglasses, and bug spray. Bring a change of clothes and a towel. Leave them in your vehicle for after the trip. Dressing rooms and outdoor rinse stations are available at both Outposts.

Campfires: Cooking by the river is allowed as long as fires are extinguished and area is cleaned up. Use only fallen branches or charcoal. Do not cut any trees or shrubs! Please use existing firepits.

Coolers, 80 qt. or larger will not fit into the canoes. Oversized coolers will not be loaded on the bus.

Dogs and other pets are allowed. Please be sure to keep them on a leash at all times when not on the water. Please sit to the back of the bus with dogs and do not allow them on the seats.

Fishing: Freshwater fishing licenses are required for the freshwater species. During snook season you must have a current freshwater license, saltwater license, & snook stamp.

Human Waste: Remember bring trowels or shovels for burying toilet paper and human waste. Toilet paper must be buried or burned. Remember the three B's: 1. Bury it 2. Burn it or 3. Bring it out. Portocans are available at Oak Hill.

Inflatables: Inflated tubes, rafts, and kayaks cannot be transported.

Keys: We will be glad to hold your keys or make sure you have readily available copies in case you lose yours. There are lots of keys in the bottom of the river.

Ladies only: feminine hygiene products do not biodegrade or burn. Do not throw pads, tampons, wrappers, and applicators in the bushes, on the ground, or in the campfires. Please be considerate of others and nature.

Lifejackets are required. Federal law requires everyone have a lifejacket that fits. Adult jackets are on the bus. Kids, 90 lbs. and under, must be fitted with a jacket at the office. Do not use the lifejacket belt to tie the canoes together; law requires that jackets are easily accessible. Bring bungees or rope or ask at the desk!

Personal Canoes & Kayaks: All personal canoes, kayaks, and other vessels not registered with Canoe Outpost must take out at the public boat ramp and cannot camp or stop on Canoe Outpost property. Being "part of a group" does not mean automatic registration as Canoe Outpost customers. Renting a canoe or canoes from Canoe Outpost does not mean that all friends, family, and associates with their own canoes/kayaks automatically become registered Canoe Outpost customers.

Picnicking: The Outpost has picnic tables in Arcadia, in Gardner, and along the river at Oak Hill for the exclusive use of Canoe Outpost customers. The picnic area with shelter and grill at Arcadia is available for groups on a first come/first serve basis or by reservation. Canoe Outpost Oak Hill is the only designated picnic/camping area with hiking trails from Brownville to Arcadia and is for the exclusive use of **Canoe Outpost customers only**. Feel free to follow the trails and use the picnic tables. Please do not disturb campers unless invited into their camp.

Private Property: The Peace River is bordered on both sides by private property. Canoeists must stay near the water and below the high water mark. *Trespassers can and will be prosecuted.* Any homes, cabins, anchored boats, docks, and picnic areas other than Oak Hill are private property and off limits. Be considerate and don't stop and use these areas. There are no public facilities or property along the river. No hiking trails.

Radios and boom boxes are fine but they do like to go swimming and not everyone shares your taste in music. Be considerate with your music or just listen to the symphony of nature.

Recycling: No glass containers or Styrofoam on the river. We can only recycle aluminum and plastic.

Safety: Canoeing & kayaking can be a hazardous sport. Please be careful and follow all safety rules. Do not jump or dive from canoes, bridges, banks, rope swings, or trees. It's not worth never walking again. Swim with caution. Shoes are recommended. Wear shoes in the water.

Third person in a canoe? Bring a sand or low beach chair for them to sit on. Umbrellas especially beach or golf ones are recommended for shading the little ones in the middle when it's nap time and to protect their skin.

Trash: Remember to bring trash bags or ask at the office for some. **BRING ALL TRASH BACK TO THE OUTPOST!!!!**

Waterproofing: Put all gear especially cameras in waterproof containers. Ziploc bags are recommended for smaller items. Leave air in bags so they will float if canoe tips. Disposable waterproof cameras recommended. We also recommend leaving all valuables locked in your vehicle or we will hold them for you.

Wildlife: Do not feed, handle, or molest any wildlife. Watch where you step, look before reaching into trees etc. Possession of any alligator dead or alive, whole or part of, is against the law.

Wild plants: It is illegal to remove air plants, orchids, and other wild plants.

HAVE FUN!!!!!!

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