

Rafting Day Trips

For 2021, all day rafting trips will be scheduled on Friday.

- Units must provide their own transportation
- Guided Trip, meaning there will be a guide in each raft.
- Fees: \$50.00 per person
- All participants must take the BSA Swim Test at Camp Daniel Boone.



Fees cover equipment, lunch, guides, and Forest Service river use fees. Units are welcome to tip their river guides.

To reduce coming in and out of camp, it is the *option* of the unit to check out of camp on Friday morning and proceed home from the rafting trip. To effectively social distance, closing campfire will be divided into Thursday night and Friday night events so units leaving Friday morning will attend Thursday night. If you choose this option, communicate via email (Melinda.Kuehn@scouting.org) so we can plan for Thursday night campsite inspection and gather all parting materials. This is an OPTION, not a requirement. If you return to camp after rafting, please stop at the health lodge upon arrival for temp checks and then go straight to your campsite to reduce contact with others.

You will get wet, so be sure to bring an extra set of clothes and shoes. The following items are recommended for the trip: shoes (sneakers or shoes that tie are required), shorts or swim trunks. On cooler days, additional clothing may be needed. Cameras may be taken at your own risk.

NANTAHALA RIVER *no age restriction

The Nantahala River provides a thrilling trip on class II and III rapids through the Nantahala National Forest. Dam-controlled water releases ensure whitewater action. The river is located approximately 1.5 hours to the west of Camp Daniel Boone.

FRENCH BROAD RIVER *no age restriction

On NOC's **French Broad** rafting trips, you'll explore the third-oldest river in the world, located deep in the rugged Pisgah National Forest. You will learn about the rich history of this river, from its earliest Native American settlers to the industrialization of Asheville. You will also see abundant wildlife, including heron and kingfishers, bald eagles, and even an occasional black bear. With its splashy Class II and III rapids, NOC's outpost is located approximately 30 minutes north of Asheville.

OCOEE RIVER *Participants must be 12 years or older

Ocoee River rafting is synonymous with big waves, warm water, and continuous action - that's why we call it the "Ocoee Coaster!" From beginning to end, the Ocoee will get you soaked, smiling, and laughing in an action-packed half-day trip that features five miles of continuous Class III-IV rapids such as Broken Nose, Tablesaw, and Hell Hole. The Ocoee River is located approximately 3 hours southwest of camp (just to the east of Chattanooga Tennessee).

MERIT BADGE CLASSES

Units rafting do not need to schedule any MB classes for their scouts on Friday. Be Advised: Scouts in the Goin' Great program would miss the 5-mile hike Friday morning.

LUNCH

Your lunches are provided by Camp Daniel Boone. Please go by the dining hall before you leave camp to get your lunches to carry with you to the river.

PHOTOS

The NOC offers a photo CD for \$40 per unit. Contact Jae Jackson (see contact info below) for more information or to pre-order your photos!

ZIPLINING

The NOC offers a limited number of zipline spaces for \$15.00 per person on the same day as your rafting trip (Nantahala River only). Contact **Jae Jackson** (see contact info below) to take advantage of this offer!

RELEASE FORM

<u>ALL PARTICIPANTS AND PARENTS MUST HAVE A COMPLETED RELEASE FORM</u>, which can be found at the link below. Please complete the forms BEFORE YOU COME TO CAMP to ensure all parent/guardian signatures are in place!

https://www.campdanielboone.org/files/7599/NOC-Waiver-pdf

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