



Wetsuits & Jackets
INCLUDED
on every trip!

Colorado's Adventure Center



AVA has more miles & rapids on every trip!

STAY & PLAY





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*Challenging you to
experience the fun and
beauty of the Colorado
outdoors*

We strive to bring awareness and understanding of the surrounding wilderness to our guests. Our enjoyable adventures help instill appreciation for the natural environment.



...By the way,
my kids said their
favorite thing
about Colorado
was rafting with
you. Thanks for
making it such a
memorable event.

Alan McGraw

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Why Arkansas Valley Adventure?

- Central Colorado is one of the United States must-see travel destinations
- Beautiful stretches of whitewater for every type of paddler, from children to experienced Class V whitewater enthusiasts
- World-Class Rafting, Climbing, Hiking, Biking, & Fly-Fishing available in one location
- Stay and Play: Discount packages available if you book lodging and recreation with us
- Log Cabins and Camping on site
- Scenic 14,000-foot peak backdrop to AVA's four-acre headquarters
- Transportation provided to and from your activity
- Helmet, life jacket, wetsuit, and paddle included as part of your rafting trip
- Many of our trips include our great chicken fajitas lunch cooked right on the river. Peanut butter and jelly also available.



- Special dietary requirements are honored at no extra charge
- Multiple outposts located throughout Central Colorado for your convenience
- Photos and Videos available after your rafting trip
- Free parking
- Travel information and assistance
- Call us Toll free at 1.800.370.0581
- Website: www.coloradorafting.net
- AVA prides itself on recycling and sustainable practices. Our goal is to provide low impact environmental recreation



AVA Central Reservations: 800.370.0581 or 877.Rafting

River Trips

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RATE YOUR ABILITY

- Easy** All Ages & Abilities
- Intermediate** All Ages & Abilities
- Advanced** Active Lifestyle
- Advanced +** Active & Adventurous

WHAT DO THE DIFFICULTY RATINGS MEAN?

- Class I** – (All Ages) No significant waves. No obstacles.
- Class II** – (All Ages) Easy. Rapids with regular waves, clear passages and wide channels.
- Class III** – (All Ages) Moderately difficult. Irregular waves, often narrow channels, maneuvering to avoid obstacles required.
- Class IV** – (Ages Vary) Difficult. Complex channels with many significant obstacles to be avoided. Precise maneuvering is required.
- Class V** – (Minimum Age 15) Extremely difficult. Long continuous rapids, often following each other almost without interruption.
- Class VI** – Considered unrunnable. High possibility of serious injury.

* River classes can vary depending on river flow.

The Arkansas River

Season May thru September

There's a reason the Arkansas is one of the most rafted rivers in the country. Combine the scenic beauty of the Arkansas Valley and the excitement of continuous whitewater and you get one of the most enjoyable recreation options available. All trips on the Arkansas River leave from the AVA outpost in Granite. Please call for reservations.

Arkansas Valley Specialty

Full Day Intermediate Class III
Departs AVA @ 9:30am
Cost: \$79.00 Adult, \$74.00 Child



This trip offers Colorado's incredible scenic beauty with 14,000-foot mountains, valleys, & canyons accompanied by miles of white-water fun for all ages! The adventure begins immediately with whitewater rapids like the Silver Bullet Dam & Beaver Falls. This trip continues through the beautiful Arkansas Valley and down into the famous Brown's Canyon. Here we'll break for a riverside lunch before tackling rapids such as Zoom Flume, Siedel's Suck Hole, & The Seven Stairs. Hot Lunch included.

Brown's Canyon Express

3/4 Day Intermediate Class III
Departs AVA @ 12:00pm
Cost: \$59 Adult, \$54 Child



Raft the nation's favorite stretch of river, the famous Brown's Canyon. Supreme rafting for all ages and experience levels,

this trip delivers a mix of exhilarating white-water and the majestic quality of a granite canyon. Rouse your spirit in rapids like Zoom Flume, Pinball and many others.

Granite Gorge

1/3-Day Intermediate Class III

Departs AVA @ 10:00am

Cost: \$33 Adult, \$28 Child

This beautiful remote Gorge begins up in the little mountain town of Granite Colorado.

This trip is great for people on a schedule or who are just looking for a quick introduction to whitewater rafting. You'll enjoy class III rapids, with names such as Wake up, Maytag, Car Crash, Hopscotch, and more. This amazing Gorge can be enjoyed by all ages!

in between, including a steep ledge drop into No. 5. The paddling demands good physical condition and a minimum age of 15 years. Hot Lunch included.

Pine Creek (The Gauntlet)

Full & 1/2 Day Advanced+ Class IV & V

Departs AVA @ 8:30am

Cost: \$99 Full Day, \$69 1/2 Day



The most advanced section on the Arkansas River begins in the little mountain town of Granite, which quickly fades away as you



What a great weekend! Thanks again. The Numbers/Narrows was a blast. I'll have to try and make it back up for the Pine Creek/Gauntlet trip before the summer is over. See Ya!

John Harvill

Granite Gorge with Rappel

1/2 Day Intermediate Class III

Departs AVA @ 9:00am

Cost: \$58 Adult, \$53 Child

Add a little more excitement to the Granite Gorge! Show up early and we'll let you rappel seventy-five feet down to your raft to start the trip. This is a great way to fit a little climbing into your Colorado vacation. Novices are encouraged to participate. Call to request.

The Numbers

Full & 1/2 Day Advanced Class III-V

Departs AVA am/pm

Cost: \$89 Full Day, \$65 1/2 Day



The pioneer whitewater enthusiasts who first ran this northern section of the Arkansas didn't bother to label rapids with intimidating names describing their thrills. They are simply numbered, but you may lose track counting off the 8 rapids on this section. Each Class III-V rapid is punctuated by continuous whitewater

enter the exciting Granite Gorge. These Class III and IV rapids are merely a warm-up for what comes next. Get ready to paddle hard as you journey through the Rite of Passage, the gates of Pine Creek, where the river narrows by half its width. Here you'll encounter the most continuous rapids in the state. This is where the river becomes a creek and its gradient drops an astounding 200 feet with a must-make crux move. Recommended as a full day with the Numbers! This run demands good physical condition and a minimum age of 15 years is required. Hot Lunch included.

* Show up early and we'll let you rappel 75-feet, rappel down to your raft. This is a great way to fit a little climbing into your Colorado vacation. Novices are encouraged to participate. Call to request.



The Arkansas River Cont.

Pine Creek/Numbers Express

1/2 Day Advanced + Class IV-V

Departs AVA @ 9:00am

Cost: \$75

This trip puts in above the most continuous rapid in the state and the most advanced rapid on the Arkansas River, known as Pine Creek. This is where the Arkansas River becomes a creek and its gradient drops an astounding 200 feet in less than a mile! Before you can catch your breath you'll be through Triple Drop and into the Numbers for an exciting morning. The put in is across the street from the AVA outpost.

24-Hours in Browns Canyon

Full Day Overnight Intermediate Class III

Departs AVA @ 2:00pm

Cost \$149 Adult \$129 Child

This is an excellent weekend get away. This trip is our Arkansas Valley Specialty trip set up as an overnight. You'll arrive mid-afternoon

the first day, raft into Browns Canyon, camp and have dinner **in the Canyon**. A gear raft that will bring all your personal gear and provisions for the overnight will accompany you. You'll awake to a delicious breakfast **in the Canyon**, paddle out mid-morning and be back at your car before noon the second day. Bring your sleeping bag; we'll handle everything else. If you don't have a sleeping bag check with the office or just take your guides.

Multi-Day Canyon Overnight Trip

Two-Day Intermediate Class III

Departs AVA @ 10:30am

Cost: \$250 Adult, \$225 Child

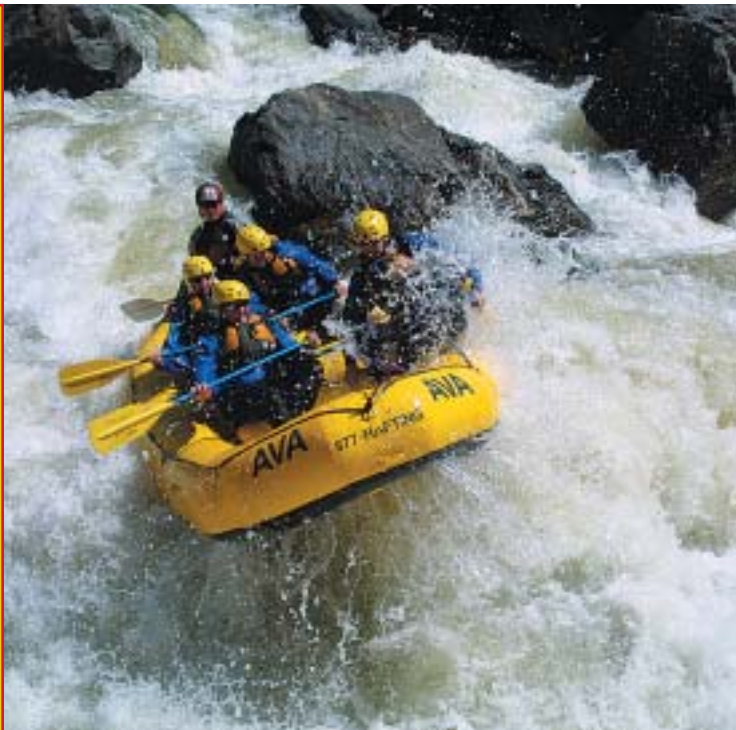
We realize that "fun" is sometimes defined by less than a hair-raising experience. Grab a camp chair and join us overnight on the Arkansas River for a two-day, one-night trip through The Narrows and Brown's Canyon. Hearty meals are included and prepared fresh by your guides as you relax riverside. Minimum of four people.

Custom Ride

Cost \$20 per person

Add a custom Ride on the Arkansas River for those who are looking for a smaller boat and less people. This option ups the ante and offers more whitewater thrills. Also good for groups that want a private boat or trip.

* Four to five people only per boat.



The Colorado River

Season April thru September

Experience the excitement and beauty of the state's namesake river. From fun float trips to pounding waterfalls, the Colorado has sections for everyone. All trips on the Colorado leave from Keystone Resort in Summit County. Please call for reservations.

Upper Colorado

Full & 1/2 Day Easy Class I & II

Departs Keystone @ 8:30am

Cost: \$79 Adult, \$69 Child (Full Day)

Cost: \$59 Adult, \$54 Child (1/2 Day)

This section of the Colorado is a gentle flowing river that is inviting to all ages. You'll encounter a few small rapids as the river winds through the Gore Range and Mountain Ranchland. If you want to get your heart racing, leap from Jump Rock or Little Jump Rock, perfect for all levels of bravery! There may even be time for a stop at some historical cabins along the river. This is a relaxing day with time to sunbathe, swim or just relax and enjoy the day. Hot Lunch is served riverside.

Upper Colorado Inflatable Kayaks

Easy Class I & II

Departs Keystone @ 8:30am

Cost: \$89 Adult, \$79 Child

Want a little extra excitement or independence on the river? Try our inflatable kayaks.



You can explore the beauty of the Upper Colorado while splashing through the riffles in your own stable, rubber kayak! A guide will accompany your group but you'll paddle your own boat. No experience required. Hot Lunch included.

Upper Colorado Self-Guided Rafting

Easy Class I & II

Departs Keystone @ 8:30am

Cost: \$59 Adult, \$49 Child



Our self-guided trips let you experience the thrill of paddling your own raft without a guide. We'll give your group paddles and let you take care of the rest. But don't worry, we'll send a guide along on another raft to assure your safety and carry your hot lunch! Recommended for those with previous paddling experience or for those looking for an additional challenge.

Gore Canyon

Advanced+ Class IV & V

Departs Keystone @ 8:30am

Cost: \$129 Adults Only



Colorado's ultimate challenge in commercial whitewater rafting is only for serious paddlers. This remote wilderness canyon on the Colorado River serves up the steepest gradient drop per mile, including a vertical waterfall. Excellent physical condition required. Availability is limited, depending on water flows. Season generally runs July-September. Call for details. Hot Lunch included.



EAGLE RIVER & CLEAR CREEK

Eagle River

Season May thru July

Located near Vail Colorado, the western slope begins here with log pole pines and aspen forests giving way to the sagebrush and junipers of the high desert. This river offers a variety of paddling for all levels of boating. The upper sections are technical with more continuous whitewater; the lower sections open up becoming more forgiving with the rapids spreading out.

Eagle River

Intermediate III

Departs Vail am/pm

Cost: \$69 Adult, \$59 Child

This is a beautiful mountain run, meandering through the valley floor. The rapids are spread out with plenty of time to enjoy the scenery. This trip is good for all ages, no physical condition required.

Clear Creek

Season May thru July

Clear Creek is located in an old mining valley in the Colorado Rockies. The average gradient of this river is 67 feet per mile—it's a steep, technical river that everyone will enjoy. It's proximity to Denver and Summit County make this thrilling section of whitewater easily accessible.

Clear Creek

Intermediate III

Depart Keystone am/pm

Cost: \$69 Adult, \$59 Child

This section offers continuous Class III whitewater filled with thrills and spills. Dress to get wet and have fun!

- Trip returns vary depending on water flows

Equipment

The quality of AVA's equipment is unsurpassed. Our WING and MARAVIA rafts are the performance vehicles for white-water descents. They are narrower, shorter and lighter than other brands, allowing a crew to more efficiently negotiate rapids with speed and agility. For your comfort, we fit guests in the newest-model Lotus life jackets, proclaimed to be the most comfortable type-5 jackets available. AVA always uses self-bailing rafts. On intermediate trips, you can choose to paddle as part of the crew in a boat captained by a guide, or to ride in an oar boat with the guide rowing through the rapids without your help. This option allows you to hang on with both hands. Oar boats are appropriate for small children, those with disabilities, and tentative first-time rafters.

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Your Guide



Our river guides are trained professionals and entertaining characters. There are storytellers, birders, amateur geologists, comics, and history

buffs ... Each one of our guides exemplifies knowledge, safety and friendship. If you have a great time on the river, remember your guide's name and request your new amigo the next time you go paddling.

Groups

Why should you choose AVA?

AVA always offers discounted rates for large groups. In addition, we are a helpful connection for you, answering all your vacation questions and helping to plan and make reservations for a variety of activities available at AVA or in the surrounding area. Whether it's a barbecue at our lodge, directions to our favorite hot spring or a comprehensive multi-day, multi-activity package, we will make it happen for you. We can set up transportation, meals and accommodations, plus many exciting events.



Fun Bus ***Lease our fun bus for the day!***

An exciting custom trip!!! Breakfast will be served on the ride to the river. beverages

and snacks will be provided for the return.

Team Building

The recreational activities we offer can be great team-building tools for students, athletic teams, corporations or other groups. Many of the activities we offer, like rafting and rock climbing, are excellent for improving communication, trust and problem solving

skills. Ask us how our group activities can most benefit your group.

- Details on bringing a group to AVA are provided in our Group Organizer Kit, available free by calling or requesting one through our website at www.coloradorafting.net

What to Bring

AVA provides all rafting equipment including Coast Guard-approved life jackets and helmets. Additional gear that is usually rented includes wetsuits, splash tops and booties for the feet. Water sandals that strap on are also good footwear, as are tennis shoes that can get wet. No flip-flops please. Swimsuits are usually worn underneath wetsuits. Bring a fleece or poly-propylene top or jacket, and leave cotton garments in your car to wear after the trip. Favorite baseball caps, jewelry and other valuables should be left in a safe place. Don't forget waterproof sunscreen, lip balm and some type of string to secure your sunglasses or prescription glasses. T-shirts, professional photographs and other mementos are available for purchase at AVA's lodge.

We reserve the right to change or substitute river sections at any time due to weather conditions and water levels. Please keep us informed of changes in your group so we can work with you. Children must have a parent-signed release.



Climb, Bike & Fish



Rock Climbing

Arkansas Valley Adventures offers rock climbing lessons and guided climbing trips. AVA provides half-day and full-day trips for the beginner, intermediate and expert climber. Our guides will teach you the basics of belaying, rappelling and setting anchors. Whether you want to learn more about the sport so you can do it on your own or you just want to try it for the first time and experience the thrill of climbing, our programs are perfect for you.

Half-Day Trip

Our half-day climbing trip is a great way to follow an early morning raft trip down our Class IV or V sections of river. After you have changed into your dry clothes, we set out for our afternoon climbing and rappelling adventure. This trip is a basic trip which will involve beginner or intermediate rock climbing and an introduction to rappelling.

Full-Day Trip

Many AVA guests stay at AVA's campground or cabins and enjoy a full day of rafting followed by a full day of rock climbing. These full day trips provide both climbing and rappelling instruction. Guests will have plenty of time to challenge themselves on multiple routes and difficulty levels.

Mountain Biking

Whether it's a scenic dirt road or technical single-track, the Colorado Rocky Mountains are a favorite for mountain bikers. On our mountain biking trips, you'll get superb views and a full day of exciting fun. We have trips to fit every age and ability.

Guided Fly Fishing

The Arkansas & Colorado Rivers have hundreds of miles of floatable water in Colorado, & boasts some fantastic fishing. You'll find plenty of variety, with endless riffles, runs, pools, undercutts, and overhanging brush. Most of the catch will consist of browns, with an occasional rainbow or cutthroat. Each day is different, and to make for the best possible trip your guide often waits until the last minute to decide your fishing location.

Guides

Our Guides are seasoned professionals, providing expert instruction and excellent angling opportunities. Guides exceed Colorado River guide requirements and have a lifetime of fishing experience. All anglers are welcome, from never-ever to advanced. We will cater to your needs, paying attention to detail, with finding fish in mind.

Fly fishing lesson with half-day wade

On the riverbank, our guide walks you through every step of the fly fishing experience.

Full day wade

This allows you and your guide to spend the whole day on the river. A catered shore lunch is provided. One can expect changes in weather, water levels, feeding patterns and hatches.

Trip Details

You meet us at AVA, where your guide will discuss equipment and give an extensive safety talk. You then progress to fishing strategies

including: casting, line management, trout habitat, entomology, fly selection, hooking, playing and landing fish.

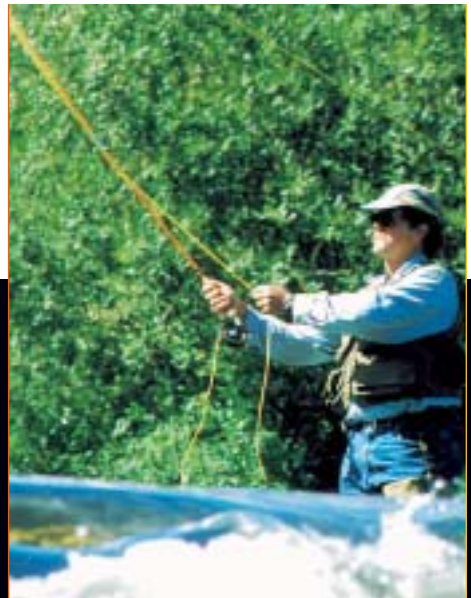
Don't Forget

- A Colorado State fishing license is required and should be purchased in advance.
- All of your guided trip destinations are determined daily by your personal guide, depending on weather, hatch patterns and water levels. Many of our guides have their own secret spots where they like to fish, so sometimes we don't know where you'll be going until the last minute!
- Catch and release is practiced to ensure a healthy trout population for generations to come.
- Colorado's weather conditions change frequently and rapidly so be prepared with your camera, water, hat, sunglasses, sunscreen and rain gear.
- To ensure availability of trips, we recommend booking as far in advance as possible. Walk-ins are welcome but not guaranteed.

Hi Duke, Deanna, Heather and All!

"I just remember those names, plus our AWESOME River guide Keith. Our family had some of the most fun we've ever had at your facility. The cabins were perfect. Sydney, one of our 12-year twins, fell in love the minute she walked into it."

Rick Lewis

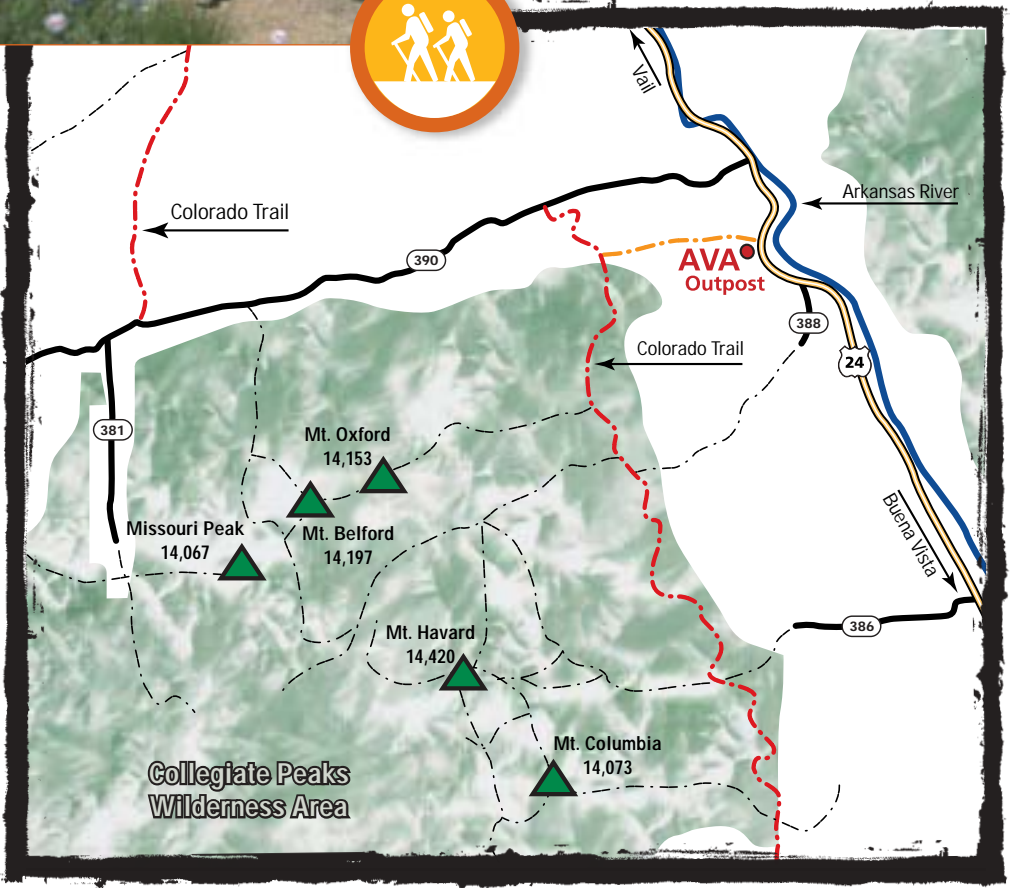


Hiking 14,000



Hiking

AVA is located in the heart of the highest peaks in Colorado. The Sawatch Range has the most fourteeners with fifteen in its range. It also boasts four of the five highest peaks in Colorado. The Sawatch Range's 14,000-foot peaks offer hikers amazing alpine challenges in the Rocky Mountains. Climbing a fourteener has become popular and the challenge of climbing a fourteener will capture you. Standing on top a 14,000-foot Mountain, looking as far as the eye can see is an accomplishment never to be forgotten. An adventure is waiting for you in Colorado's Rocky Mountains! AVA is excited to help you with your journey to the top of the mountain. We can offer lodging, provisions, advice, maps and gear for your trip.



Stay & Play

Accommodations

Keystone

Looking for a World-Class Resort?

Keystone has two mountain villages with lodging, shopping, restaurants, Swimming pools, two golf courses, horseback riding, activities, events and much more. This self contained resort is the perfect place for a great vacation or weekend away, family reunion, wedding or conference. For reservations call: 877.753.9786 or go to www.keystoneressort.com



AVA Outpost Cabins

Our five genuine log cabins are set along a creek and sleep four to five guests. Our location is just outside of Granite Colorado. All are appointed with log furniture, quality mattresses and hard-wood floors. Three cabins have



kitchenettes. Picnic tables and propane grills are provided for barbecues.

- Starting @ \$75 For double occupancy (Per Night)
- \$5 Per additional person up to 4 people (Per Night)

AVA Outpost Camping

Ten walk-in campsites at our outpost are nestled on a hillside with flat sand foundations for your tent. In addition, we have picnic tables, designated fire pits, shower and toilet facilities. Firewood not included.

- \$8 Per Person (Per Night)

Monthly Specials

May – Moms RAFT FREE with the family on Mother's Day

June – 1 night FREE CAMPING for full day rafters. Sunday through Thursday all month long

Dads raft free with the family on Father's Day

August – 1 night FREE CAMPING for full day rafters Sunday through Thursday all month long

Recreation/Lodging Specials

Cabins:

- 10% discount for people enjoying a full day of activities and two-night stay with AVA.

Camping:

- Two full days of recreation include two nights of free camping
- Three full days of recreation include three nights of free camping.

**Weekdays only. Space is limited. Please call in advance.*

Video Your Trip

At your request, AVA can create a video of your full-day river trip. It will be captured digitally and set to music by a professional videographer, who will accompany your rafting trip (in a kayak) and film your crew negotiating the rapids. Upon returning to AVA's lodge, the video will be played on a big-screen TV in stereo. It's a fun way to end your river adventure. Availability not guaranteed.

Reservations

- AVA Adventures are generally available 7 days a week, May through October.
- Walk-ins and short-notice trips are welcome, however we recommend reservations to guarantee space.
- Call 1-800-370-0581 or 1-877-RAFTING.
In the Buena Vista area, call 719-486.2827.
- Online at www.coloradorafting.net
- A 50% deposit is required to reserve space on trips, with the balance of payment due 3 days prior to departure.
- For large groups (10 or more people), the balance of payment is due 14 days prior to departure.
- Trip cancellation insurance available.
- Please add a 5.25% federal use fee charged by the Dept. of Parks & Recreation.
- Optional rental equipment and guide gratuities are not included in the trip price.
- Children 12 and under receive reduced prices; minimum age varies with water levels and river conditions.



Cancellations

- Cancellations are made prior to 14 days before the trip, money will be refunded less a 10% service charge. If cancellations are made within 14 days and outside of 2 days before the trip, money will be refunded by 50%.
- Cancellations made within 48 hours of the trip are not refundable.
- For large groups, cancellations made within 7 days of the trip are not refundable. Please keep us informed of changes in your group so we can work with you.
- We reserve the right to change or substitute river sections at any time due to weather conditions and water levels.

Trip Cancellation Insurance

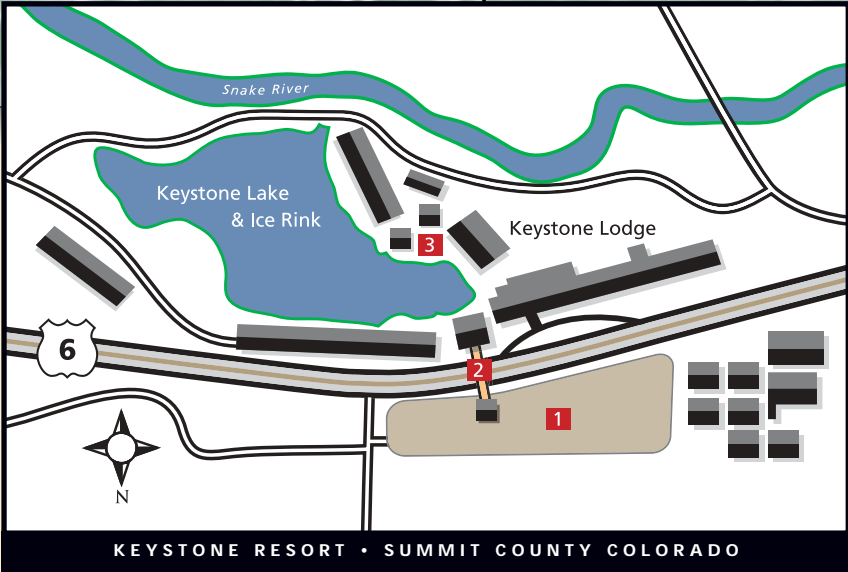
For a small fee you may purchase trip cancellation insurance.

- Cancel up to 12 hours from trip departure and receive a 90% refund.
- Cancel within 12 hours from trip departure and receive a trip voucher valid for one year.

Responsibility

AVA strives to provide a safe and enjoyable trip; however, outdoor adventure activities involve a degree of risk. We require all participants to read and sign a liability release. Any guest under the age of 18 must have a liability release signed by a parent before engaging in any AVA activity. Guests should honestly and accurately evaluate their own fitness levels for any given trip. We reserve the right to refuse service to anyone.

Saturday was amazing- Chris and I had an absolute blast! You guys run a great business with a great staff! I will most certainly let as many people as I can know all about AVA! Hope to join you again, Soon! Huge thanks-
Robin Marcus



AVA Outpost

- 12 miles north of Buena Vista
- West side of Hwy 24 North
- 40671 Hwy 24, Buena Vista

AVA Keystone Resort

- From Denver travel West on Interstate 70
- Exit at the Silverthorne/ Dillon Exit #205.
- At the end of the exit ramp turn left (East) at the stop light onto Highway 6
- Travel 6.2 miles into Keystone Resort.

- 1** Parking Lot
- 2** Underground Walkway
- 3** Keystone Adventure Center, Meet AVA here

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