

## White Salmon River Trip ~ Class III-IV

Thank you for choosing River Drifters to provide you with a journey down one of the Northwest's' most exciting rivers! Please read the following information and use it as a guide to prepare for your trip. If at anytime, you have further questions, we urge you to look at our website ([www.whitesalmonriver.com](http://www.whitesalmonriver.com)) or give us a Call.

Your adventure on the White Salmon River will include some very exciting class III-IV rapids. You will be traveling through a beautiful gorge that is heavily forested and dotted with lichen, ferns and trees. The crystal clear water churns gently before charging its way through big & bouncy rapids filled with many large waves and holes. With rapid like Maytag, Corner Cave, Grasshopper, Siwash, Corkscrew, Waterspout, Stairstep, Highway Hole, Rattlesnake, Deadmans' Corner (and many more), you will absolutely love this trip! Starting mid-Summer, when water levels allow, this trip will expand to include an extra 2.5 miles of class IV whitewater with a portage around BZ Falls and concluding with and optional 10 plunge over Husum Falls!



### Trip Outline:

AM	PM	
9:30	2:30	~ Check-in
9:45	2:45	~ Wetsuits
10:00	3:00	~ Shuttle
10:15	3:15	~ Hit the H2O
1:15	6:00	~ At take-out

### What We Provide

- ✓ Wetsuit
- ✓ Life Vest (PFD)
- ✓ Helmet
- ✓ Booties

### Your Responsibility:

- ✓ Shorts and T-shirt (non-cotton)
- ✓ Long Underwear, uderarmor type, fleece (in Cooler Weather)
- ✓ Wool/Fleece Hat (Cooler Weather)
- ✓ Change of Clothes for Ride Home

**Meeting Times: 9:30AM OR 2:30PM ~ Very Important that you are on time. (We do not and cannot refund any monies for Late parties)**

**Meeting Location: 856 HWY 141, White Salmon, WA. 98672**

**GPS Waypoints: 45.79651, -121.48468 \*\*\*VERY IMPORTANT YOU FOLLOW OUR DIRECTIONS FOR 2010, if not, a possible 2 hour construction delay on our traditional route. Below is the newly recommended route for 2010.\*\***



**Driving Directions ~ Updated 2010 w/Construction Detour**

From **Portland/Vancouver** (Roughly 90 minutes)

Travel **East** on I-84 towards Hood River. Take **exit #64** to White Salmon, cross the bridge (don't forget toll bridge money). Turn **RIGHT** at the light and travel for 1.3 miles on Hwy. 14 (into town of Bingen) and take a **LEFT** on **HWY 141/OAK St.** Travel 8.6 miles on HWY 141 (road does become curvy, do not take any turns off HWY 141). You will see a Golf Course on your **RIGHT**, we are 100 yards past the golf course on the **RIGHT**. **If** you cross the White Salmon River you have gone too far!

From **Tri-Cities** and East (Roughly 2.5 hours)

Travel **South** on I-82 towards Umatilla/Hermiston. Take Exit onto I-84 **WEST** and travel west towards Portland. Take **exit # 64** to White Salmon, cross the bridge (don't forget toll bridge money). Turn **RIGHT** at the light and travel for 1.3 miles on Hwy. 14 (into town of Bingen) and take a **LEFT** on **HWY 141/OAK St.** Travel 8.6 miles on HWY 141 (road does become curvy, do not take any turns off HWY 141). You will see a Golf Course on your **RIGHT**, we are 100 yards past the golf course on the **RIGHT**. **If** you cross the White Salmon River you have gone too far!

From Government Camp/Mt. Hood Area (Roughly 60 minutes)

Heading **East** on HWY 26 from Government Camp, travel 2.1 miles and take **HWY 35 NORTH**. Travel North 39 miles to Hood River, you will reach a 4-way intersection, go straight (towards the big green toll bridge), after .3 miles take a left towards toll bridge (**DO NOT ENTER** the FREEWAY). Cross the toll bridge (don't forget toll bridge money). Turn **RIGHT** at the light and travel for 1.3 miles on Hwy. 14 (into town of Bingen) and take a **LEFT** on **HWY 141/OAK St.** Travel 8.6 miles on HWY 141 (road does become curvy, do not take any turns off HWY 141). You will see a Golf Course on your **RIGHT**, we are 100 yards past the golf course on the **RIGHT**. **If** you cross the White Salmon River you have gone too far!

**Local Accommodations:**

Skamania Lodge 800-221-7117

Shilo Inn (541) 308-1000

Comfort Suites (541) 308-100

Best Western 800-828-7873

**Local Camping:**[Peterson Prairie](#) (follow link)

Type "Camping near Husum, WA" into Google search

Please visit our Gorge camping guide for a more complete listing at [www.riverdrifters.net/gorgecamping.htm](http://www.riverdrifters.net/gorgecamping.htm)

For a more complete listing of local accommodations please visit [www.riverdrifters.net/gorge lodging.ht](http://www.riverdrifters.net/gorge lodging.ht)