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Group Tour Information for Wildwater Ltd.

Nantahala River Adventure Center

The Nantahala River, located in beautiful Nantahala National Forest, is one of America's favorite outdoor playgrounds. Our ideal location at the edge of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, just a short distance from Cherokee and Bryson City, NC, makes the Nantahala River a great group tour option.

We offer group tours:

- A step-on greeting
- Free parking
- A discounted rate for groups of 10 ppl or more
- A picnic area for lunch and snack breaks, optional lunch available
- Activities open Spring through Thanksgiving
- Hot showers and changing rooms
- 1 ½ hours from Asheville, NC, 30 minutes from Cherokee, NC, 45 minutes from Maggie Valley, NC

Guided Whitewater Rafting Trip

Eight miles of clear water, constant waves and swift currents make the Nantahala River a delight for all ages and groups interested in an exhilarating introduction to whitewater rafting. The trip takes over 3 hours and contains numerous class I and II rapids, with a class III at the end. Since the Nantahala River is a dam-controlled river, one can expect good water flows at all times of the year.

- Fully guided trips with 6 guests per raft
- Half-day trip: 3 hours (2 hours on river)
- Minimum age and weight: ages 7 and up or 60 lbs.
- Difficulty level: Class I, II & III rapids create a fun, splashy, bumpy trip in the scenic Nantahala Gorge. This river with small bumpy rapids are great for a beginner paddler.
- Waivers are required.

Group rates for 10 ppl or more: \$44.95 per person

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Raft & Rail with the Great Smoky Mountains Railroad

Spend a beautiful day in the Nantahala Gorge with Wildwater and the Great Smoky Mountains Railroad. You'll begin your trip in Bryson City, NC at the train depot, with a 2 hour railroad excursion including crossing the Fontana Lake Trestle and into the Nantahala Gorge. As you travel on the train beside the Nantahala River, enjoy a BBQ sandwich lunch while you watch paddlers challenge the rapids you will soon be rafting.

At the top-of-the-line, you will disembark the train. Then Wildwater will give your group a paddling orientation. Soon after, you will start your 8-mile guided rafting trip down the entire 8 miles of the Nantahala River.

- Fully guided trips with 6 guests per raft
- Total trip time: 7 hours
- Minimum age and weight: ages 7 and up or 60 lbs.
- Difficulty level: Class I, II & III rapids create a fun, splashy, bumpy trip in the scenic Nantahala Gorge. This river with small bumpy rapids are great for a beginner paddler.
- Waivers are required.

Group rates for 10 ppl or more: \$82.80 per youth, \$98.71 per adult

Nantahala Gorge Canopy Tours

Nantahala Gorge Canopy Tours offers 13 different zip lines and 8 bridges with views of Clingman's Dome, Fontana Lake and waterfalls. Soar out to the point for the highest platform, then on to the highest tree with unbelievable views. One more zip takes you to a bridge and the final 2 zips. A zipline canopy tour is a soaring and gliding experience naturally fueled by a gradual elevation change. More than a zip line ride, NGCT takes you through multiple ecosystems, past hemlocks, into hardwoods and through a deciduous forest packed with native flowering plants such as mountain laurel, dogwood, rhododendron, giant Frazier magnolia, rare umbrella magnolia, silver bells and many more.

- Training and practice on easier ziplines first – Ground School
- 13 zipline sections, the longest and most exciting in Nantahala Gorge
- Over 20 scenic acres alternating between slope side, trees and elevated platforms
- 8 aerial, swinging bridges; 4 tandem zips
- Soar over 1 mile with mountain views, waterfall views & view of Fontana Lake
- Must be 10 or older; 70 pounds minimum and 250 pounds maximum
- Trip length: 3 hrs.
- Waivers are required
- While zipping is not a strenuous activity, you do have to be able to climb the stairs of our zipping towers. The speed of the guest is manually controlled, therefore every guest participates in ground school and on our "practice" ziplines.

Group rates for 10 ppl or more: \$77 per person

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