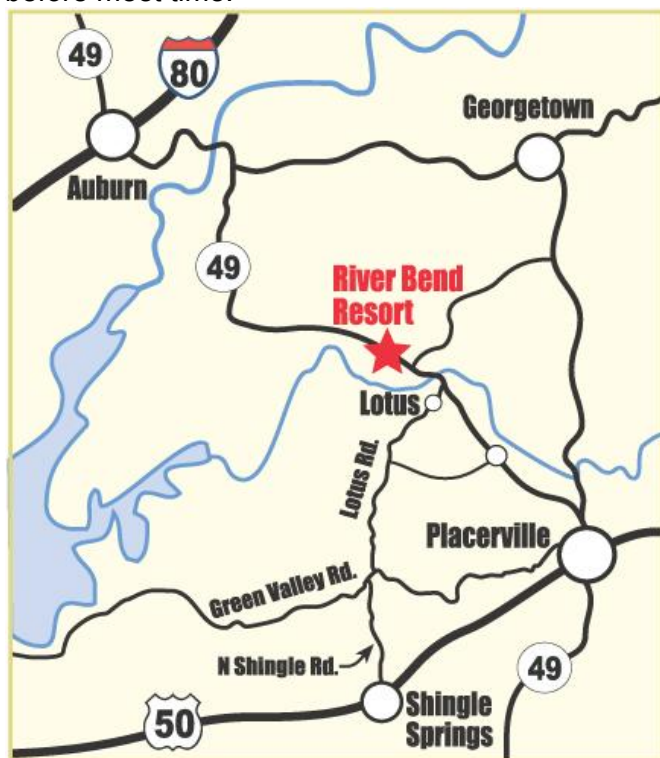


Maps and Meeting Location for South Fork American River:

MEETING TIME: 8:45 AM (Please be on time as the bus departs promptly for the put-in)

Rivers Bend Resort, located at 6400 Hwy 49, Lotus CA 95651 (GPS: N 38° 49.415' W 120° 56.221'. At the entrance to Rivers Bend Resort, there is a sign for Tributary, ARR, and River & Rock Adventures. Make an immediate right down the first driveway and park in the large gravel parking area. Space is limited, so please be considerate in parking your vehicle. Our staff is usually in the parking area about 10 mins before meet time.



From Sacramento/Bay Area: Take Highway 50 East from Sacramento towards S. Lake Tahoe and take the Ponderosa Rd/Shingle Springs exit #37. Turn left at stop sign onto Ponderosa Road and cross over Highway 50. Make an immediate right on North Shingle Road (sign to Coloma). After approx. 4.5 miles, there is a slight left and you are now on Lotus Road. Follow Lotus Road for 7 miles, through village of Lotus to Highway 49. Turn left on Hwy. 49, across the bridge over the river. Follow Hwy 49 north from bridge towards Auburn, and after 2+ miles turn left into Rivers Bend Resort (watch out for power lines crossing highway). If you see Motherlode Camp you have gone too far.

From South Lake Tahoe: Take Highway 50 west towards Sacramento to Placerville (approx. 65 miles from So Lake Tahoe/Stateline) and take Highway 49 exit north towards Coloma/Auburn. Follow directions below from Placerville.

From Hwy 49, heading north (from Yosemite): Take Highway 49 north through Placerville and continue on Hwy 49 towards Coloma and Auburn. Follow directions below from Placerville.

From Placerville: Follow Hwy. 49 past the Marshall Gold Historic State Park in Coloma and across the bridge over the river. Continue on Hwy 49 north towards Auburn, and after 2+ miles turn left into Rivers Bend Resort.

From Roseville/Rocklin: Take I80 east towards Reno to Auburn and take Hwy. 49 exit south. Then follow directions below from Auburn.

From North Lake Tahoe/Reno: Take I80 west towards Sacramento/San Francisco to Auburn and take Hwy. 49 exit south towards Placerville. Then follow directions below from Auburn.

From Auburn: Take Hwy. 49 heading south towards Placerville. Carefully follow signs for Hwy 49 south through the town of Auburn. The road drops sharply down the American River Canyon, and after a few miles reaches the bottom of the canyon, and Hwy. 49 turns sharp right across a bridge over the river. Hwy 49 winds back up the canyon, and continues through the small village of Cool. Exactly 8.2 miles from the four-way stoplight in Cool, turn right into Rivers Bend Resort.

SEE OVER FOR LOCATION MAP & AREA INFORMATION

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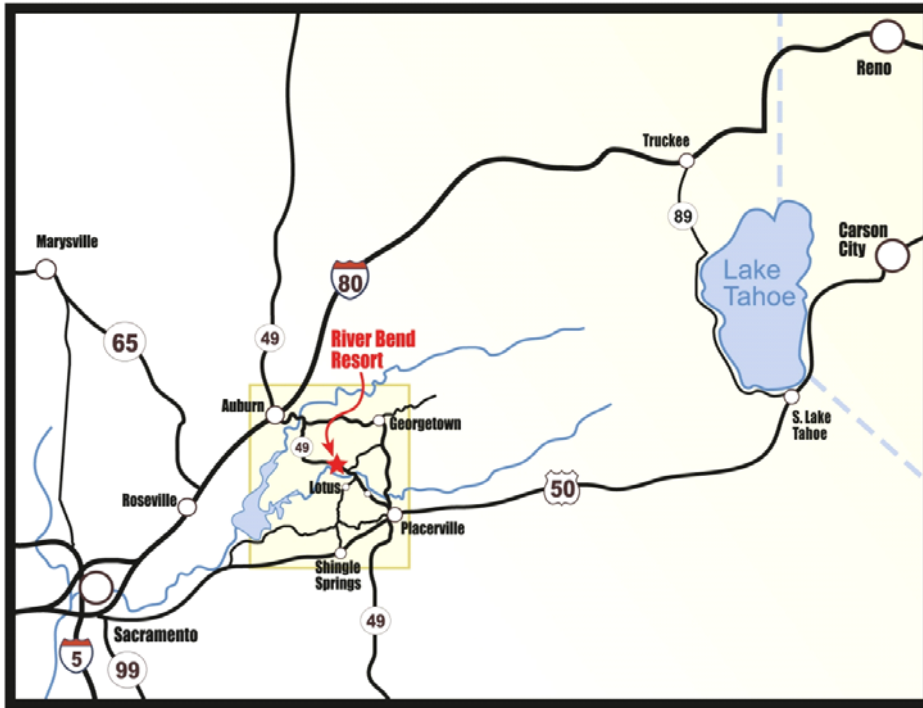
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South Fork American River Area Information and Location Map



Distances/times for travel:

15 mins/12 miles N. of Placerville
20 mins/15 miles S. of Auburn
1 hr/53 miles E. of Sacramento
45 mins/31 miles E of Roseville
45 mins/32 miles E of Folsom
1.5 hrs/82 miles SW of Truckee
1.75 hrs/98 miles N. of Stockton
1.75 hrs/72 miles W of S. Lake Tahoe
<2 hrs/114 miles SW. of Reno
<2 hours/105 miles NE of Napa
2 hrs/113 miles NE of Sonoma
2 hrs/115 miles SE of Chico
2.25 hrs/134 miles NE of Sn Francisco
3 hrs/165 miles NE of San Jose
4+ hrs/152 miles NW of El Portal in Yosemite

Please allow extra time during busy holiday periods

Camping:

Rivers Bend Resort.

Private area for meeting/camping for all Tributary Whitewater's South Fork American River trips. Overnight trip clients have priority, but we can usually accommodate day rafters. On-river site for 50+ guests. Facilities include hot showers, flush toilets, volleyball, horseshoes and night-time photo viewing. Call 800-672-3846 for trip and camping reservations. Sorry, no pets. Dog day care and overnight stays available at Dog-woodsresort.

If you would prefer a private site or want your pet with you, camping in the immediate area is available at the following:

Coloma Resort 530-621-2267
(allows pets).

Camp Lotus 530-622-8672, no dogs.

American River Resort 530-622-6700
(allows dogs if leashed)

Folsom Lake Recreation Area
916-988-0205. Group and individual camp sites around lake. Hiking, biking, boating.
www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=500

Hiking Trails: south-fork-american-river-hiking

Hotels/Motels/Bed & Breakfast:

Accommodations in Coloma, Georgetown and Placerville are close-by.

www.eldoradocounty.org/lodging.html and
www.visit-eldorado.com/hotel.asp and
www.goldcountrylodging.com (B&B's).

Other Visitor Information:

Historic villages, antiques, museums, wineries and gold mine relics. Fishing, swimming, biking, gold panning & boating on the river or lakes. Balloon flights over the American River canyon.

Coloma-Lotus Chamber of Commerce.

www.coloma.com

Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park,

Coloma. 530-622-3470. Exhibits, museum, interpretive programs, guided tours, trails, picnic area, river access.
www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=484

American River Conservancy Nature Center,

Coloma, 530-621-1224. Located within Marshall Gold Discovery Park. Exhibits, guided tours. www.arconservancy.org

HistoricHwy49.com.

www.HistoricHwy49.com

Local wineries & tours

www.eldoradowines.org

What Should I Bring?

Tributary provides specialized rafting items you will need on the river such as life jackets, paddles, and helmets (for all Class 4 & 5 raft trips and some Class 3 trips). The lists below are check lists of things you should bring yourself. Some of these may be available from us for rent (eg. wetsuits, paddle jackets, tents, sleeping bags and pads). Advance reservations are required. Call for availability and pricing.

Denim jeans and heavy cotton are never appropriate on the river as the fabric retains water and loses insulation. Also avoid anything that may hamper your movement in the water. Prepare to get wet!!

Bring dry clothes and shoes for your drive home, and plastic bags to carry wet things. Also bring spares of anything you need to get home (eg. Keys, glasses or contacts).

Do not bring pets, too many valuables or too much gear. Lock any valuables in your car and do not bring cell phones, keys or wallets on the river. We are not responsible for damage to, or the loss/theft of any personal gear from our vehicles, on the river or in camp. So please travel light and have travel insurance or household insurance that covers your property when away from home.

Summer Rafting

(usually late May-Sept):

In summer, the prime concern is sun protection and waterproof sunscreen with a high SPF may be sufficient. Sunglasses and a wide brimmed hat or visor are also desirable. For more protection, carry a shirt and long pants. It's a good idea to have something extra to put on in case of a sudden change in the weather.

- Swim Suit
- Hat with tether
- Sunglasses (with tether) or visor
- Shorts (quick dry)
- Waterproof sun screen with high SPF
- Old tennis shoes or strap on sandals
- Towel
- Lip balm
- Optional:
 - Socks
 - Shirt
 - Long pants (quick dry)

Spring or Fall Rafting

(usually before mid-May and after mid-Sept):

You need to be prepared for cold air temperatures and cold water. You should plan on wearing fabrics that are fast drying (e.g. nylon, polyester etc.) and/or that retain warmth when wet (e.g. nylon fleece, wool, polypropylene). Avoid all cotton.

- Swim suit
- Wetsuit, 3mm farmer john or dry suit
- Paddle jacket or waterproof jacket
- Fleece/polypro top or wool sweater
- Old tennis shoes or wetsuit booties (with sturdy sole)
- Wool, polypro, or wetsuit socks
- Sunglasses (with tether)
- Optional:
 - Wool hat and tether
 - Extra wool sweater
 - Polypro or wool gloves
 - Oversized rubber gloves

Camping Equipment:

- Sleeping Bag
- Pad or air mattress
- Tent and/or ground cloth
- Comfortable shoes
- Towel
- Toothbrush and paste
- Sunglasses
- Flashlight (plus spare batteries/bulb)
- Camera (and film if needed)
- Jacket
- Long pants
- Shirts
- Rain Gear
- Soap (biodegradable)
- Shampoo (biodegradable)
- Socks
- Underwear
- Sun screen
- Insect repellent

If you are not on a multi-day trip with Tributary, remember your cooking gear and utensils. We can arrange for a barbeque to be available at some locations, but bring your own coolers, ice, charcoal and stove if needed.

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RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT

This is a release. Read it carefully before signing. This release essentially states that I know I am going on a whitewater rafting trip in a wilderness/outdoor environment. As a result of the inherent risks in this activity, I know I may die, get hurt, or damage my belongings. If any of these occur, I understand that I cannot make a claim, sue, or expect **Tributary Whitewater Tours LLC**, its owners, officers, agents, employees, other participants and associates including the State of California, its Dept. of Parks & Recreation, the US Bureau of Reclamation, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Placer County Water Agency and the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (hereinafter referred to collectively as **Tributary Whitewater Tours**) to be legally responsible or pay for any damages.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF RISKS: I, the undersigned, hereby acknowledge that I have voluntarily chosen to go on this whitewater rafting trip with **Tributary Whitewater Tours**. Certain risks are inherent in any recreational activity and cannot be eliminated, altered, or controlled, and these risks that contribute to the unique character of the activity can also be the cause of injury illness, death, and damages. I know and fully understand that a whitewater rafting trip, whether on a raft, oar boat, kayak, or any other type of vessel, is an outdoor adventure activity in wilderness environment with inherent risks and hazards where serious accidents can occur, participants can die, sustain injuries and property damage. Also, I understand that **Class IV and V** represent the most difficult and dangerous levels of whitewater and recognize that the risks associated with whitewater rafting are greatly increased.

I acknowledge and willingly assume all risks and hazards in whitewater rafting and river-related camping from the pre-embarkation rendezvous until the conclusion of the trip, including, but not limited to, (1) loss of control of the raft, falls in, out, or about the raft, collision with other participants, equipment, other rafts, rocks, trees, and any portion of the interior of the raft, and any other man-made or natural obstacles, whether obvious or not; (2) judgment, decision-making and conduct of the guides; (3) submersion in water, drowning; (4) encounters with animals, wildlife and insects; (5) exposure to wilderness environment, extreme temperatures, and inclement weather, remote areas, wilderness terrain, including, travel by foot or vehicle in any way related to this activity, whether at camp or elsewhere; (6) assistance in lifting and/or carrying rafting equipment; (7) rescue-related injuries; and (8) unavailability of immediate and appropriate medical attention in case of injury.

I further understand and acknowledge that **Tributary Whitewater Tours** provides foot cups in some of its boats to assist participants in stabilizing themselves. The use of foot cups may present an increased risk of knee, ankle, or other injuries because of their restrictive nature. **Use of foot cups is totally voluntary. I also understand and acknowledge that the above list is not complete or exhaustive, and that other risks, known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, may also exist and result in injury, illness, disease, death or damage. My participation in this activity is purely voluntary and I elect to do so at my own risk.**

RELEASE: In consideration for **Tributary Whitewater Tours** allowing me to participate on this trip, I voluntarily agree to release, discharge, and hold harmless **Tributary Whitewater Tours** for any and all claims of liability arising out of their negligence, fault, recklessness, or any other act or omission which causes the undersigned illness, injury, disease, death, and damages of any nature in any way connected with my participation in this rafting activity. I also expressly agree to release and discharge **Tributary Whitewater Tours** from any act or omission of negligence in rendering or failing to render any type of rescue, emergency or medical services. **In signing this document, I fully recognize and understand that if I (or any minor on whose behalf I am signing this release) am hurt, die, or my property is damaged, I am giving up my right to make a claim or file a lawsuit against Tributary Whitewater Tours, even if they negligently or by some other act or omission cause the injury or damage.**

I further agree, to hold harmless, defend, and indemnify **Tributary Whitewater Tours** from all defense costs, including attorney's fees incurred in connection with claims for bodily injury, wrongful death, or property damage, sustained by any minor on whose behalf I am signing under 18 years of age, or which I may have caused to spectators or other third parties, whether negligent or not, in the course of my participation in this activity.

As parent or legal guardian of a participant under 18 years of age, I have read and voluntarily agree that said minor may participate in this whitewater rafting trip, and I sign this release on their behalf and on the behalf of the minor's parents and/or legal guardians. In addition, I give **Tributary Whitewater Tours** permission to treat said minor in case of illness, injury, emergency or accident. Should emergency medical services become necessary, for the undersigned participant or minor, the expenses are sole responsibility of the participant and not that of **Tributary Whitewater Tours**. **Personal medical and travel insurance is strongly advised for all participants.**

Tributary Whitewater Tours reserves the right to accept or deny service to any person. I hereby agree to follow all rules, regulations, and instructions of **Tributary Whitewater Tours** while on this trip. I also certify that I and any minor whose behalf I am signing, are physically and mentally capable of participation in these activities. I hereby represent that I have informed **Tributary Whitewater Tours** of any pertinent medical conditions that may affect my or the minor's participation in these rafting activities. I hereby agree that **Tributary Whitewater Tours** may use film or photographic records of this rafting trip for its promotional and/or commercial purposes. The venue of any dispute that may arise out of this agreement or otherwise between the parties to which **Tributary Whitewater Tours** or its agents is a party shall be either the City of Grass Valley, California Justice Court or the County or State Supreme Court in Nevada County.

I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY. I UNDERSTAND THAT I AM ASSUMING ALL THE RISKS INHERENT IN THIS WHITEWATER RAFTING ACTIVITY. I UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS A RELEASE OF ANY AND ALL CLAIMS. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNDERSIGNED AND Tributary Whitewater Tours, THEIR OWNERS, OFFICERS, AGENTS, AND EMPLOYEES, AND THAT IT CANNOT BE MODIFIED OR CHANGED IN ANY WAY BY THE REPRESENTATIONS OR STATEMENTS BY Tributary Whitewater Tours OR BY THE UNDERSIGNED. I VOLUNTARILY SIGN MY NAME AS EVIDENCE OF MY ACCEPTANCE OF ALL THE PROVISIONS IN THIS RELEASE AND MY AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND BY THEM.

Name: _____ Date(s) of Trip: _____ River: _____

Please Print Clearly

Address: _____ Group Name: _____

City, State: _____ Zip _____ Date: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Signature: _____ Youth Age: _____
(Sign ature of Legal Guardian if Participant is Under 18 Years of Age)

Please complete and either mail to be received prior to trip or bring completed form(s) with you. PLEASE DO NOT FAX. Thank You.