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RIVER TRIP LAUNCH CALENDAR

Five separate river trip calendars are available

- 1) Lees Ferry launch calendar
- 2) Phantom Ranch exchange calendar
- 3) Whitmore exchange calendar
- 4) Diamond Creek takeout calendar
- 5) Pearce Ferry takeout calendar

These calendars list the tentative launch schedules for all commercial, noncommercial, research, and National Park Service administrative trips. Patrol trips are not included. The calendars are posted to the park website (www.nps.gov/grca/parkmgmt/riv_mgt.htm) approximately one month in advance. Once posted, the calendars are not updated. Some minor trip changes may occur after the calendars have been posted.

How to read the calendars

Each river trip is labeled on the calendar according to its planned schedule. The first abbreviation represents the name of the company or type of trip. The second number represents the maximum number of passengers at any given time (including crew). The final series of numbers and letters reflect the trip's planned schedule. All trips launch from Lees Ferry. Trips launching from Diamond Creek are not included.

Abbreviations

Type of Trip/Company Names

PRIV = Private Noncommercial Trip
GCMRC = GCMRC Research Trip
ARIZ = Arizona River Runners
CANY = Canyoneers
GCDY = Grand Canyon Discovery
HATC = Hatch River Expeditions
RAFT = Grand Canyon Raft Adventures
WILD = Wilderness River Adventures

RSH = Research Trip
TRAN = Commercial Training Trip
AZRA = Arizona Raft Adventures
COLO = CO River and Trail Expeditions
GCEX = Grand Canyon Expeditions
OARS = O.A.R.S. Grand Canyon
TOUR = Tour West

GRCA = NPS trip
ADMN = Administrative Trip Other
CAEX = Canyon Explorations
EXPD = Canyon Expeditions
GCW = Grand Canyon Whitewater
OUTD = Outdoors Unlimited
WEST = Western River Expeditions

Location

P = Phantom Ranch
J = Jet boat

W = Whitmore Helipad
L = Lake Mead (Pearce Ferry)

D = Diamond Creek
> = "Deadhead" (equipment/crew only)

Examples

- PRIV 15 9P 12D 3L A planned maximum of 15 participants, 9 days to Phantom Ranch, 12 more days to Diamond Creek, 3 more days to Lake Mead to take out.
- WEST 28 6W 3J >L 28 participants, 6 days to Whitmore Helipad, 3 days to off-load passengers by jet boat, the crew and equipment will continue to Lake Mead.
- GCEX 20 10D 20 participants, 10 days to Diamond Creek.

Lees Ferry Launch Calendar

The Lees Ferry launch calendar lists all trips by their launch dates. The launch schedule will mirror the launch schedule in Appendix B of the 2006 Colorado River Management Plan (CRMP) with two exceptions. First, additional administrative trips may be listed on the calendar. Administrative trips are always additional trips and never displace recreational trips. Second, some commercial trip slots may not be utilized – when earlier trips use up a company’s total user-day allocation for a season, additional trips may not be launched by that concessionaire. The number of days that trips can spend on each segment of the river above Diamond Creek are not dictated by the CRMP; only total trip lengths are restricted and vary by the season within which the launch occurs. For detailed information, see the Commercial Operating Requirements and the Noncommercial River Trip Regulations.

Phantom Ranch Exchange Calendar

This calendar includes commercial trips that have scheduled a passenger exchange at Phantom Ranch and all noncommercial (PRIV) trips whether they are exchanging or not. Noncommercial trips are allowed to modify their exchange schedule up to and including the day of launch.

There are few river camps in the stretch of river between Hance Rapids and Phantom Ranch. If you are not planning to exchange passengers, standard river courtesy calls for selection of camps outside this area. Use of the two camps at Cremation Camp, river mile 87, is restricted to those trips who will be exchanging passengers the following day. If your trip is not exchanging passengers in the vicinity of Phantom Ranch, do not plan to use Cremation Camp. If you are exchanging passengers and the calendar indicates there may be more than two trips doing so the same day as you, expect that Cremation Camp may be full and camp upstream. Courteous communication with other trips on the water can help reduce congestion in the Phantom Ranch area.

Whitmore Wash Exchange Calendar

Some commercial trips use a helicopter service to fly out or exchange passengers at Whitmore Wash, river mile 187. Helicopter flights are restricted to the hours before 10:00 a.m. except on days with four or more exchanges. The Whitmore schedule is included to assist those who wish to minimize their exposure to over flight noise or congestion.

Diamond Creek Takeout Calendar

The Diamond Creek calendar includes all trips that indicate that some portion of their equipment and/or passengers will be utilizing the Diamond Creek takeout.

Due to low water levels and increased numbers of launches, congestion has increased at Diamond Creek. Communication and cooperation among all launch ramp users is essential. The Hualapai Tribe has requested that groups not de-rig at the launch ramp between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. If the schedule indicates that several other trips will be taking out the same day as you, try to expedite your takeout and use as little space on the ramp as possible.

Pearce Ferry Takeout Calendar

The Pearce Ferry calendar includes all trips that indicate that some portion of their equipment and/or passengers will be utilizing the Pearce Ferry takeout. The calendar does not include river trips managed by the Hualapai Tribe.

Lees Ferry Launches for July 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 PRIV 16 4P 4D 1L GCW 18 6P8D>L WEST 28 7W3J>L WEST 11 6W>L WEST 29 6W3J>L	2 GCEX 14 8J>L GCEX 14 8J>L HATC 16 7W>L	3 GCEX 7 8J>L RAFT 12 8D	4 COLO 28 8L GCEX 15 8J>L GCW 22 7W>L
5 PRIV 16 6P 8D 3L CANY 15 3P5D>L CANY 10 7D>L HATC 22 7W>L	6 ARIZ 25 6W2J>L HATC 4 4P4W>L OUTD 18 5P9L TOUR 4 6W3J>L	7 PRIV 8 6P 7D 1L PRIV 16 8P 8D 2L ARIZ 22 7W2J>L WEST 15 6W3J>L WEST 32 6W3J>L	8 PRIV 14 6P 10D 2L CAEX 19 15D GCW 22 8D>L WEST 32 6W3J>L WEST 19 6W3J>L	9 GCEX 21 8J>L HATC 16 7W>L WILD 28 7W>L	10 AZRA 15 6P9D COLO 14 8L GCEX 18 8J>L WILD 28 6W>L	11 PRIV 8 7P 6D 2L ARIZ 28 8J>L GCEX 18 8J>L GCW 22 7W>L
12 ARIZ 24 7W2J>L CANY 18 7D>L HATC 26 7W>L RAFT 17 14D	13 OUTD 23 5P9L TOUR 10 6W3J>L WILD 28 7W>L	14 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L ARIZ 22 6W2J>L CAEX 8 7P9D WEST 29 6W3J>L	15 PRIV 16 6P 10D 2L GCW 22 7W>L HATC 23 6P7W>D WEST 32 6W3J>L WEST 19 6W3J>L	16 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L GCEX 14 8J>L GCEX 14 8J>L HATC 24 4P4W>L	17 PRIV 4 5P 7D 3L PRIV 13 5P 11D 3L COLO 24 8L GCEX 28 8J>L WILD 28 8W>L	18 ARIZ 26 6W3J>L EXPD 12 15D GCEX 28 8J>L GCW 20 8D>L
19 ARIZ 28 7W2J>L CANY 18 3P5D>L HATC 25 7W>L OARS 16 5P6W6L	20 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L AZRA 0 8D HATC 12 9W>L OUTD 23 6P8L TOUR 27 6W3J>L	21 ARIZ 22 6W2J>L GCEX 20 14J>L WEST 28 6W3J>L	22 AZRA 21 6P9D GCW 22 7W>L WEST 27 6W3J>L WEST 28 6W3J>L	23 PRIV 8 7P 9D 3L PRIV 14 7P 9D 2L GCEX 28 8J>L HATC 28 7W>L OARS 16 6P7W5L WEST 26 6W3J>L	24 PRIV 16 6P 8D 2L AZRA 19 8D EXPD 10 7P9D GCEX 28 8J>L WILD 28 7W>L	25 PRIV 16 7P 9D 2L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L COLO 16 GCEX 28 8J>L GCW 18 7W>L
26 PRIV 16 11P 5D 2L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L CANY 14 7D>L OARS 16 5P11L	27 ARIZ 28 7W2J>L TOUR 15 6W3J>L	28 PRIV 16 5P 5D 1L WEST 30 6W3J>L WEST 21 6W3J>L WILD 28 7W>L WILD 24 6P7W>D	29 PRIV 7 5P 8D 3L PRIV 16 7P 9D 3L RAFT 23 8D WEST 32 6W3J>L WEST 20 6W3J>L	30 GCEX 28 8J>L GCW 22 4P5D>L RAFT 21 14D	31 PRIV 8 7P 9D 3L PRIV 16 6P 8D 2L ARIZ 24 6P8D AZRA 12 8D GCEX 28 8J>L WILD 28 7W>L	

Phantom Ranch Dates for July 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L	2	3 AZRA 21 6P9D OUTD 4 5P9L EXPD 1 4P11D	4 PRIV 8 8P 8D 2L PRIV 16 4P 4D 1L
5 PRIV 16 8P 8D 3L PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L	6 GCW 18 6P8D>L	7 CANY 15 3P5D>L	8	9 HATC 4 4P4W>L	10 PRIV 16 6P 8D 3L OUTD 18 5P9L	11
12 PRIV 8 6P 7D 1L	13 PRIV 14 6P 10D 2L	14 PRIV 16 8P 8D 2L	15 AZRA 15 6P9D	16	17 PRIV 8 7P 6D 2L OUTD 23 5P9L	18
19 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L HATC 24 4P4W>L	20 PRIV 16 6P 10D 2L CAEX 8 7P9D HATC 23 6P7W>D	21 PRIV 4 5P 7D 3L PRIV 13 5P 11D 3L PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L CANY 18 3P5D>L	22	23 OARS 16 5P6W6L	24	25 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L OUTD 23 6P8L
26	27 AZRA 21 6P9D	28 OARS 16 6P7W5L	29 PRIV 8 7P 9D 3L PRIV 14 7P 9D 2L PRIV 16 6P 8D 2L COLO 16	30 EXPD 10 7P9D OARS 16 5P11L	31 PRIV 16 7P 9D 2L	

Whitmore Exchanges for July 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 HATC 12 4P4W>L HATC 14 7W>L TOUR 17 6W3J>L	2	3 WILD 1 4P5W>L ARIZ 22 7W2J>L GCW 22 7W>L	4 ARIZ 22 7W2J>L HATC 28 7W>L TOUR 26 6W3J>L
5 HATC 20 7W>L ARIZ 20 6W2J>L	6 WEST 27 7W3J>L WILD 25 7W>L WEST 11 6W>L WEST 29 6W3J>L	7 WILD 16 12W>L WEST 28 7W3J>L	8 HATC 16 7W>L	9	10 GCW 22 7W>L	11 HATC 22 7W>L ARIZ 25 6W2J>L TOUR 4 6W3J>L
12 HATC 4 4P4W>L WEST 15 6W3J>L WEST 32 6W3J>L	13 ARIZ 22 7W2J>L WEST 32 6W3J>L WEST 19 6W3J>L	14	15 HATC 16 7W>L WILD 28 7W>L WILD 28 6W>L	16	17 GCW 22 7W>L	18 ARIZ 24 7W2J>L HATC 26 7W>L TOUR 10 6W3J>L
19 WILD 28 7W>L ARIZ 22 6W2J>L WEST 29 6W3J>L	20 WEST 32 6W3J>L WEST 19 6W3J>L	21 GCW 22 7W>L	22 HATC 24 4P4W>L	23 ARIZ 26 6W3J>L	24 WILD 28 8W>L	25 ARIZ 28 7W2J>L HATC 25 7W>L TOUR 27 6W3J>L
26 HATC 23 6P7W>D ARIZ 22 6W2J>L WEST 28 6W3J>L	27 WEST 27 6W3J>L WEST 28 6W3J>L	28 OARS 16 5P6W6L HATC 12 9W>L GCW 22 7W>L WEST 26 6W3J>L	29 HATC 28 7W>L	30 WILD 28 7W>L	31 ARIZ 28 7W2J>L GCW 18 7W>L	

Diamond Creek Dates for July 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 CAEX 14 7P9DR	3 AZRA 13 6P9D	4 PRIV 8 7P 9D 3L PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L CANY 15 3P5D>L
5	6 PRIV 6 5P 11D 1L PRIV 16 8P 8D 3L EXPD 8 15D AZRA 14 8D	7 PRIV 16 7P 8D 2L RAFT 11 14D	8 PRIV 16 4P 4D 1L	9	10 RAFT 12 8D	11 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L AZRA 21 6P9D CANY 15 3P5D>L CANY 10 7D>L
12 PRIV 8 8P 8D 2L	13 PRIV 16 8P 8D 3L EXPD 1 4P11D GCW 18 6P8D>L	14	15 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L GCW 22 8D>L	16	17	18 PRIV 16 6P 8D 3L CANY 18 7D>L
19 PRIV 8 6P 7D 1L	20	21	22 PRIV 16 8P 8D 2L CAEX 19 15D	23 PRIV 8 7P 6D 2L PRIV 14 6P 10D 2L AZRA 15 6P9D	24	25 RAFT 17 14D GCW 20 8D>L CANY 18 3P5D>L
26 HATC 23 6P7W>D	27	28 PRIV 4 5P 7D 3L CAEX 8 7P9D	29 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L	30 PRIV 16 6P 10D 2L	31 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L AZRA 19 8D	

Pearce Ferry Dates for July 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 PRIV 8 7P 9D 1L ARIZ 18 8J>L WEST 29 6W3J>L HATC 12 4P4W>L HATC 14 7W>L	2 PRIV 8 7P 6D 3L WEST 26 7W3J>L	3 GCEX 14 8J>L TOUR 17 6W3J>L	4 WILD 1 4P5W>L ARIZ 22 7W2J>L GCW 22 7W>L CANY 15 3P5D>L HATC 28 7W>L
5 OUTD 11 6P8L ARIZ 22 7W2J>L ARIZ 22 7W2J>L HATC 20 7W>L	6 ARIZ 22 7W2J>L TOUR 26 6W3J>L ARIZ 20 6W2J>L	7 PRIV 6 5P 11D 1L PRIV 8 7P 9D 3L PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L ARIZ 20 6W2J>L WILD 25 7W>L WEST 11 6W>L	8 WILD 16 12W>L WEST 27 7W3J>L WEST 29 6W3J>L HATC 16 7W>L	9 PRIV 16 4P 4D 1L PRIV 16 8P 8D 3L PRIV 16 7P 8D 2L WEST 28 7W3J>L GCEX 14 8J>L GCEX 14 8J>L	10 GCEX 7 8J>L	11 OUTD 4 5P9L COLO 28 8L GCEX 15 8J>L GCW 22 7W>L CANY 15 3P5D>L CANY 10 7D>L HATC 22 7W>L
12 ARIZ 25 6W2J>L HATC 4 4P4W>L	13 ARIZ 25 6W2J>L TOUR 4 6W3J>L	14 PRIV 8 8P 8D 2L PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L GCW 18 6P8D>L ARIZ 22 7W2J>L WEST 15 6W3J>L WEST 32 6W3J>L	15 ARIZ 22 7W2J>L WEST 32 6W3J>L WEST 19 6W3J>L HATC 16 7W>L	16 PRIV 16 8P 8D 3L GCW 22 8D>L GCEX 21 8J>L WILD 28 7W>L WILD 28 6W>L	17 COLO 14 8L GCEX 18 8J>L GCW 22 7W>L	18 PRIV 16 6P 10D 3L OUTD 18 5P9L ARIZ 28 8J>L GCEX 18 8J>L CANY 18 7D>L HATC 26 7W>L
19 ARIZ 28 8J>L ARIZ 24 7W2J>L	20 PRIV 8 6P 7D 1L ARIZ 24 7W2J>L TOUR 10 6W3J>L WILD 28 7W>L ARIZ 22 6W2J>L	21 PRIV 16 6P 8D 3L ARIZ 22 6W2J>L WEST 29 6W3J>L	22 GCW 22 7W>L WEST 32 6W3J>L WEST 19 6W3J>L HATC 24 4P4W>L	23 GCEX 14 8J>L GCEX 14 8J>L	24 PRIV 16 8P 8D 2L COLO 24 8L GCEX 28 8J>L	25 PRIV 8 7P 6D 2L PRIV 14 6P 10D 2L OUTD 23 5P9L WILD 28 8W>L ARIZ 26 6W3J>L GCEX 28 8J>L GCW 20 8D>L CANY 18 3P5D>L HATC 25 7W>L
26 ARIZ 26 6W3J>L ARIZ 28 7W2J>L	27 ARIZ 28 7W2J>L TOUR 27 6W3J>L ARIZ 22 6W2J>L	28 HATC 12 9W>L ARIZ 22 6W2J>L WEST 28 6W3J>L	29 GCW 22 7W>L WEST 27 6W3J>L WEST 28 6W3J>L HATC 28 7W>L	30 GCEX 28 8J>L WEST 26 6W3J>L	31 PRIV 4 5P 7D 3L GCEX 28 8J>L WILD 28 7W>L GCW 18 7W>L	