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Southern West Virginia's Adventures on the Gorge Introduces Summer Gauley Loop Overnight

LANSING, W. Va., June 11, 2020 - [Adventures on the Gorge](#) (AOTG) in Southern West Virginia is introducing a summer adventure featuring a night of riverside camping, meals and rafting a stretch of the Gauley River multiple times over the course of two days.

Limited to just 24 whitewater rafters, the [Summer Gauley Loop Overnight](#) is designed as an unplugged getaway for those who want to reconnect with nature and enjoy a classic adventure in an intimate setting.

"Outdoor adventure enthusiasts emerging from isolation are anxious to get their feet wet again," said Roger Wilson, CEO of AOTG. "Rafters can enjoy a wilderness-like experience that is actually an easy drive from our main campus. This access allows us to drive in rafting and camping gear, supplies and food for a comfortable, yet private, getaway."



The Gauley River is renowned for its rapids.



The Summer Gauley Loop Overnight will feature riverside camping.

Known for its 26 miles of whitewater featuring close to 100 named rapids, the Gauley River is famed for its predictable flows in September and October when the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers releases water from Summersville Lake on the weekends to create the world's best whitewater rafting. During the summer these flows vary and create advanced technical runs with options for inflatable kayaks or rafts of different sizes and configurations.

This section of the Gauley River loops around a point and doubles back to create a peninsula-like piece of land. After running two miles of the river, participants make a short jaunt back to their starting point. Over the course of two days, they can expect to run Backender, Koontz Flume, Canyon Doors and Junkyard rapids three to six times, depending upon water flow levels.

"Any guide will tell you that your view of a rapid changes each successive time you run it," said Wilson. "The first time through will be a very focused and new experience, but the river and rapids will look so much different as you start to see angles and lines more like how the guides view them."

Overnight camping will occur at either Canyon Doors or Backender campgrounds operated by AOTG. These campgrounds normally accommodate up to 60 guests. The package features two individual bag lunches, one breakfast and one dinner. Rates are \$359 per person. Minimum age is 15.

Reservations can be made [online](#) or by calling 1-855-379-8738

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What to know about Adventures on the Gorge

Named one of the top six adventure resorts in the country by [U.S. News & World Report](#), Adventures on the Gorge is located on more than 250 acres along the rim of the majestic New River Gorge near Fayetteville, W.Va. The resort provides an array of outdoor experiences including whitewater rafting on the New and Gauley Rivers, aerial adventures, rock climbing, rappelling, kayaking, stand up paddle boarding, fishing, mountain biking and hiking.

There are also restaurants, bars and shops as well as a small-group conference center. Visitors can choose from a variety of [accommodations](#) and [vacation packages](#).

Travelers can find out more about Adventures on the Gorge [online](#), by calling 1-855-379-8738, or connecting on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [TripAdvisor](#), [YouTube](#), and [Vimeo](#) and signing up for AOTG [e-newsletter](#).

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