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The Gauley Overnight features camping after a day on the Upper Gauley.

Good Golly, It's Not Too Late to Gauley; Opening Day is Friday

FAYETTEVILLE, W.Va., Sept. 7, 2022 - The "Beast of the East" will rear its raging head for the first time in 2022 on Friday, and the rabid river rapids will continue to rage 21 more times between now and mid-October. There's still time to paddle the beast.

West Virginia's largest adventure resort and rafting outfitter - [Adventures on the Gorge](#) (AOTG) - will be ready with rafts, cabins, campsites, tents, meals and more.

Every fall visitors from around the world - not just the country - head to the Gauley River for the world's best whitewater as Summersville Lake is drawn down at 2,800 cubic feet per second (cfs) to create close to 100 rapids - including nine Class V - in 26 miles. We can thank the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as it releases water via Summersville Dam Fridays through Mondays.



Pillow Rock is one of several notable Gauley rapids.

Release dates this year are Sept. 9-12, 16-19, 23-26, Sept. 30-Oct. 3 and Oct. 7-10 and 15-16.

Gauley rafting is typically classified in two sections - the [Upper](#) and [Lower](#). The Upper Gauley starts just below Summersville Dam and drops more than 335 feet in fewer than 13 miles, creating the most intense whitewater on the river and one of the most challenging whitewater experiences in the world. The 12-mile Lower Gauley is slightly less intense, but still extremely challenging, with 70 rapids.

Gauley Season Options

AOTG offers several options for rafters, including the [Upper Gauley](#), [Lower Gauley](#) and [Gauley Reverse 2-Day](#). Additionally, some rafters run both stretches as part of the [Gauley Marathon](#) while others take on the Upper Gauley twice in one day as part of the [Double Upper Gauley 1-Day 2-Night](#) package.

The resort also offers a variety of accommodations such as freestanding cabins and campgrounds. There are other adventures too, including [rafting on the New River](#), [TreeTops Zipline](#) Canopy Tour, [Bridge Walk](#), [rock climbing](#), [TimberTrek](#) Adventure Park and more.

Camping on the Gauley

One of AOTG's more popular options features is a two-day Upper and Lower Gauley rafting experience broken up by [camping at Canyon Doors](#), a permanent campground on the river featuring a wood-fired hot tub, hot showers, bathrooms and gourmet meals prepared by an expedition chef.

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

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What to know about Adventures on the Gorge

Named one of the top adventure resorts in the country by [U.S. News & World Report](#), Adventures on the Gorge is located on more than 350 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](#).

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