



The Eight Mile Bar and Grill is the top spot for cooling down and reliving a day on the river.

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## Beat the Heat With a Trip Down the Arkansas River, Says Echo Canyon River Expeditions

CAÑON CITY, Colo., July 25, 2018 - It has been a hot summer in Colorado, but the traditional ways of staying cool are working just fine. Just ask the folks at [Echo Canyon River Expeditions](#).

"The Arkansas River is one of the top-rated rivers in the world for rafting and for good reason," said Andy Neinas, owner of Echo Canyon, the largest rafting outfitter in the region. "In addition to great rapids and scenery, people have been running its rapids and floating its smooth water for decades for fun as well as a way to beat the heat."



Glamping tents and luxury cabins provide overnight accommodations.

From its headwaters near Leadville, the river drops more than 1,000 feet through several microclimates by the time it reaches the Royal Gorge. [Water temperatures](#) have been in the low- to mid-70s, and rafters are enjoying splashes and taking voluntary swims.

Echo Canyon offers half-, full- and multi-day rafting trips. Per-person rates for adults are \$72 for the half-day Gentle Family Float, \$69 for Bighorn Sheep Canyon Rafting and \$81 for Royal Gorge rafting, the most challenging of the resort's rafting options.

In addition to its rafting trips, Echo Canyon operates nine one- and two-bedroom [Royal Gorge Cabins](#) and eight glamping tents to appeal to guests who love the rafting and would prefer to linger instead of driving home afterwards. The cabins and four tents were constructed in 2017, and four more glamping tents were added this year.

The resort's [8 Mile Bar & Grill](#) is a central meeting point where rafters watch videos of their trips, compare notes and unwind with a beverage or meal on the patio.

More information about rafting trips can be found [online](#) or by calling 1-800-755-3246.

Reservations for the cabins and glamping tents can be made online at [www.royalgorgecabins.com](http://www.royalgorgecabins.com) or by calling 1-800-748-2953.

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[Echo Canyon River Expeditions](#) is the leading whitewater destination resort in central Colorado and one of the country's top [adventure resorts](#), according to *U.S. News & World Report*. The resort is located west of Cañon City, Colo. on U.S. Route 50. Drive time is approximately two and one-half hours from Denver and one hour from Colorado Springs. The Colorado Springs Airport (COS) offers non-stop service from several major cities throughout the country including Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, Chicago and Phoenix.

Contact Echo Canyon by email at [info@raftecho.com](mailto:info@raftecho.com) or by calling 1-800-690-3246, or follow the resort on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#), [Instagram](#) or by signing up for the resort's [newsletter](#). Travelers can also read about visitors' experiences on [TripAdvisor](#) and see why Echo Canyon is consistently named the No. 1-rated tour in Cañon City.

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