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Echo Canyon River Expeditions Predicts Nine More Weeks of Rafting; Offers Third Night Free on Royal Gorge Cabins

CAÑON CITY, Colo., July 31, 2017 - This year's above-average snowpack means whitewater rafting on the Arkansas River will last well into September, and <u>Echo Canyon River Expeditions</u> is encouraging travelers to celebrate the long season by offering the third night free on stays in new <u>Royal Gorge Cabins</u> Aug. 6 - Sept. 24.

"This banner year isn't over yet, and many of our guests especially enjoy the last several weeks of the season as the river begins to slow so they can enjoy the wildlife-rich shores and quiet beauty of central Colorado's Royal Gorge region," said Andy Neinas, owner of Echo Canyon River Expeditions. "The luxurious new Royal Gorge Cabins enhance the entire experience,



Cabins feature living areas, bedrooms and kitchenettes.



The 8 Mile Bar and Grill is open through Labor Day.

because they allow travelers to spend the night in comfort while enjoying expansive views of the Sangre de Cristo mountain range."

This year's snowpack is the reason early-season wild whitewater and summer-long, sustainable gentle flows are occurring this year, added Neinas. "Picture a cube of ice and a 20-pound block of ice on your sidewalk on a hot day," he said. "The cube of ice will obviously melt quickly - that's our spring high-water season. Because there is so much more water, the block of ice will take a much longer time to melt, and that illustrates our long season of family-friendly flows."

About the Royal Gorge Cabins

Opened in May, the cabins are the most luxurious accommodations in the region, with either one or two bedrooms fully equipped galley-style kitchens, flat-screen television, eat-in granite bar and leather couches. A highlight of each cabin is an ambiance-maximizing double-sided gas fireplace that can be enjoyed inside and outside and 400 square feet of outdoor living space featuring drought-tolerant plantings such as blue fescue and Karl Forster grasses.

Each cabin also offers two private parking spaces, covered entry way, hammock and outdoor grills.

During peak season (Memorial Day to Labor Day) the single king cabins are priced at \$345 per night Sunday through Thursday and \$385 on weekends. Double king loft cabins are priced at \$395 Sunday through Thursday and \$435 on weekends. Prices are reduced during the shoulder seasons after Labor Day. Prices are higher during the Labor Day holiday weekend. Guests must call 1-800-690-3246 to reserve the cabins and mention the promo code "FREENIGHT" at time of booking.

About the resort

Situated near the famous Royal Gorge Bridge & Park, Echo Canyon operates a variety of rafting adventures on the Arkansas River, luxury cabins, glamping tents, campground with RV and tent sites and the popular 8 Mile Bar and Grill open Memorial Day through Labor Day. Additionally, the resort offers an array of group services with special event space and an innovative teambuilding platform.

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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 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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