

Trip Planning Guide

LET'S PLAN YOUR ADVENTURE!

FOLLOW THE STEPS IN THIS GUIDE TO GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR VISIT.



Checklist: Use this checklist to track your trip planning steps.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Learn about the site at fs.usda.gov/r06/columbiarivergorge/
- Find out what activities you can do at the site
- Know your limits - Assess your skills, fitness, and experience
- Pick the right activity for YOU
- Look for regulations, permits, and reservations needed for your activity
- Create a backup plan
- Pack the 10 essentials
- Share your Trip Plan with your Trusted Contact
- Create an Emergency Plan



ARRIVAL AT THE SITE

- Check site conditions
- Check the 10 Essentials and your gear
- Ask yourself: Are you ready for your activity?
- Put your backup plan into action, if necessary
- Pick up permits

DURING THE TRIP

- Stick to your plan
- Stay within designated areas
- Stay together
- Stay aware of your surroundings
- Keep a safe distance from wildlife
- Check in with yourself: Should you continue?

AFTER THE TRIP

- Check in with your Trusted Contact
- Reflect on what you observed and learned
- Share your experience



RANGER TIP

Traveling with a group?

Share this guide with them. Everyone should be involved in trip planning. The best group adventures are the ones everyone is prepared for!