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Hatch Trips Are Great For...

1) Retirees: “Active Adults”

Did you know the average age of a guest with Hatch is 58 years old?

If you think white water rafting is an adventure sport best suited to young people, think again. We find that the folks who have the most fun on our trips are those with a few more life experiences under their belts. More than 76% of our guests are over 50 years old, while 15% are over 70!

You don’t need to become an expert oarsman navigating your way through the Colorado River’s treacherous rapids to experience the remote beauty of the Grand Canyon backcountry. Just bring your adventure attitude and our professional guides will handle the tough stuff. That leaves you free to focus on taking in every inch of incredible scenery, climbing the rocky canyon trails to reach spectacular viewpoints and cooling waterfall oases, and bonding with your fellow travelers over the best camping food you’ll ever eat.

You can also rely on your guides to tell you all about the canyon, from its history to its geology. Interested in what kind of plant that is, what makes the rocks form like that, or who might have lived here centuries before you set foot on the sand? Ask your guides—chances are good that they’ll have a story for you about it.

Never been camping...? What are you waiting for?! We provide all of your essential camping gear and rafting equipment, we’ll teach you how to set up a tent, and our guides even do the cooking for you.

There are a few things you should be aware of before you commit to a Hatch river trip. While entirely doable for most people, a multi-day white water rafting adventure is no walk in the park (although you’ll technically be in Grand Canyon National Park). You’ll need to be prepared for extreme temperatures (well over 100°F in the peak of summer), intense sun, cold water, rocky trails, and sand... everywhere.

If you have any medical or dietary conditions or are worried about your physical capabilities, you may want to discuss the suitability of such a trip with your doctor. We’re also happy to talk through your concerns and give you a realistic idea of the conditions you’ll experience.

Ready to get started? Here are some trips you might enjoy:

(You can see our full list of trips under our “Explore Trips” menu.)

7 Day Full Canyon Motorized Trip [LINK]

Rating: Active

This is our most popular and most frequently offered style of trip. If you're looking for more of an "adults only" trip makeup, try booking in May, late August, or September when most families have kids in school.

12 Day Full Canyon Oar Powered Trip [LINK]

Rating: More Active

If you have a little more time to devote to your vacation, this trip should be on your list of possibilities. You'll travel the same distance as on the Full Canyon Motorized, but on smaller craft rowed by our guides. These smaller rafts can be tossed around a bit more, so be ready to hang on tight through the larger rapids.

12 Day Full Canyon Hiking Focused Trip [LINK]

Rating: Most Active

If you have some extra time AND you're an avid hiker, we have *the* trip for you. It's only offered in mid-April, but if your schedule allows this trip affords you an opportunity to do longer hikes to destinations other travels won't see. April is also the perfect time to see the canyon's many wildflowers in bloom.

2) Families: "Family Vacations"

Are you aching to get away from your devices and spend some quality time with your loved ones?

There's no better way than by traveling to one of the few places in the world still remote enough to not get cell service. At the bottom of Grand Canyon, you and your family can truly connect in one of the most beautiful settings in the world.

Hang on tight through the Colorado River's famous rapids, splash and swim in the many hidden creeks and swimming holes in the canyon, camp and play on the sandy beaches along the river side, and keep your eyes open for all kinds of canyon wildlife. Your guides will be filled with fun facts about Grand Canyon history, geology, wildlife, and more, so you'll learn a lot along the way, too.

Everyone on a Hatch trip pitches in when it comes to setting up camp, so make sure any little hands come prepared to help. Our guides are excellent at finding ways to connect with your kids and keep them engaged throughout the trip. You can also help prepare younger kids by doing some research before you go. If they already know who John Wesley Powell is or what kind of animals to look for in the canyon, they'll be that much more excited when those things come up during the trip.

The memories you form on this vacation will truly last a lifetime. At least a few times a year, a guest tells us that they did this trip with their own family as a child and now they can't wait to share the experience with their kids.

You'll want to keep a few things in mind before you commit to booking a Hatch trip for your family. We can accommodate kids as young as 8 on motorized trips and as young as 12 on oar powered trips, and it helps if your kids are good listeners who enjoy going on adventures in the outdoors. If you're considering an upper canyon or lower canyon trip, we don't recommend it unless your kids are teenagers and experienced hikers since the mandatory hike into/out of the canyon can be brutal. On all Hatch trips, you'll need to be prepared for extreme temperatures (well over 100°F in the peak of summer), intense sun, cold water, rocky trails, and sand... everywhere.

If anyone in your family has any medical or dietary conditions or you are worried about their physical capabilities, you may want to discuss the suitability of such a trip with their doctor. We're also happy to talk through your concerns and give you a realistic idea of the conditions you'll experience.

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7 Day Full Canyon Motorized Trip [LINK]

Rating: Active

Suitable for kids as young as 8, this is our most popular and most frequently offered style of trip. Most families book around school schedules, meaning you're more likely to encounter other groups with kids if you book in June or July.

12 Day Full Canyon Oar Powered Trip [LINK]

Rating: More Active

Suitable for kids as young as 12, this trip should be on your list of possibilities if you have a little more time to devote to your vacation. You'll travel the same distance as on the Full Canyon Motorized, but on smaller boats rowed by our guides, making the experience more intimate for groups of up to 4 people. These smaller rafts can be tossed around a bit more, so be ready to hang on tight through the larger rapids.

3) Solo Travelers: "Traveling Solo"

Do you love meeting new and interesting people while you travel?

On a Grand Canyon rafting trip, bonding with the other travelers is all but unavoidable. After a few days of helping each other on hikes and with camp set up, sharing meals, and exploring this beautiful and remote backcountry setting together, your trip mates and guides will start to feel like your very own “river family.”

You’ll have an opportunity to visit hidden waterfalls and springs, hike to breathtaking viewpoints, walk where the canyon’s earliest inhabitants walked centuries ago, learn about historical figures that explored and developed parts of the canyon, and catch glimpses of local plant and animal life in its natural setting. Plus, you’ll make new friends along the way. You may even learn as much about your traveling companions as you do about this stunning place.

We provide all your essential camping gear, so all you have to bring is yourself, your personal gear, and your adventure attitude.

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7 Day Full Canyon Motorized Trip [LINK]

Rating: Active

This is our most popular and most frequently offered style of trip. It is great for people of any availability level, and the 7 day duration is easy to fit into a vacation from work. *You may also be able to book either the 4 day upper portion or 4 day lower portion of this trip if you are a good hiker and the limited number of offerings work with your schedule.*

12 Day Full Canyon Oar Powered Trip [LINK]

Rating: More Active

If you have a little more time to devote to your vacation, this trip should be on your list of possibilities. You’ll travel the same distance as on the Full Canyon Motorized, but on smaller craft rowed by our guides. These smaller rafts can be tossed around a bit more, so be ready to hang on tight through the larger rapids. *You may also be able to book either the 6 day upper portion or 7 day lower portion of this trip if you are a good hiker.*

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Rating: Most Active

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