



Adventure Missoula

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Rafting Guide Job Description

Job Summary:

Serve as a whitewater rafting guide on both paddle and oar framed rafts. Guides will run full-day and half-day river trips on the Clark Fork River (30 min outside Missoula) and possibly other rivers surrounding Missoula, MT. Guides' primary responsibility is to deal directly with our guests and seek to provide the best possible guest vacation experience. Guides are part of a summer bustling company that emphasizes quality service, teamwork, and fun working environment.

Guide Duties and Responsibilities:

- Run full-day and half-day whitewater and scenic trips on the roaring Clark Fork River. Captain both paddle and oar boats.
- Maintain a good sense of humor and cooperative attitude when dealing with both co-workers and guests.
- Communicate well with head guide, owners, and co-workers.
- Learn about natural environment and history of area and share the knowledge with guests.

Performance Standards:

Employees are evaluated on thoroughness in performing duties, pleasant attitude, dependability, punctuality, personal initiative, flexibility, mature judgment, willingness to learn, and ability to be a team player.

Qualifications:

Must be at least 18 years old. Must be willing to travel and work on all of the river sections offered by Adventure Missoula for the summer and must have a way of communication when away from the office (cell phone or phone with answering machine). Must have a professional attitude and be willing to learn and accept new ideas. Must be able to work long hours and not be subject to burnout and moodiness. Must work well under pressure and be a team player. Guides must purchase various gear such as a type III (minimum) lifejacket, a knife, whistle, cold weather

gear (wetsuit or equivalent), a throw bag, dry bag, and personal cam-straps (purchases may be made through pro deals).

Benefits of working for us:

- You will get to enjoy the outdoors EVERY DAY you work.
- You can work on at least three different stretches of the river and opportunity to work others.
- You will have the opportunity to take advantage of all of Adventure Missoula pro deals.
- You will have the opportunity to meet great people from faraway places.
- The opportunity to work for a small integrated company
- **The opportunity to go rafting everyday**
- Pay is dependent on experience

About Adventure Missoula:

We are constantly told we have the **best lunches on the river**. The ingredients, the handmadeness...all within 15 miles of the raft shop. We include fresh garden grown produce and our **famous pickled green beans** to make our customers delicious river adventure unforgettable. Whitewater rafting Missoula and the Alberton Gorge Clark Fork River couldn't be better when you are in **small boats**, (high end sport rafts) not large ones crowded with tons of people high on groupon deals. Our customers come back because **we hire great personalities, local river kids that know the area, and staff that are passionate about what they do**. We pay them what they deserve. Some of them have been with us for almost a decade before. Believe us, no one is in the rafting business for the money. **Adventures with Western Waters was the very first rafting company; started in 1976**. We changed our public name last year! Our company is **owned by locals** Jared and Sara Forsythe. Jared has been guiding and fishing in the area since he was 22. Sara is local celebrity who started the art center in Missoula. It's a family affair and has been in the Forsythe name for 15 years now. **Our shop is right at the put in for the trip**. This means you don't have to do much riding in a bus! **When you call us, you reach us**; either the people who are taking you down the river, or the owners. **We have solar panels on our shop. We are a paperless company**. We run a **bio-diesel** bus - Surfer Steve! We are the area's local ma and pa rafting company. We employ local guides to make your trip authentic. **Our MOTTO: Providing good times...with a sense of responsibility** which we take to heart. There have been many times we are not going down the river when the other companies are. We are safe, fun, well-trained and small.