

5 Day Guided Paddling Trip
Crosswind Lake to Gulkana River Kajak/Fishing Trip



Great family trip with kids ages 12 and up
Anglers enjoy some of Alaska's premier grayling and salmon fishing without the crowds
Great opportunities for the wildlife photographer
For the more adventurous angler seeking a truly remote fishing experience, but also affordable

Dates: June- September

2-6 people

Price: \$900.00 per person

Total kayaking distance: 76 miles/about 19 miles per day

Included:

Professional guide service

Folding boats, paddles, PFD's

Safety gear

Tents

Outdoor kitchen

4 camping meals

bush flight and transportation from Anchorage or Palmer

Trip starts with a short float plane ride to Crosswind Lake. From there we will paddle and camp along lakes and rivers to our final destination Sourdough Campground on the Gulkana River.

Join us for this unique kayak fishing trip just outside of the eastern edge of the Mat Su Valley near Lake Louise about 130 miles east of Palmer.

It will take us into a lake and creek system into the West Fork of the Gulkana and down the "National Wild and Scenic" Gulkana River, a beautiful clearwater system with unique and diverse fishing opportunities for the more adventurous angler seeking a truly remote fishing experience, that is affordable. ". This classification recognizes the area's exceptional scenic, recreational, fish, and wildlife values and provides protection for the benefit of present and future generations.

The Gulkana River drainage supports the largest recreational fishery in the Glennallen area and is one of the largest Arctic grayling fisheries in the state. It also offers great fishing for King Salmon (early June through late June) and Sockeye (Red) Salmon (late June through mid August) as well as lake trout and catch-and-release-only fisheries for rainbow and steelhead trout. This sockeye fishery offers anglers a unique opportunity to prospect sites and techniques without competition from other anglers. The scenery throughout is superb and the rolling hills covered by spruce and birch are home to moose, beaver, lynx, fox, bear, wolf, eagles, ducks, trumpeter swans,

cormorants and the Nelchina caribou herd. Many species of waterfowl nest in this area, creating wonderful opportunities for the wildlife photographer.

From Tolsona Lake on the Glenn Highway a float plane will take us on a short flight to Crosswind Lake where the trip begins. We will set up camp on the other end of the lake. From Crosswind Lake to the mouth of West Fork Gulkana, there are lake trout, grayling and whitefish. Below that point, there are grayling, red salmon and king salmon

The following days we will paddle through Dog Lake and long, slow and winding Dog Creek into Fish Lake and reach the West Fork of the Gulkana River on day 3. The last 17 miles are on the main channel of the Gulkana River before we arrive at the Sourdough campground, our final destination and end of the kajak tour.