



Rafting Adventure - camping on a raft or boat

Things you need to learn

- How to make a raft
- How to steer a raft
- How to wear a buoyancy aid
- Water safety skills
- How to tie knots and lashings

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Do you know the story about Huckleberry Finn and Tom Sawyer - how they build a raft with a shelter and a sail and set off on the Mississippi on one big adventure. In the 1970 there was the Kontiki Expedition across the Pacific when adventurers sought to prove that it was possible to cross the Pacific on a raft. There was also the adventures of Tom Severn - the Brendan Voyage - in a currach across the Atlantic to prove that Christopher Columbus was not the first to discover America.

Well, this adventure is a bit like those but on a smaller scale....not on the sea but maybe a lake. You might have build rafts in the Scout section that you used for a day or for a raft race. This adventure requires something a whole lot bigger. It needs to have space for a tent or shelter as you will live on it.

You could also take the easy way out and hire a barge and explore our inland waterways but where is the romance in that.

Nobody had done it before...will your unit be the first!!!. The challenge has been laid on your table.