



CANOE COUNTRY *Outfitters*

ELY, MINNESOTA

2026

CANOE TRIP RATES **Our 81st Year!**

(Per Person Per Day Rates)

Trip Length	Complete Ultra Light	Complete Deluxe
	Outfitting	Kevlar
3-4 Days	\$103.00	\$116.00
5-6 Days	\$99.00	\$112.00
7-9 Days	\$95.00	\$108.00
10 or More	\$91.00	\$104.00

DISCOUNTS OFF ABOVE RATES

Children age 8-17 - Deduct 20%

Under age 8 - free outfitting

Party size of 5-7 people - Adults Deduct 10%

Party size of 8 or more - Adults Deduct 20%

Use own tent or sleeping bag - \$4/day credit

COMPLETE ULTRA LIGHT OUTFITTING INCLUDES:

- 17' Alumacraft Ultra Light Canoe (61 lbs.) w/paddles, portaging yoke, & Stearns Canoeing Vests
- Light Weight Food Supplies
- Eureka self-supporting Timberline Tent
- Fresh Laundered Sleeping Bags
- Self-inflating Sleeping Pads (full length)
- Nylon Packs w/Padded Straps & Waterproof Liners
- Cookware & Eating Utensils
- Rain Tarp, Saw, Rope, Hatchet
- Water Container & Purification Tablets
- Gas stove, Lantern, Rain Poncho
- Shovel & fire grate (for Quetico trips)
- Detailed Trip Routing & Use of Shower Facilities

COMPLETE DELUXE KEVLAR OUTFITTING:

The same as Ultra Light except the following upgrades:

- Kevlar Canoe (42-45 lbs.) with Bent-Shaft Paddles
- Crazy Creek canoe seat backrests
- Ultra Light Sleeping Bags in Compression Sack
- Ultra Light Pillows
- Deluxe Packs with Padded Straps & Hip belts
- Ultra Light Nylon Rain Tarp
- Water Filter
- 1 Set of Detailed Trip Maps

RESERVATIONS - A \$100 per person deposit is required on complete outfitting or food package. A \$200 deposit for the entire party is sufficient to reserve partial outfitting. We accept personal checks, Visa, Mastercard and Discover card.

Your trip may start any day of the week. Calendar days apply, no part days allowed unless cleared in advance. We always have enough equipment on hand. It's the entry permits that are limited, so please **MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY!**

SALES & LODGING TAX: Outfitting is subject to 7.375% Sales Tax. Sales Tax and a 3% Lodging Tax applies to motel accommodations.

CANCELLATIONS - Trips cancelled at least 15 days in advance receive deposit back less a \$30 processing fee. No refund available with less than 15 day notice.

EARLY RETURNS - If you return from your trip early, we'll refund for the days of early return on equipment only; no refund on food.

MAP MAIL ORDERS - We mail out Fisher F-Series and McKenzie brand maps. These maps are waterproof and highly detailed. Also available is a colorful map showing the entire BWCA-Quetico Wilderness. All maps are \$12.00, postage & handling included. Add \$7.50 to map order if maps are desired unfolded in a cardboard tube. Add 7.375% Sales Tax.

AVERAGE SUMMER TEMPERATURES


	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
Day	66	78	81	80	65
Night	42	52	56	56	45

Charter Member of the Ely Outfitters Association
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MOOSE LAKE CABINS & CAMPGROUND - Enjoy the BWCA through day trips. The campground has both RV and tent sites. The housekeeping cabin sizes are 2-5 bedroom. Both motorized and "canoe-only" lakes available for fishing.

FREE CAMPGROUND USE - completely outfitted canoe parties may use our Moose Lake tent sites free before and after their trip. We'll provide the camping gear at no extra charge.

DULUTH & HIBBING AIRPORT VAN SERVICES: Our shuttle service between the Duluth Airport and Ely is \$250 for a van holding 1-3 people, \$275 for 4-6, \$300 for 7-9. Hibbing Airport is \$225 for 1-3 people, \$250 for 4-6, \$275 for 7-9. These are all "one way" quotes.

FISHING LICENSES - Ontario Licenses (Quetico)
Mn Fishing Licenses (BWCA) (Listed in Canadian Funds)
Nonresident (72 hr.) \$37.00 8-day Individual \$58.06
Nonresident 7-day 44.00 8-day Conservation 33.92
Non-Res Seasonal 52.00 Yearly Individual 88.92
Hus. & Wife 14-day 55.00 Yearly Conservation 56.17
Res. Individual 26.00 *Outdoor Card - 9.68
Res. Husband & Wife 40.00 *(needed w/all Ontario Licenses)
Youth Age 16 & 17 6.00

Children under age 16 are included free on parent's MN license and under age 18 on Ontario License. A MN license purchase requires your social security number.

OUR STORE - We have a complete supply of fishing tackle, camping gear, gifts, and souvenirs at our Ely store, as well as the largest selection of freeze-dried foods in the area.

SATELLITE PHONE RENTALS: If you definitely need to stay in contact with someone back home then consider our satellite phone rental. Also gives peace of mind knowing that help can be called should someone in the group get sick or sustain a serious injury. The rental cost is \$25 daily or \$150 weekly.

WHY CHOOSE US AS YOUR OUTFITTER -

- 1) We're experienced and knowledgeable. We have outfitted more people for canoe trips and have been under the same management longer than any other outfitter. Serving the canoeist since 1946!
- 2) Since we have two bases of operation (downtown Ely and Moose Lake) we are able to quickly service all area entry points.
- 3) CCO is family owned and operated. Outfitting camping and fishing trips is our only business so we direct our entire attention towards assuring you a safe, exciting, and memorable time.
- 4) We are willing to honor half-day rates on rentals, something most other area outfitters will not do.

ORIENTATION - Trip routing, orientation, and all paperwork is taken care of at our downtown Ely outfitting base (conveniently located on Ely's main street, across from the city park). Before you depart on the trip, we'll go over the detailed maps, indicating the better campsites, fishing holes, and scenic points of interest. We will help you plan a route that best suits your needs, whether it be one requiring travel each day or a relaxing base camp. Orientation also includes instructions on use of our equipment, fishing and camping techniques, safety, and more.

STARTING OFF - Complete outfitting includes a free van shuttle to the Lake One, Snowbank, Fall, Mudro, Gabbro, Farm Lake, and South Kawishiwi River entry points. For those groups starting their BWCA or Quetico trips at Moose Lake we maintain a private base that includes on-site canoe rentals, towboat shuttle service, and free protected parking.

Partial Outfitting includes free delivery of rental canoes to the Lake One, Snowbank, Fall, Farm, and Burntside Lake entry points. For all other entry locations we provide cartop carriers or use of a canoe trailer (both free of charge).

If you'd rather leave your vehicle at our downtown Ely outfitting base during the trip then we'll provide a van shuttle to your entry point. Listed below are "one way" costs for a van holding up to 9 people using partial outfitting (most van shuttles are free with complete outfitting.)

*Moose Lake	50.00	**Moose River	95.00	*Burntside	35.00
*Lake One	50.00	**Indian Sioux	110.00	*So. Kawishiwi	60.00
*Snowbank	60.00	*Farm Lake	35.00	*Fall Lake	35.00
*Gabbro	60.00	*Ely Airport	35.00	*Mudro	65.00

*Included Free with Complete Outfitting

**Half Price with Complete Outfitting

We also arrange van shuttles to Crane Lake, Isabella, Saganaga, and Kawishiwi Lake. Contact us for rates.

PARTIAL OUTFITTING - Canoes and camping gear may be rented individually according to the rates listed on the reservation form. We have solo, tandem, 3-seat and 4-seat canoes available.

YOUTH GROUPS: Scouts, Church and other nonprofit youth groups should contact us for special reduced rates.

BWCA ENTRY PERMITS & CAMPING FEES: Entry permits are required for overnight camping in the BWCA. Each permit and campsite allows up to nine people. Larger party sizes would need additional permits and must camp at more than one campsite. Permits are very limited so early reservations are advised. The BWCA camping fee is \$16 per adult per trip, while youth under age 18 pay \$8 per trip.

We'll gladly reserve permits in your behalf but you also have the option of going online and reserving direct with the Permit Center (www.recreation.gov). Each permit requires a \$6 nonrefundable application fee plus a camping fee deposit. You have the option of paying all camping fees in advance or just the \$32 minimum requirement (then pay the remainder upon arrival in Ely).

When we reserve a permit in your behalf we add a \$12 service fee.

QUETICO ENTRY PERMITS & CAMPING FEES: Each Quetico Park entry permit and campsite allows up to 9 people. All camping fees are payable in advance using a Visa or Mastercard. For the Prairie Portage entry point the camping fee amount is \$21.50 per adult per night and \$8.50 for those age 6-17 (in Canadian Funds). Go to www.ontarioparks.com to reserve a permit, or contact us and we'll take care of it on your behalf for a \$12 service fee.

CANADIAN CUSTOMS REQUIREMENTS: Those entering the Quetico Park through the Prairie Portage or Cache Bay Ranger Stations must clear Canadian Customs by mail at least 6 weeks in advance of the trip. We'll provide the necessary RABC form for this clearance once your Quetico entry permit has been secured. The RABC form covers the applicant, spouse, and all dependent children under age 18. The cost is \$30 Canadian. Anyone who has been convicted of a DWI-DUI offense in the past 10 years may be denied access into Canada. In those cases, plan a BWCA trip route.

PASSPORTS: Each person age 16 and older that visit Canada by land or water needs a Passport to re-enter the U.S. after the trip. Those under age 16 only need a copy of their Birth Certificate.

IMPORTANT QUETICO REGULATIONS: Food supplies may not contain cans or glass bottles. Bring Rabie shot papers for your dog. No live bait allowed. Barbless hooks required (you may pinch-down the barbs on the hooks that you presently have). Campsite maximum is 9 people.

MOTORS - Motors are banned in the entire Quetico Park as well as in almost all of the BWCA. Motors are still allowed on the Moose Lake to Basswood Lake route and Fall Lake to Jackfish & Pipestone Bays.

WHAT TO BRING LIST - Personal items to bring.

One extra change of clothes • a light warm jacket • hiking or leather high-top boots • tennis shoes or moccasins for around camp • hat & rain suit

Spring or Fall trips: gloves, long underwear, wool hat, warm jacket.

Other items: toilet articles, bath towel, suntan lotion, insect repellent, first aid kit, flashlight, sunglasses, sharp knife, compass, camera, playing cards, paperback books. Fishing Tackle: rod & reel with 6-12 pound test line, small tackle box, lures such as spoons, Rapalas, spinners, Tiny Torpedos, Whopper Ploppers, jigs with plastic worms, wire leaders, plain hooks & sinkers if planning to use live nightcrawlers or leeches, fish stringer. (We stock a complete supply of lures at our store).

TOW BOAT SERVICE - Ferry service from our Moose Lake base gets you into the more remote waters right away, saving you up to a day's paddling in some cases. The cost to Prairie Portage is \$37 per person, to Birch Lake is \$37, to Ensign (Splash Lake) Portage is \$35. Towing from Moose Lake to Washington Island on Basswood Lake is \$105 per person or \$118 if to Back Bay (A \$275 minimum charge on all Basswood tows. Rates include the truck shuttle fees at Prairie Portage.) Add a 3% Forest Service "user fee."

LODGING BEFORE/AFTER TRIP - We have rooms located next to our store in Ely that hold up to four people. Also available are 3-bedroom rental houses and a 5-bedroom apartment. Lodging costs range from \$24-\$38 per person, depending upon group size. In addition, we have a bunkhouse at Moose Lake for \$18/person.

GUIDES are not necessary in order to have a successful canoe trip. If, however, you feel that your party does need guide service, we can arrange it. Our guides are congenial and very experienced at fishing, camping and canoeing. Guide fees are based on party size, but figure \$325-\$350 a day to cover his wages and outfitting. A definite quote will be sent once we know your party size.