

The White Rim Trail



mountain biking trips

Our 2009 White Rim season was one of the best on record and we were not surprised. This gem of a mountain bike ride offers it all, from stunning National Park scenery to fun rolling hard surface terrain to short challenging technical climbing and ascending.

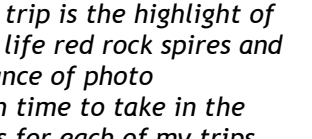
Not only is the terrain diverse but so are the groups that come along for the ride. Families, groups of friends and solo travelers alike. Long time guest Ryan Higginson had this to say:

I have done the White Rim with Holiday five times, and each trip is the highlight of the year for me. The scenery is spectacular. The bigger than life red rock spires and bluffs that are prevalent throughout the ride give an abundance of photo opportunities. Doing the ride in 3 or 4 days allows for enough time to take in the scenery, and still get plenty of biking in each day. The guides for each of my trips have created an atmosphere of lighthearted fun and excitement balanced with plenty of knowledge about the geography and Native Americans who inhabited the area in the past. I'm always impressed with the great food they prepare and the organization around the kitchen. The White Rim trip has always been an unforgettable experience.

Holiday offers both 3-day and 4-day White Rim trips with the longer trip allowing more time to explore side attractions. Detailed trip dates and information are available on our website but for something extra special consider a trip close to or on the full moon cycle: April 30th, May 29th and September 18th. In the spring you can combine your trip with rafting on the May 8, 15, 22 or 29th dates and experience the wild adventure of a high water Cataract trip. Or, if a more peaceful fall trip is what you have in mind, we offer September 4, 11 or 18th combination bike raft trips. Call us now at 1-800-624-6323.

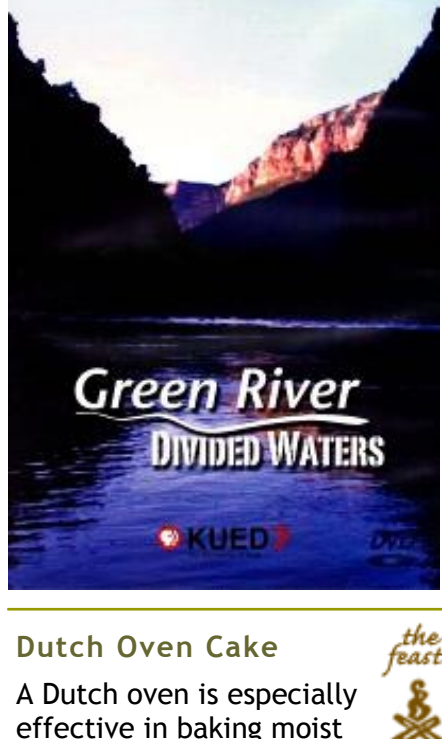
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Holiday has a New Logo!

Holiday has a new logo. At the core of our expeditions on the rivers and trails of the West is the interaction between the *human spirit* and the *natural world*. A connection between us and the wild places we take our rafts and mountain bikes already exists, but to find it, Holiday River's guides first take care of their guest's safety and comfort. That opens the door to relaxing, exploring and just spending time in stunningly beautiful places. Holiday expeditions lends a *helping hand* on our trips to reunite the human spirit with the natural world. Look for our new logo in the new 2010 Holiday River Expeditions catalog.



On TV and DVD:
KUED Documentary Divided Waters

A pipeline has been proposed to draw water from the upper Green River and transport it to as yet un-built suburbs of Denver. This documentary discusses the complicated issues of water law and water development and the impacts this could have on the people and canyons downstream. Holiday provided logistical support and a few of our guides appear.

Divided Waters will be rebroadcast Friday, January 29th at 7pm on KUED and then again on Monday, February 1st at 11pm. Also see a recent Salt Lake Tribune article titled Colorado pipeline proposal stirs water fears by Brandon Loomis.

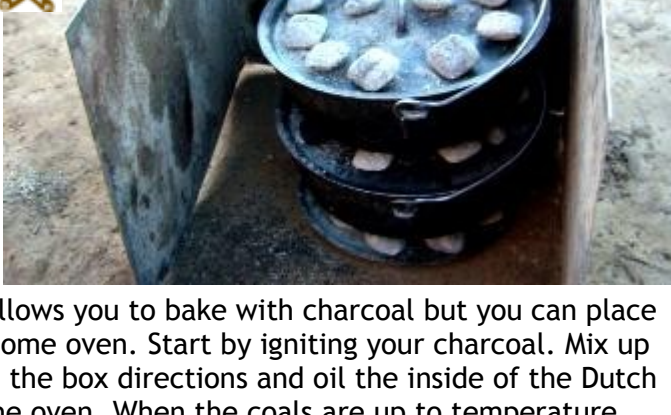
Dutch Oven Cake

A Dutch oven is especially effective in baking moist cakes. Baking in a closed container captures the moisture in the batter and produces a perfect cake.

- Cake mix
- Oil
- Eggs
- Frosting

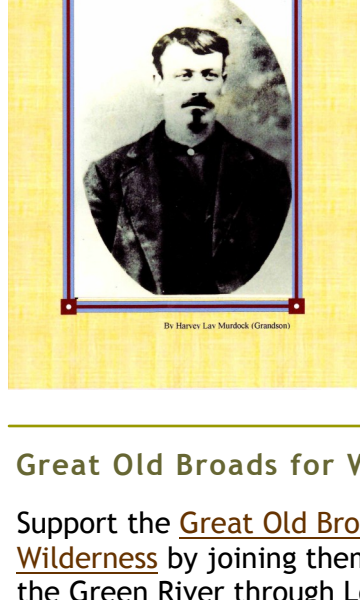
Method:

On the river, a Dutch oven allows you to bake with charcoal but you can place the Dutch oven inside your home oven. Start by igniting your charcoal. Mix up the cake batter according to the box directions and oil the inside of the Dutch oven. Pour the batter into the oven. When the coals are up to temperature (white) place six under the oven and twelve on top. Allow to bake approximately forty minutes. When the cake is nearly ready, you might smell it. Your cake is done when you can insert a knife or toothpick and it comes out clean. Enjoy!



Trip Feedback Winner

The winner of our trip feedback drawing is Randy Cassidy of Park City, UT. Randy and his two sons joined us for an August 1st Main Salmon trip. He is the winner of a 2-day Colorado River trip through Westwater Canyon!

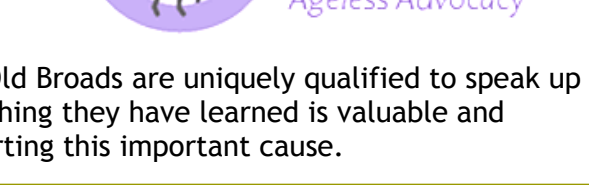


River Read: The Educated Outlaw- The Story of Elzy Lay of the Wild Bunch by Harvey Lay Murdock

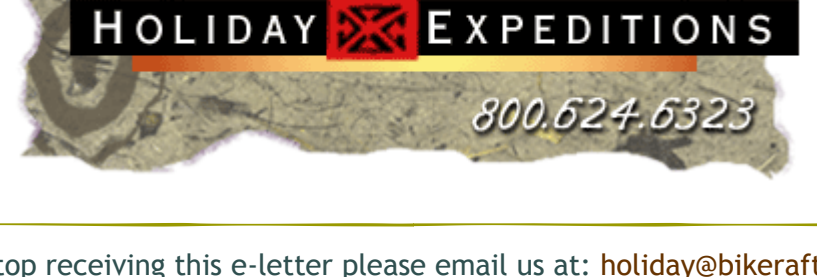
This account of the Wild Bunch outlaw traces the life and history of Elzy Lay from the uniquely personal perspective of his grandson. Harvey Murdock spoke with people who knew Elzy and retells exploits and events in great detail. His research provides us with photos and letters that bring to life the time and place. The book captures a genuine sense of the man from the eyes of the people who knew him and cared about him. And we hear tales of the Wild Bunch and the old West from people who were part of the story. Published in 2009. Available from our bookstore.

Great Old Broads for Wilderness

Support the Great Old Broads for Wilderness by joining them on the Green River through Lodore Canyon on June 26-29, 2010. \$845.00 per person. Holiday River Expeditions will donate 15% of the proceeds to assist



them in their mission. The Great Old Broads are uniquely qualified to speak up for the lands and to protect something they have learned is valuable and important. Please join us in supporting this important cause.



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