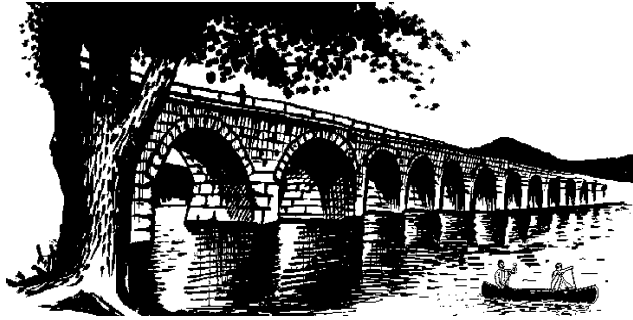


# Canoe & Kayak

## Central Pennsylvania



### Susquehanna River Experience!

Enjoy the Susquehanna River as only a paddler can. Rent a canoe or kayak and take your family and friends on a trip down Central Pennsylvania's scenic Susquehanna River. Picnic or camp on one of the numerous islands; fish this world class smallmouth bass fishery; swim or wade in a secluded cove; or admire the abundant waterfowl and other river critters, including our favorite: turtles. Singles, couples, families, groups, and corporate functions are welcome.

Be sure to check out our Full-Service Paddlesports Store, featuring the area's largest selection of canoes, kayaks, and accessories.

We also offer guide services, lessons, 8-man canoe tours, canoe trailers, custom boat outfitting, and repair services on virtually all types of canoes, kayaks, and paddling gear.

*Check us out! Established in 1985.*

## Blue Mountain Outfitters

**Marysville, Pennsylvania**

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Wed - Sat: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sun & Mon: see inside.

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## River Trips

We rent 1- and 2-person recreational canoes and kayaks. We also rent 1-person touring kayaks. **Boat rentals include paddles and lifevests (PFD's).** The maximum canoe capacity is 2 adults plus 1 or 2 children under 90 pounds each.

Park at Blue Mountain Outfitters (BMO) in Marysville. Our ground transportation (shuttle service) will transport you and the boats to the starting point of your chosen river trip. One popular day trip is from Duncannon to BMO; this trip is 8 miles long and takes an average of 3 to 5 hours. Another popular trip starts at BMO and ends 6 miles downstream at West Fairview -- from there we provide a shuttle back to our shop. Other trips may start and end at locations remote to BMO.

When water levels permit, we use a number of other nearby streams for river trips. Sherman Creek, the Juniata River, and the Conodoguinet Creek are frequently used alternatives. We'll work with you to plan your trip, and then provide the shuttle and boating equipment.

The use of our shuttle service is required with all boat rentals -- no self carry. To determine the total fee, add the boat rental and shuttle fees. Example: 2 canoes, 4 people, Duncannon to Marysville; \$90 + \$30 = \$120 or \$30 a person (+6% PA sales tax).

Give us a call at 717-957-2413 to check trip availability and to make a reservations.

### Rental Rates

Equipment	1 Day	Each Extra Day
1- or 2-Person Canoe	\$45	\$40
1-Person Kayak	\$45	\$40
2-Person Kayak	\$65	\$60
Wetsuit	\$10	\$10
Extra Paddle or PFD; Dry Bag, Cooler, Seat Back, or Center Seat	\$5	\$5

### Shuttle Service Rates

Distance from BMO (miles)	6 - 10	13 - 15	21 - 25
1 to 4 people (on a single reservation)	\$30	\$40	\$50
Each additional person	\$7.50	\$10	\$12.50
Start and finish at Marysville Access: \$5 per boat			
Private boat shuttle: add \$5 surcharge per person			

### Group Discounts

A 10% **rental** discount applies to groups that: (1) have 10 or more paying boat seats, (2) use a single lease agreement, and (3) pay with a single payment. This discount does not apply to shuttle rates.

### Private Boat Shuttle

We provide shuttle service for privately owned boats at the rates listed plus a \$5 per person surcharge.

# River Trips (continued)

## Overnight Camping Trips

Two, three, or more days on the river? Trips start an appropriate distance upstream on the Susquehanna, usually 15 to 43 miles, and end here at BMO. Multi-day paddlers may choose from riverfront commercial campgrounds or primitive island campsites along the Susquehanna River Island Trail. Reservations are recommended for the commercial campgrounds.

## Guide Service

Whether planning outings for Scouting or Church groups, corporate outings in a team building environment, or just a bunch of friends, we offer guide services to fit your needs. If you're not quite comfortable managing a group on your own, consider our guide supported day trip. Sorry, we are not fishing guides and we don't sell bait.

Guide service, one guide for every 5 guest boats. Food services are not included.	\$100 per guide.
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## 8-Man Canoe Tours

We are offering a ride in our eight man "Voyageur" or "War" canoe. Two to six guests and two of our guides will paddle a local stretch of river. Under favorable conditions: three to seven guests and one guide will crew the boat. This is the least demanding way to tour the river by paddle power -- no struggling to keep up -- you're all in the same boat and its ideal for higher-water-levels. Bird watching? Photography? Small parties? Give us a call. This is one of the "funnest" boats we have. Availability is limited in low water.

Local 8-Man Canoe Tour	\$300
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## Lessons - Introduction to Kayaking

Join us on the beautiful Susquehanna for an introduction to kayaking class. Learn paddling technique, water safety and many other skills that will enhance your time on the water. Our classes provide a relaxed and confidence building atmosphere for small groups or individuals (one-on-one). Classes are approximately 3 hours long and begin at BMO - we provide the transportation to and from the class site. Rain or shine, except for extreme weather. Equipment includes: 10' or 12' recreational kayak, PFD and kayak paddle.

Number of students	1	2 to 4
Class with your equipment	\$125	\$75 pp
Class with our equipment	\$170	\$120 pp

## Reservations - Call 717-957-2413

We strongly recommend that you make a reservation for your trip. **Without a reservation we make no promises that either equipment or personnel will be available to facilitate your trip.**

Reservations are secured with a 50% deposit (usually credit card number via phone) and are allocated on a first come - first serve basis. The balance is due at departure.

Cancellation policy: More than 14 days prior to departure date - deposits are 100% refundable less a \$5 processing fee. 2 to 14 days prior - no refund. Day before or day of trip - cancellations will be charged 100% of the trip cost.

Trips run rain or shine except when conditions (severe weather, water stage, and/or water temperature) are determined unsuitable by BMO Management. In this case BMO will reschedule your outing, move your outing to another stream or stream section, or refund your deposit.

## Itinerary

All trips meet at Blue Mountain Outfitters in Marysville. Plan to arrive, river-ready (dressed for the river with all supplies including food and drinks in hand), at your scheduled time. Shuttles depart after paperwork processing, orientation talk or movie, access scouting, and gear loading. To be fair to others, late arrivals may be shifted to the next available shuttle. All trips are due back by 5:30 p.m. on the scheduled return date.

**The late return fee is \$1 per minute per boat.**

## Risk Management

BMO makes every effort to provide the best quality equipment, information, and instruction, but we cannot assume liability for personal injuries, damaged equipment, or lost equipment.

**Before your outing, we require you to sign an equipment lease agreement and a liability release form. A release form that has been signed in advance by a parent or guardian is required for each minor traveling with others. The release form is available on our web site: [www.bluemountainoutfitters.net](http://www.bluemountainoutfitters.net).**

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# River Trips (continued)

## Risk Management (continued)

Water related recreational activities have inherent risks, dangers, and hazards; expose participants to strenuous conditions; and place participants in isolated settings. Assess your physical capabilities accordingly and if you are unsure, check with your doctor.

You will watch a river orientation video before your trip -- pay attention and ask questions if any point is unclear. You must understand and exercise safety measures to **protect yourself** while in the river environment. This is not a precisely controlled amusement park ride.

The ability to swim is an important skill, but don't overestimate your swimming ability. We urge you to wear your PFD at all times, when on or in the water. Be aware that unexpected swims happen and that there are sudden drop-offs on the river bottom.

Any customer who appears intoxicated or under the influence of illegal or controlled substances will not be allowed to board our watercraft. BMO strongly discourages the use of alcohol while on the water.

BMO reserves the right to refuse outing participation to patrons who are not dressed properly for prevailing conditions. BMO river trips are suitable for all skill levels. **The minimum participant age is 6 years.** Our standards for determining suitable conditions are elevated for trips that include children.



## River Notes

If you do bring children with you, we suggest keeping the trip length short and planning lots of layover time. A familiar toy from home (that floats!) helps a lot. We've also found that an aquarium dip net, clear plastic jar with holes punched in the lid, and a small nylon mesh bag for collecting "treasures" tend to keep kids interested for hours. Don't forget the snacks!

Poison Ivy is VERY prevalent along the river corridor. Know how to identify it, and if you're susceptible (or aren't sure), consider using a skin protectant lotion. If you do make contact, rinse well with plain water directly after exposure or, better yet, use an outdoor skin cleanser. Protectants and cleansers are available in our store.

Avoid using perfumes, colognes, and other "sweet" scents -- mosquitoes and biting flies love them as much as you do!

Sunburn is a significant problem on the river. Liberally apply and **reapply** waterproof sunblock -- don't forget the tops of your feet when wearing sandals. Sunglasses, a hat with a brim, and abundant drinking water are also important. Be sure to secure your eyewear with a strap.

Anchors, fragile foam coolers and glass containers of any kind are not permitted! All water sensitive possessions and anything that you want to keep dry (such as lunch) must be protected in waterproof containers -- **sandwich and garbage bags do not provide reliable protection from water.** We have drybags available to rent.

Due to increasing usage of the river islands, all solid human waste and toilet paper must be carried out and disposed of properly. Portable camp toilets and waste kits are available for sale or rent at BMO. It is unlawful to dispose of human waste or soiled containers in normal trash facilities.

PLEASE leave the river as clean as you found it, preferably cleaner. Secure litter in a bag at all times and tie the bag to your boat. Be courteous to others on the river.

## Dressing for the River

### Plan on getting wet -- especially your feet!

Cotton is great in the summer, because it helps keep you cool and provides some sun protection, but cotton does not dry quickly and is **not** suitable for cloudy, cool, wet conditions. Inclement summer weather calls for light layers of quick drying, synthetic tops and bottoms. A water/wind proof shell should also be readily available. Spring and fall demand heavier pile or fleece in combination with paddling jackets and pants. Spring and fall paddlers should consider wool or fleece socks, or neoprene booties. Don't forget the warm hat. When water and air temperatures together total less than 100°, wetsuits or specialized protective clothing are required.

Preferred footwear includes old sneakers, secure sandals, or watershoes. Your footwear should be securely fastened to your feet so that shoreline mud or an inadvertent swim does not take them. No flip-flops, loafers, or bare feet -- broken glass and other sharp objects are a constant threat. Never wear hip boots in the boats.

Bring dry clothes, footwear, and jackets for overnight trips and for the ride home.

## What to Bring -- Suggested Trip Supplies

### Day Trip:

- Drinking water
- Ice
- Sturdy cooler with secure lid
- Swimsuit & towel
- Change of clothing
- Sunglasses
- Foul weather gear
- First aid kit
- Eyewear retainer (strap)
- Extra glasses / contacts
- Hat with brim for sun protection
- Waterproof Sunblock
- Insect repellent
- Poison Ivy protectant
- Trash bag

### Day Trip, Optional:

- Beverages
- Dry bags
- Fishing tackle, bait and license
- Camera & film (waterproofed)
- Binoculars (waterproofed)
- Cellphone (in waterproof case)
- Dry change of clothing

### Overnight Trip

#### (add to Day Trip):

- Dry shoes
- Dry change of clothing
- Tents & ground cloths
- Sleeping bags & pads
- Additional drybags
- Flashlight / headlamp
- Spare batteries & bulbs
- Food
- Eating utensils
- Cook kit
- Backpacking stove & fuel
- Cooking tarp
- Can opener
- Water (minimum 1 gal. per person per day)
- Dishwasher supplies (biodegradable soap)
- Personal toiletries (biodegradable soap)
- Toilet paper & camp toilet
- Waterproof matches & fire starters
- Rope (for clothesline, tarps, ...)

### Overnight Trip, Optional:

- Pillows
- Lantern & fuel
- Camp chairs
- Food prep table

Note: Use the above list as a check-off sheet. Most of these items are available for purchase in our retail store.

## Paddlesports Store

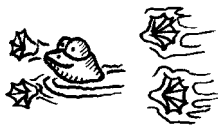
Our store is a **full-service** Paddlesports store. We specialize in one sport only -- **Paddling** -- and we have the **knowledge and experience** to help you select and use the appropriate equipment for YOUR individual paddling needs.

Most of us at Blue Mountain have been paddling for many years and that's the reason we're in this business. Take our paddling experience in combination with the envious position of being able to "tryout" just about anything available today, throw in our teaching experiences for good measure, and you start to understand why we know what works and, more importantly, what doesn't. We also know that just because something "works" for us, it may not "work" for you, your grandmother, or your next door neighbor. We will never try to over sell you, but rest assured, we will not undersell you either!

Certainly, we have a large enough selection of new canoes and kayaks to make choosing your boat more daunting than buying a car, but take heart -- you've come to the right place! After determining your current and future paddling interests, your budget, your physical size (face it, we all come in different sizes and shapes), and the cargo you intend to carry; we can usually narrow the choice down to a boat or two. We'll leave the color selection up to you. This is what a 'Specialty Store' is all about and we're not paddling snobs -- even if you are just starting out.

### **Rent to Buy Program**

Just to make sure you purchase the right boat, we have a Rent-to-Buy Program. Rent a boat for a day or a weekend, purchase a similar boat within 30 days, and deduct one day's rental price from the purchase. Gather up a few friends, rent your selection of boat models, and play musical boats on the way down the river. There is no better way to sort out the differences! We don't have every model in our rental and demo inventory, but we have the touring and recreational lines pretty well covered.



### **Demos by Appointment**

Touring and Recreational Canoes and Kayaks: \$10 per person per boat, 10 minutes per boat, up to 3 boats.

White Water Canoes and Kayaks: \$10 per person per boat, 2 hours maximum, one boat at a time, appropriate skill level and accompanied by another skilled paddler.

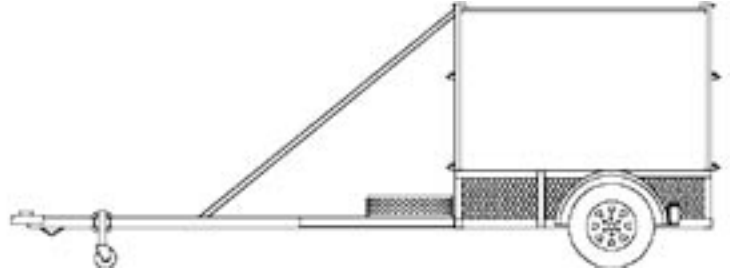
Demo by Appointment fees are refundable upon a boat purchase within 30 days. Call ahead to make an appointment. Weekdays only.

### **Demo Day**

If you are shopping for a new canoe or kayak, this is a wonderful opportunity to try a variety of boats and to talk to factory representatives for many of the products in our store. We host our annual Demo Day at a nearby pond, usually, toward the end of May. Check our website or give us a call for details.

## Canoe and Kayak Trailers

We design, manufacture, and sell canoe and kayak trailers in 2, 4, 8, or 10 boat capacity. The designs have evolved through years of constant use by our own canoe and kayak livery business. The manufacturing process is based on our in-house CAD produced engineering drawings. Custom configurations and options are not a problem.



## Repairs and Outfitting

We know from our own experiences that not all boating maneuvers go as planned and sudden damage can result; also, plain old everyday wear and tear takes its toll on your equipment: boat, paddle, and accessories. We can help. Services available in our shop include: repair of virtually any type canoe or kayak -- refinishing composite boats -- skid plate installation on composite, Royalex®, or polyethylene boats -- rail, thwart, and seat replacement -- custom ash and hardwood deck plate replacement -- paddle repair and refinishing -- polyethylene welding -- and paddling clothing repair; this list goes on and on.

We carry a full line of components to custom outfit a canoe or kayak to your specific paddling needs; if we don't stock the part, we can probably fabricate it. Whether you need a full-blown whitewater outfitting package installed in an open boat, a paddle park installed on the deck of your touring kayak, or an anchor system and rod holder for your fishing kayak, our workshop is equipped to do the job.

Call or stop in to schedule shop work or to get an estimate. We try to keep turn around times quick.

Repair and Outfitting Shop Charges.	\$50.00 per hour, \$50.00 minimum, or quoted price
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# BMO Business Hours

## Store Hours

Monday: Closed (except summer holidays, see below).  
 Tuesday: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. (see below).  
 Wednesday to Saturday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m..  
 Sunday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (seasonal -- see below).

## Sunday, Monday, and Holiday Hours

During "warmer" weather, when our River Trip (rental) business is in operation, we are open on Sundays. The rental season normally runs from spring to fall, but during the marginal times we may be open one Sunday and not the next, depending on the daily weather and river conditions. If there is any doubt, please give us a call.

We are open on summer holidays that fall on a Monday (Memorial Day, Labor Day, and, perhaps, Fourth of July) and closed the next day.

We are closed Columbus Day weekend for our annual staff retreat (Friday through Monday.)



## Our Web Site

For additional trip, product and service information, liability release forms, maps, extended shuttle prices, hours, and just plain fun stuff; visit our web site:

[www.bluemountainoutfitters.net](http://www.bluemountainoutfitters.net)

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