

## Rafting on Shuya River — Detailed description

Trip Length: 3    Group: 8-16    Departure: Fixed    Period: December - January

### Trip overview

Here is a route that is full of emotions and at the same time easy and safe, on one of the most beautiful Karelian rivers, the Shuya. The program's flexibility allows tourists of all ages and physical conditions to participate. The rapids encountered are sometimes quite serious, but there is always the possibility to switch dangerous places by foot. You will still be able to assess your strengths with our guides and make the adequate decision.

During three days, we will be in complete autonomy and "spared" from the civilization. Nights in tents, meals will be prepared on fire!

### Highlights

- Easy and accessible itinerary for families with children
- Immersion in nature away from civilization
- Discovery of the most popular river in Karelia

### Tour type

ACTIVENATURE

### Difficulty

Moderate - 3-5 hours of physical activity daily

### Comfort

Basic — most of nights in tents or rooms with shared WC, some nights in comfortable rooms.

### Beginning / end of the tour

Tour starts: Petrozavodsk, End of the tour: Petrozavodsk

## Program

### Day 1 — Preparation and rafting start

07:50 — Arrival to Petrozavodsk Railway Station

08:30 — Breakfast

10:00 — Transfer at Khautavaara (Хайтаваара)

13:00 — Lunch en route (picnic)

14:00 — Starting of the navigation

17:00 — Setting up of the camp

19:00 — Dinner

Night under tents

Hotels: Camping,

### Day 2 — Continuation of the rafting

09:00 — Breakfast

10:00 — Continuation of the descent of Shuya

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13:00 — Outdoor lunch  
16:00 — setting up of the camp  
19:00 — Dinner near the fire  
Night under tents  
Hotels: Camping,

### Day 3 — Return to Petrozavodsk

09:00 — Breakfast  
10:00 — Rafting  
13:00 — Lunch  
14:00 — Russian banya  
15:00 — Transfer to Petrozavodsk  
19:30 — Arrival to Petrozavodsk

### Departures

Start	End	Basic price per person
06.05.2023	08.05.2023	17500.00 RUB
02.06.2023	04.06.2023	17500.00 RUB
10.06.2023	12.06.2023	17500.00 RUB
16.06.2023	18.06.2023	17500.00 RUB
23.06.2023	25.06.2023	17500.00 RUB
30.06.2023	02.07.2023	17500.00 RUB
07.07.2023	09.07.2023	17500.00 RUB
14.07.2023	16.07.2023	17500.00 RUB
21.07.2023	23.07.2023	17500.00 RUB
28.07.2023	30.07.2023	17500.00 RUB
04.08.2023	06.08.2023	17500.00 RUB
11.08.2023	13.08.2023	17500.00 RUB
18.08.2023	20.08.2023	17500.00 RUB
25.08.2023	27.08.2023	17500.00 RUB
01.09.2023	03.09.2023	17500.00 RUB

### Note


If you need some extra equipment, please, contact us about the rent. Train tickets are available as an option, please, ask us. If you are traveling with children, please indicate their age when booking - discounts apply. Neoprene wetsuit rental for those who wish - 3 000 roubles / per pers. / for the tour duration.

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## What's included

### Price includes

- Russian-speaking guide services
- Transport as per itinerary
- Camping outfit rental
- Dry bag rental
- Raft and equipment rental
- Meals according to the program

### Price does not include

- English-speaking guide services
- Medical insurance
- Railway tickets
- Sleeping bag rental

## Recommended checklist

Sunglasses

Raincoat or wind and waterproof shell jacket (with hood !)

Large 60 litres backpack

POLARTEC or similar pullover

Shorts

T-shirts

Socks

Cap or hat to protect against sun

Sunscreen for skin and lips

Fleece jacket or warm sweater

Thick socks

Towel

Swimsuit

Important travel documents: Passport and visa, original or electronic airplane tickets (with a sets of photocopies kept separately), bank card

Photo / video camera

Flip-flop or kayak shoes

1 or 2 thermal lightweight sweater(s)

## Meals

If you are a vegetarian or have any particular preferences, please let us know, so we could adapt the menu.

Lunch cooked on an open fire.

Breakfast and dinner prepared on fire, bivouac. Lunch at the picnic, hot water in thermos.

## Visa

You need a tourist visa to travel to Russia. It can be issued for a maximum period of 30 days. Your passport has to be valid for at least six months after the expiry date of your visa and to have at least two blank pages.

BaikalNature offers visa support and has created "BaikalNature letter of invitation" package. If you buy a BaikalNature tour, this package is absolutely free; when you buy any other BaikalNature service, you will have to pay for this package.

For more information please contact your nearest Russian Embassy or Visa Application Center.

## Money

The Russian currency is ruble. In all cities and many large villages of Russia, you can easily withdraw rubles, using a Visa or MasterCard, from ATMs, located in banks, department stores or hotel lobbies, some of them are open 24 hours a day. If you have euros or dollars with you, exchange offices will allow you to change them easily in the cities, seldom in the countryside. However, it can be difficult to exchange traveler's checks, even in cities.

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## Tipping

All persons who compose the BaikalNature travel team (guides, drivers, cooks, etc.) are paid a decent wage for their services and do not expect any tips from you. So you have no obligation to leave anything. If you really want to express your satisfaction by leaving a gratuity, and if it is in foreign currency, be aware that torn or glued coins and banknotes cannot be exchanged. Anyway, thank you for your tips, left at your discretion in envelopes.

## Health

No compulsory vaccination.

## Emergency Contact

In Western Russia, you can contact BaikalNature by phone: +7 499 705 65 58

## Legal Mentions

Professional Guarantees: BaikalNature LLC (ООО "БайкалНейче"), United Federal Register of Tour Operators number: RTO 009402.  
Financial Guarantee: "Gaide insurance company" JSC (АО "Страховая компания Гайде"). Insurance contract N 7890/22-49 from September 19, 2022. Amount of coverage: 500 000 RUB. Legal and actual address: BaikalNature LLC, 55 Dekabrskikh Sobyti Str., office 405.2 664007 Irkutsk Russia

## Security

The travelers' security is our primary aim and also the long-term reputation of our travel agency. First-aid kit, adapted for this tour, is available at your guide.

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