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In Southwest Missouri

Float 3 miles of the Elk River from Cowskins, MO 2 hrs away.

1hr 44min Cowskin Canoe Rental, (417) 775-2448	36.63260 -94.58582
1hr 52min Wayside Campground, 6 mile \$40, (417) 475-3230	36.54876 -94.49532
1hr 55min Two Sons Floats & Camping, 4 & 8 Mile \$35, (417) 475-4774	36.56175 -94.47538
1hr 56min Shady Beach Campgrounds, 5 miles \$35, (800) 745-6481	36.57950 -94.46470
1hr 59 min Elk River Floats, 6 mile \$40, (417) 475-3230	36.58615 -94.45493
2hrs 1min Elk River Floats & Campground, 6 mile \$40, (417) 475-3561	36.54784 -94.45938
2hrs 3min Kozy Camp, 8 mile \$40, (417) 223-4586	36.58945 -94.38888
2hrs 5min Gracie's Canoe Camp, \$20 / person, (417)223-4413	36.58693 -94.39090
2hrs 6 min Lazy Days Campground, 4-8 mile \$32, (417) 223-3498	36.57905 -94.40536

Big Sugar Creek & Elk River

The Elk River & its tributary, Big Sugar Creek, are favorite float with canoeists. Big Sugar has good camping & fishing in the **Pineville & Noel** areas.

Big Sugar Creek Accesses McDonald county

- 0.0 In high water, a put-in may be made on Big Sugar at the Roller Bridge 36.57463 -94.14139 . Hwy 90 & KK. A CR parallels much of the creek from here to **Powell**.
- 5.5 **Powell**. Road is close to creek & bridges make this a good put-in area. Hwy E Bridge at Powell 36.62145 -94.18009
- 6.0 Bentonville Hollow creek 36.61615 -94.18232
- 6.8 Low-water bridge on creek road. 36.62410 -94.18649 Mikes Creek on right. Creek road (south bank) shortest route to **Cyclone**. A few poor places in the road.
- 7.8 **Kings Valley creek** on right 36.63453 -94.19843 or 36.63337 -94.19549.
- 12.3 End of Hwy V at **Little Cedar Hollow** 36.63500 -94.25996.
- 14.6 **Cyclone low-water bridge**. 36.63309 -94.26918 or 36.61792 -94.25619 Camping, swimming & good access. Many floats start here. Best put-in for normal water. Creek road from here to **Pineville**.
- 20.4 MDC **Deep Ford** Public Access at 36.61689 -94.35263.
- 20.9 **Low-water bridge at "Crag O Lea."** Good access. 36.61016, -94.35123
- 22.4 **"Sugar Beach"** cottages.
- 23.9 Big Sugar Creek divides at 36.61016 -94.35123 Left channel flows into Little Sugar Creek & bypasses Pineville.
Right channel is the old channel and shorter.
- 24.3 Little Sugar Creek joins to form Elk River. The lower part of Little Sugar Creek is floatable in normal water.

Elk River Accesses McDonald county

- Bus 71 Bridge** 36.58154 -94.45041
- 24.5 **Hwy 71 Bridge**. Kozy Kamp. Private. 36.58945 -94.38888
- Lazy Days Campground 36.57946 -94.40505
- 25.9 Road close on left. 36.56708 -94.42805
- Roadside parking 36.58002 -94.45413
- 27.4 Road on left at Riverside Inn.
- 30.3 Indian Creek 36.58385 -94.45013 doubles volume of river. **This confluence is a great fishing place**. Indian Creek is a good float stream & is described separately. Water fast & heavy just below here at high water. Use caution at bridge.
- 30.7 **Kansas City Southern R.R. Bridge**, closely followed by **low-water bridge** 36.58531 -94.45457.
- 31.2 Ginger Blue Resort 36.58895 -94.45826
- 31.7 **"Shady Beach,"** 36.58119 -94.46376 campground & take-out
- 32.0 MDC **Mt Shira Access**, Noel, 36.57837 -94.46363
- 35.0 Mouth of **Butler Creek**, at Noel, 36.55233 -94.48551 is adjacent to Hwy 59 & 90. Take-out or continue down **Shadow Lake**.
- 35.4 **Hwy 59 Bridge over Shadow Lake** 36.54906 -94.49348.
- 35.8 **Dam**. Portage. 36.55363 -94.49643

- 36.3 Road close on right. Fair put-in.
 37.8 Henderson's Campground. Private. Good put-in.
 45.3 **MDC Cowskin Access**, Hwy 43 Bridge, Anderson, 36.63148 -94.58790.
 47.3 Oklahoma state line. Elk River becomes Lake of the Cherokees.

Indian Creek

This creek is suitable mainly for spring floats with one of the best general gradients in the Ozarks. It is a good, steady & fast over undisturbed countryside.

Accesses Newton, McDonald counties

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| 0.0 Hwy D Bridge access in spring or high water only. | 36.79314 -94.24484 |
| 0.5 Spring Branch on left. | |
| 3.5 Wolfenbrager Bridge on Spruce Drive off Raccoon Road. | 36.76217 -94.27247 |
| 7.4 Mill Dam at Erie McNatt . Stream backed up for half a mile above this. Portage over dam. Rift below dam is hard on canoes except in high water. | 36.79314 -94.24484 |
| 8.4 Elkhorn Creek on right. | 36.72464 -94.32179 |
| 10.1 Old bridge 3.5 miles east of Goodman just off Hwy C. Private. | 36.73033 -94.34604 |
| 11.1 Bullskin Creek on right. | 36.72238 -94.35910 |
| 13.1 Mayfield Bridge . | 36.70241 -94.37774 |
| | 36.65706 -94.42041 |
| 18.8 Seller's Ford low-water bridge . Hwy 71 & Anderson are .5 miles west. | 36.65160 -94.43010 |
| 19.3 Indian Creek Campground at Hwy 71 Bridge. | 36.65010 -94.43389 |
| 19.8 Hwy 76 Bridge . Cedar Str | 36.64085 -94.43097 |
| 21.3 Town Hole Access on right, next to Post Office in Anderson . Must carry canoes/kayaks to river. Fair access. | |
| 21.6 Iron Canning Factory Bridge on CR south of Anderson . | 36.64625 -94.44811 |
| 24.5 Concrete slab at Bosky Dell Ford , not shown on maps. If there is water over the slab, approach with caution! It is slippery, and there is a 4 foot drop below it. Except in high water, portage right. | |
| 25.1 Lanagan City Park , | 36.60669 -94.44663 . Access on right. |
| 25.5 Hwy EE Bridge . | |
| 27.0 Elk River . | 36.58391 -94.45037 |
| Next access at low-water bridge .4 mile downstream | 36.58493 -94.45469 |
| or at Mt. Shira Access 1.3 miles beyond that, on right with gravel ramp | 36.57834 -94.46368 |

Little Sugar Creek

This Elk River tributary is floatable in good, normal water. Difficulty: mostly II, seldom over.
 Gradients: general - 9.

Accesses McDonald county.

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| 0.0 Put in at Hwy 90 Bridge northeast of Jane | 36.55223 -94.28371 . |
| 1.6 Griffin Ford low-water bridge | 36.56593 -94.30522 , Hwy 71 is .6 mile southwest. |
| 6.9 Havenhurst Mill Dam & Hwy K Bridge | 36.58410 -94.37336 . Portage left. Falls below dam too shallow to run. |
| 7.9 Elk River | 36.58816 -94.38348 . |

