Kentucky River Water trail River Length -249

Pool 8 located below Lock and dam 9

Date built- Lock 9 was built in 1901-03

Orientation: From Lock 9 we will travel downstream to lock 8. (R) will be the right bank of the river and (L) will be the left bank of the river.

Counties with River frontage in the pool:

Estill, Madison, Clark, Fayette, Jessamine

Length from lock& dam 9 to lock& dam 8

17.6 miles

Access points and directions

- Lock 9* (L)future site of portages(R) Mile 157.5
- Riverfront Boat Dock, Jessamine Co, Mile 157 (R) KY 39 S of Nicholasville, L on Hwy 1541, 300 yards
- Poosey Ridge Ramp, Madison Co, Mile 149.2 (L) KY 52 SW of Richmond, R on Hwy 1295 to Kirksville, R on KY 595 to the river.
- Hunter's Ferry, Garrard, Mile 146.2 (R) KY 39 N of Lancaster through Buckeye to the river.
- KY 39 Ramp, Jessamine Co. 146.1 (R) KY 39 S. of Nicholasville to road end.
- Lock 8* future site of portage Mile 139.9

Points of interest: (floating assessment) Below lock 11 (L) Just below the Lock and dam. Popular fishing right off the shore.

- *Mile 157.5 Lock and dam 9 future portage
- Mile 156.5 (L) Cedar Point Run, beach
- Mile 155.7Marble Creek (R) Beach High Cliff (L)
- Mile 155 Devils Pulpit, Rock
- Mile 154.5 High Cliff (R)
- Mile 152.9 (R) Salt Lion Branch , (L) Boones Run
- Mile 152.5 (L) Christopher Run
- Mile 152.2 (L) Marble Yard Branch
- Mile 151 (L) Stony Fork, (R) Renfro Bar
- Mile 151.2 (L) Silver Creek, (R) Silver Creek Bar
- Mile 149.2 (R) Hunters Run, private
- Mile 149.2 (L) Poosey Ridge, Ramp
- Mile 148.1 (R) Sawmill Run
- Mile 146.2 (R) Wild Horse Branch, private
- Mile 146 (L) Paint Lick Creek, Buckeye Ridge Ramp- Hunters Ferry Crossing
- Mile 146 (R) HWY 39 Ramp, Paint Lick Bar
- Mile 145 (R) Cliff (L) Teeters Branch
- Mile 144.5 (R) Yates Branch
- Mile 142.6 (L) Sugar Creek, (R) Sugar Creek Kayak Ramp
- Mile 141.2 (L) Davis Creek and Bar
- Mile 139* Lock and dam, use extreme caution! Future portage with access will also be on the (R)

Brief description of pool

Pool 8 is a 17.6 mile paddle with a few natural beaches, beautiful views. The rock cliffs are spectacular. The Tree lined river is home to a host of wildlife. And the palisades offer great habitat for bird colonies and bats. It is still very remote undeveloped and a real getaway adventure.

Always take out more trash than you bring in! Practice good stewardship!