

Mark Your Calendars! Four Winds Announces 2001 Schedule



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Sedona, Arizona. — Continuing its quest of providing top-quality, adventure races that invite athletes around the world to push themselves physically and mentally, the Four Winds Adventure Company — now in its sixth year as the longest running mulit-day adventure racing company in the U.S. — is pleased to announce the 2002 season.

The excitement starts this summer in Idaho with the USA Supreme Adventure Race, and will continue through the end of the year.

In addition, Four Winds begins 2001 with its continued alliance with leading entertainment agency Endeavor to work on it's exclusive television projects.

Against the spectacular rugged mountains of America's West, racers will push themselves to the edge and back during **Four Winds Y'021: The USA Supreme Adventure Race**. Taking seven to nine days to finish, the approximately 400-mile expedition-level competition will challenge teams with such venues and skills as mountain biking, white and flat water paddling, horseback riding, ropes course, trekking, swimming, and navigating. The Supreme continues as the longest running, 7+ day expedition level adventure race in the USA.

Mountain Rage/Clear Lake launches the fall lineup, welcoming teams to Northern California Sept. 29 and 30. The short-course event will find competitors racing across the region's diverse topography that features pastoral wine country settings, rolling green hills, alpine eco-systems and the state's largest freshwater lake via hard-shell kayaks, mountain bikes, rappelling ropes and foot.

Wrapping up the year is **Mountain Rage/Lake Mead**, as racers head toward the cerulean blue waters of Lake Mead Nov. 3 and 4. Straddling Nevada and Arizona, the stark and dramatic landscape features wild horses and petroglyphs against the nighttime glittering backdrop of Las Vegas and fall temperatures that drop sharply in the unforgiving desert. Participants will trek, paddle, swim, mountain bike, rappel and navigate across a 100-mile course.

Maintaining the team aspect of adventure racing, Four Winds competitions feature four race categories in which athletes can compete:

Four-person, mixed gender premiere division

Four-person open division

Two -person, mixed gender division

Two -person open division

As in previous seasons, teams will accumulate points over the course of the year for each race, culminating in an overall Mountain Rage Series champion. Team Epinephrine, Mountain Rage Series 2000 winner, will receive a free entry into Four Winds =01: The USA Supreme Adventure Race/Idaho.

The Four Winds Adventure Company continues its policy of early registration discounts for all races. Registrations will be accepted, beginning in January.