

FLAMBEAU RIVER SOUTH FORK (FS1)

Put-in Lugerville, Rocky Carrie Park
Take-out County W Bridge
Distance 10.4 miles
Approximate Time 4 hours
Most Difficult Rapids Class 2

Elevation Drop 45 feet
Average Gradient 4.5 feet per mile
Minimum Suggested Flow No USGS Gage
Water Level Info / Phone Flambeau River State Forest HQ
 715.332.5271

Paddler's Notes

- 23.9 Mile Rocky Carrie Park Access, Lugerville** **River:** This scenic park offers easy access where the river forms a wide pool in the outflow from Rocky Carrie Rapids. Downstream, the river narrows and quietly flows past dense forest and marsh. **Shuttle:** On County Highway F in Lugerville, turn north onto Rocky Carrie Rd and drive for 0.7 mile to Rocky Carrie Park. Hand carry access, picnic area, parking.
- 22.8 Mile County F Bridge Access, Lugerville** **River:** The river is calm and slow for about 3/4 of a mile until Kashinski Rapids. An ATV bridge spans the river 400 yards downriver from the road bridge. Hardwoods and brush cover both banks. **Shuttle:** On County Highway F, the bridge is on the west side of Lugerville. The river access is 50 yards east of the bridge where a narrow track leads down to the river. Hand carry access, roadside parking.
- 22.2 Mile Mount Pelee Creek, Kashinski Rapids (Class 1)** The marshy outlet of Mt Pele Creek is on river left, just before a sharp right bend. The rapids occur after the bend where the river splits around a tiny island. Both forks are navigable during normal flows. Below the rapids, occasional riffles occur over the next 0.8 mile until Stonewall Rapids.
- 21.4 Mile Stonewall Rapids (Class 2)** The river constricts and picks up speed as it heads into Stonewall Rapids. A fun class 2 named after a stone wall on the left bank below the rapids. Scout from river left. More rapids follow a brief stretch of calm water.
- 20.1 Mile Smith Creek** A series of riffles runs past the wide creek mouth, which enters from river right.
- 19.9 Mile Niebauer Springs River Access** **River:** The landing is on river left in a long right bend. A white sign reads 'Niebauer Pond Landing'. The river moves slowly throughout this stretch with lots of overhanging trees, and dense underbrush covering the banks. **Shuttle:** From County F, turn south onto South Fork Road, then turn west onto Crane & Chase Road, then turn north onto Access River Road. An entrance sign reads 'Flambeau River Access below Niebauer Springs State Fishery Area'. The river is a short hike down a jeep track from the parking area. Hand carry access, trailer turnaround, parking.
- 19.1 Mile Rock Ledge Rapids (Class 1-2)** About a third of a mile past a large island you will come upon a large stone shelf on the right bank. The rapids begin downstream and run for over 200 yards through a long left bend. There is a spot on river right for paddlers to either rest or camp.
- 18.4 Mile Davis Rapids (Class 1-2)** Riffles and scattered boulders lead into a short, tight, and fast boulder garden. The rapids require some maneuvering around several large boulders. The whitewater ends in a wide pool with several islands.
- 18.0 Mile Clubhouse Rapids (Class 1)** The river flows through a right bend and constricts into a short, rocky rapids. A wide pool and several islands follow.
- 17.1 Mile Flambeau Town Access** **River:** The landing is on river left in a long stretch of flat-water, surrounded by dense forest. A white sign that reads 'Flambeau Town Access' marks the access. **Shuttle:** From County F, turn south onto S Fork Road, then turn east onto Crane and Chase Road, then turn north onto River Rd, then turn left onto Power Line Road, the river access is at the end. A wide grassy trailer access lane leads down to the river. Trailer access ramp, parking.

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- 16.5 Mile Nelson Creek** The wide mouth of Nelson Creek is on river right.
- 15.7 Mile Carl's Rapids (Class 1)** The rapids run for 150 yards through a right bend. They're more riffles than rapids during normal and higher flows.
- 14.0 Mile Elk River Confluence** The river enters from river left near two large islands. Several small islands appear as you approach the Highway W Bridge.
- 13.5 Mile County W Bridge Landing** **River:** The Landing is on river left, immediately below the County W Bridge. **Shuttle:** On County W, east of the bridge, turn south onto Down River Road. The landing entrance is immediately on your right, where a wide, rutted lane leads down to the river. Hand carry access, parking.

Driving Directions (Google Maps)



Lugerville, County F Access



Niebauer Springs Access



Flambeau Town access



County W Bridge Landing

GPS - NAD83 / WGS84

Lugerville, County F Access	45.77784,-90.51336
Mt Pele Creek	45.77118,-90.51859
Kashinski Rapids	45.77092,-90.52002
Stonewall Rapids	45.76385,-90.52948
Smith Creek	45.75653,-90.54988
Niebauer Springs Access	45.75340,-90.55087
Rock Ledge Rapids	45.75107,-90.56941
Davis Rapids	45.74640,-90.57408
Clubhouse Rapids	45.74101,-90.57453
Flambeau Town Access	45.73590,-90.59116
Carl's Rapids	45.73089,-90.60298
Elk River Confluence	45.70958,-90.61439
County W Bridge Landing	45.70357,-90.61622