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Angling Guide to Ireland's South West



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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to this practical guide to angling in the South West of Ireland. It covers Game, Sea and Coarse angling. We have designed it to address the many questions that anglers invariably have when visiting a new area or country. We hope that this information is helpful and that you have an enjoyable and productive trip to the South West of Ireland.

We are proud of the quality of our angling and environment and while our region has a reputation for being wild, mystical and remote, it also boasts a level of luxury and infrastructure comparable to anywhere in the world.

GETTING DOWN TO BASICS

RULES AND REGULATIONS

This is one area where anglers are often confused, especially on their first visit to a new country or region. Luckily the situation in Ireland is not complex though there are some regional variations that anglers need to be aware of. These are discussed in detail. Please note that there is a plastic pocket at the back of this guide that contains any new angling information.

GAME ANGLING

For ease of use we have broken down the Game Angling section into two districts: CORK and KERRY. While we have listed the larger river systems in some detail there are also many other smaller systems that offer excellent angling. The South West abounds with mountain lakes and these can be truly spectacular offering superb angling for free rising wild Brown Trout.

We also stock Rainbow Trout in a number of lakes throughout the South West on a weekly basis during the angling season. Boats are available for hire at some lakes. These are clearly marked on the relevant maps in this guide. In addition we stock one lake for Winter Trout Fishing in Ballinlough, Leap.



GAME ANGLING INFORMATION

SALMON AND SEA TROUT

Rivers and lakes in the South West open for angling at different times. However you will be able to go Salmon and Sea Trout angling from as early as the 17th of January up to the end of September. Generally the more productive times are as follows:

| | | |
|--------|---|--------------------|
| Season | Spring Salmon (multi sea winter salmon) | March to May. |
| | Grilse (one sea winter salmon) | June to September. |
| | Sea Trout | May to September. |

STATE ROD LICENCE

When intending to fish for Salmon or Sea Trout you need to purchase a State Rod Licence before you go angling. These are readily available from most tackle shops, IFI Macroom offices and other outlets. In order to accommodate the angler there are a variety of licence options ranging from a national (all districts) full season to a one day district tourist licence. Ireland is divided into a number of fishery districts or areas and therefore, as a rule of thumb, if you are intending to travel around Ireland an 'all districts' licence would be your best bet. Below is the complete list of the State Rod Licence options available.

- All districts/regions full season.
- All districts/regions full season – juvenile.
- District, full season.
- 21 day (tourist). All Districts
- One day (tourist). All Districts
- Foyle area extension.

LOGBOOKS AND TAGS

When you purchase your State Rod Licence you will be issued with a log book and one or more Tags depending on the time of year. You are required to tag any Salmon that you kill. Similarly you must tag any Sea Trout over 40cm that you kill. Fill in your log book when you tag your fish.

• Please Note that Game Angling Regulations and Opening and Closing Times of Rivers and Lakes are Subject to change on an annual basis for conservation reasons. Also Note some rivers may remain closed for Salmon Angling for the entire season. See list at back.

The tagging and logbook system is very straightforward however if you have any questions please contact the local IFI Macroom or the outlet where you bought your licence and they will be happy to assist you.

GAME ANGLING INFORMATION

In addition to your State Rod licence you will most likely have to purchase a fishing permit for the waters you intend to fish. Some State waters are permit free such as Lakes of Killarney and Lough Currane though usually most Salmon and Sea Trout waters carry a permit charge. The permit cost starts at around €20 per day with the average being €40.

Please note that the amount charged does not necessarily reflect the quality of the angling that you will experience. Some State waters for instance are very keenly priced so as to accommodate all anglers.

Further information on rules and regulations from;

WEB www.fisheriesireland.com **EMAIL** info@fisheriesireland.com

GAME FISH



ATLANTIC SALMON
Bradán



SEA TROUT
Breac Geal



BROWN TROUT
Breac Donn



RAINBOW TROUT
Breac Tuar Ceatha

KERRY GAME ANGLING FISHERIES

CLOONEE LAKE SYSTEM – General MAP No.1

This attractive fishery on the South side of Kenmare Bay is approximately 16 Kms from Kenmare in County Kerry and a similar distance from Castletownbere in County Cork. It consists of 4 main lakes with short rivers joining them. The lakes contain large quantities of Brown Trout averaging 200g in weight and also get a small run of Sea Trout and Salmon. Boats are available for hire.

| | | |
|-------------------|-------------|--|
| SEASON | Salmon | 15th March to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 15th March to 30th September. |
| | Brown Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Mary O'Shea | Lake House, Cloonee, Tuosist, Killarney, Co Kerry. |
| | John O'Hare | Fishing Tackle Shop, Kenmare, Co Kerry. |

RIVER SHEEN – MAP No.18

This spate river is one of three rivers that enters the sea at Kenmare, Co Kerry. It gets a fair run of Spring Salmon from March and the run of Grilse arrives in mid June. There is a further run of big Salmon in the late part of the season.

| | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| SEASON | Salmon | 15th March to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Sheen Falls Hotel | Kenmare, Co Kerry. (www.sheenfallsdodge.ie) |

RIVER CROANSHAUGH AND GLANMORE LAKE – MAP No.19

This short spate river system is extremely prolific with good runs of Spring Salmon that arrive in March. Grilse and Sea Trout arrive in mid June to late July. This, like all river systems in Kerry is situated in a very picturesque part of the region.

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 15th March to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |
| | Brown Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Keith Johnson Estate Agents | Pier Road, Kenmare. |

KERRY GAME ANGLING FISHERIES

RIVER ROUGHTY – MAP No.17

This lovely river drains a catchment area of over 125 square Kms and is approximately 32 Kms long. It gets a nice run of Spring Salmon and a very good run of lively Grilse from mid June to late July. It also gets a reasonable run of Sea Trout. Angling access is good throughout the system and this is a very enjoyable and picturesque river to fish. Two angling organisations manage most of this river and permits are available.

| | | |
|-------------------|----------------------------|---|
| SEASON | Salmon | 15th March to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |
| | Brown Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | John O'Hare Quills Shop | Fishing Tackle Shop, Kenmare, Co Kerry. Kilgarvan, Co Kerry. |

RIVER BLACKWATER – MAP No.6

This river and lake system drains a catchment area of 52 square Kms and is 16 Kms from its source to sea. It is managed by IFI Macroom and gets in the region of 1500 Salmon and Grilse every year. It also has a run of Sea Trout that head up to the beautiful Lough Brin. Access is well developed and the river is run as a model for sustainable development. There are two boats available for hire on Lough Brin.

| | | |
|-------------------|--|--|
| SEASON | Salmon | 15th March to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 15th March to 30th September. |
| | Brown Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | The Manager | Blackwater Fishery, Kenmare, Co Kerry. Tel: 087 2241095 |
| | The Blackwater Tavern (Public House and shop) | Blackwater, Co Kerry. |



KERRY GAME ANGLING FISHERIES

RIVER SNEEM MAP No.5

This short spate river is very similar in size to the Blackwater system and gets good runs of fish annually. Day permits are available.

| | | |
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| SEASON | Salmon | 15th March to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |
| | Brown Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |

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| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Joli Coeur Crafts Sneem Angling Club | South Square, Sneem, Co. Kerry Tourist Office, Sneem, Co Kerry. |
|----------------------|---|--|

WATERVILLE LAKES AND RIVER SYSTEM – MAP No.8

The rivers and lakes of Waterville drain a large catchment area and are regarded by many as some of the best Salmon and Sea Trout fisheries in the country. The lake system is well developed with access to good quality boats. Guides are readily available and are very competent. The Sea Trout caught here are renowned for their size and quantity. The upper lakes system is extremely picturesque and a beautiful place to go fishing.

| | | |
|--------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 17th January to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 17th January to 30th September. |

| | | |
|----------------------|---|---|
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Waterville Fishery Development Group | (www.loughcurrane.com) |
| | Kevin Brain | Waterville Angling, Main St. Waterville, Co. Kerry |
| | Michael O'Sullivan | Waterville Boats, Waterville, Co. Kerry |

CARAGH RIVER AND LAKE – MAP No.7

This river and lake system drains a catchment area of around 106 square Kms and gets good runs of Salmon and Grilse every year. The lake holds a large stock of free rising wild Brown Trout which are great fighters and the occasional Artic Char. The lower fishery is noted for its Sea Trout fishing. Boats are readily available for rent on the lake.

| | | |
|--------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 17th January to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |
| | Brown Trout | 15th February to 12th October. |

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| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Mike O'Shea | Upper Carragh Fishery, Glencar, Co. Kerry |
|----------------------|-------------|---|

KERRY GAME ANGLING FISHERIES

RIVERS LAUNE, FLESK AND KILLARNEY LAKES SYSTEM – MAP No.9,10,11

This is a large catchment area of 520 square Kms that offers some superb angling. It gets good runs of Salmon and Grilse throughout the season. Sea Trout fishing is concentrated on the river Laune. The lakes and rivers of this system have very good populations of fair sized Brown Trout that eagerly accept a fly. Large Ferox Brown Trout can be caught on Lough Lein by trolling artificial baits. Access is good throughout and boats and guides are available.

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|--------|-------------|---------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 17th January to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 17th January to 30th September. |
| | Brown Trout | 15th February to 12th October. |

| | | |
|----------------------|---|--|
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Inland Fisheries Ireland, Sunnyside House Macroom, Co.Cork | Tel; 026 41221, 41222. Fax 026 41223. |
| | O'Neills Tackle Shop | 6, Plunkett Street, Killarney, Co Kerry. |
| | The Laune Salmon Anglers Club | } Enquire locally |
| | Lough Lein Anglers Club | |
| | Clonkeen Anglers Club | |
| | Mrs.Joan O'Sullivan | Beaufort Bridge, Killarney, Co. Kerry |
| | McCarthy's Filling Station | Fossa, Killarney, Co.Kerry |

RIVER MAINE – MAP No.12

This is a lovely wild fishery that drains a catchment area of 250 square Kms. Access is challenging throughout the system presenting a real wilderness experience. The river gets a good late run of Salmon and Grilse and also a very good run of sizeable Sea Trout all through the season.

| | | |
|--------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 17th March to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 17th March to 30th September. |
| | Brown Trout | 17th March to 12th October. |

| | | |
|----------|---|--|
| CONTACTS | Inland Fisheries Ireland, Sunnyside House Macroom, Co.Cork | Tel; 026 41221, 41222. Fax 026 41223. |
| | Landers Outdoor World | Mile Height, Tralee, Co Kerry. |



CORK GAME ANGLING FISHERIES

RIVER LEE – MAP No.13

This is a prolific river that drains a catchment area of 775 square Kms. It is dominated by two large reservoirs that hold some really large Brown Trout. Salmon angling is confined to a 13 Km stretch from Inniscarra Dam to Cork City. Parts are permit free.

| | | |
|-------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 1st February to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 1st February to 30th September. |
| | Brown Trout | 15th February to 12th October. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Cork Salmon Anglers Association Ltd. Lee Salmon Anglers Club E.S.B., Inniscarra Salmon Fishery, Cork | |
| | Enquire at Cork City Fishing Tackle Shops | |

RIVER BANDON – MAP No.15

This is a large river that drains an area of 380 square Kms. Rising in the Sheehy Mountains and travelling down to meet the sea at Kinsale Harbour it offers the angler a wealth of opportunities to fish for Salmon, Sea Trout and Brown Trout. It has excellent catches of 1000 plus Salmon and Grilse every year and similar catches of Sea Trout.

| | | |
|-------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 15th February to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 15th February to 30th September. |
| | Brown Trout | 15th February to 12th October. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | M. Regan David Lamb Tom Feely A. O'Connor Patrick McCarthy Mervyn Jeffers Dan Lynch | |
| | Bandon Angling Association. Kilcoleman Park Fishery. Ballineen/Enniskeane Anglers Club. Manch Fishery, Manch House, Bandon. Dunmanway Salmon & Trout Anglers Jeffersport, 7 Pearse St., Bandon. Halfway Angling Centre, Ballinhassig Co. Cork. | |

RIVER ARGIDEEN – MAP No.16

This lovely river drains a catchment of 90 square Kms and is primarily a Sea Trout fishery but gets a nice run of Salmon and Grilse during the angling season.

| | | |
|-------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 15th February to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 15th February to 12th October. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Argideen Anglers Association } Enquire locally Inland Fisheries Ireland, Macroom, Co.Cork | |

CORK GAME ANGLING FISHERIES

RIVER SULLANE – MAP No.14

This is a tributary of the river Lee producing good quality Brown Trout fishing. There is a lake run of larger than average Brown Trout in the Spring and Autumn. Access to the river is well developed.

| | | |
|-------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| SEASON | Brown Trout | 15th March to 12th October. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Macroom Trout Angling Club } Enquire locally Mary Annes Bar } Macroom, Co. Cork. | |

RIVER ILEN – MAP No.20

This is a medium sized river that drains a catchment of 190 square Kms. It boasts good runs of Spring Salmon and Sea Trout. Fish can be caught as early as March. Its Grilse run begins in June and continues until late July.

| | | |
|-------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 1st February to 30th September. |
| | Sea Trout | 1st February to 12th October. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Brendan Houlihan Tíg na Gael, North St., Skibereen, Co. Cork | |

RIVER COOMHOLA - MAP No.21

This is a prolific little spate river that has a catchment of just 42 square Kms. It gets a good run of Grilse in July, August and September.

| | | |
|-------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 17th March to 30th September. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | Teddy O'Brien } Coomhola Bridge, Bantry, Co. Cork. | |

RIVER GLENGARRIFF – MAP No.22

This is a lovely spate river that produces good runs of Grilse from late June to September.

| | | |
|-------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| SEASON | Salmon | 17th March to 30th September. |
| CONTACTS /PERMITS | The Maple Leaf Bar } Glengarriff, Co. Cork. | |



SALMON OVERVIEW

How an angler fishes and with what is a personal choice however we have listed some points which may assist you in selecting your tackle and approach. A single handed 8/9 weight fly rod with matching line is ideal for Salmon fishing in the South West. In fact a double-handed fly rod in many cases becomes a little cumbersome though rivers such as the Lee and Bandon in county Cork and the Laune in county Kerry lend themselves to the double-hander. If you are trying to keep your tackle to a minimum settle on an 8/9 weight single handed fly rod. You can purchase flies locally however many anglers enjoy trying their home patterns.

Your leader line should be around 16lbs / 7.3 Kg breaking strain. Regarding wading its always nice to have the option however you can usually access many areas from the bank. On a spate river, as nearly all Kerry rivers and a fair number of the Cork rivers are, the most productive time to fish is as the river level falls after rain and the water starts to clear (fine down). Dawn and dusk should definitely be fished, but you may catch fish during the day. In order to get the fly down, in moving water, a sink-tip fly line is almost essential. A short spinning rod can also be productive and lures can be purchased locally.

TRADITIONAL SALMON FLIES



SUGGESTED SALMON TACKLE

River Fly Fishing

Rod & Reel - This depends primarily on the size of the river.

Large rivers require large powerfull rods that can throw a line across and downstream, these are in the region of 15ft in length with matching Salmon Fly Reels.

Small rivers require a 12ft Reservoir Trout Fly rod or similar but upgrade the line weight to a weight no 7 to 9 if possible and a minimum 6. Casting of the fly should be across and downstream. This may require a line mend (*see diagram Page 12*) This tackle can also be used effectively when angling for Trout and Sea Trout on rivers and lakes but it is recommended to scale down the breaking strain of line for Trout and increase the number of flies from 1 to 3 or 4.

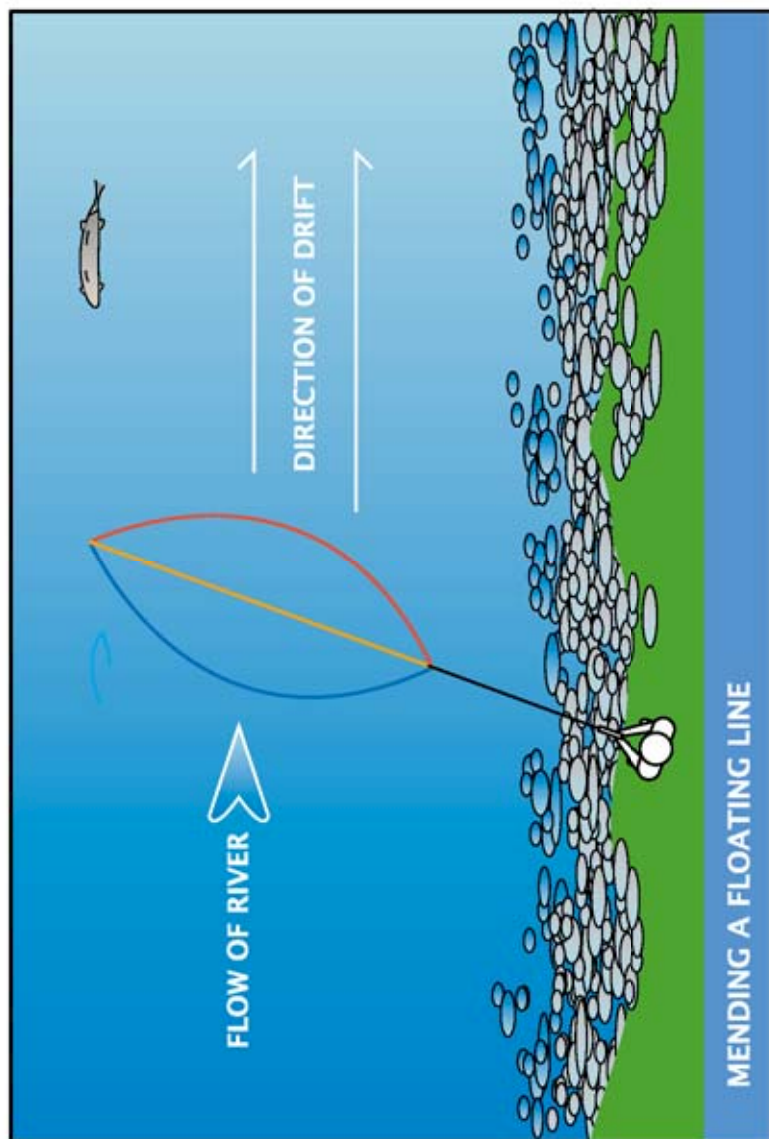
The leader length should be in the region of 10 to 14 ft and be a minimum breaking strain of 10lbs(5kg). The size of Salmon fly will be dependant on the amount of water flowing in the river and as a rule the bigger the flood the bigger the fly.

Lake Fly Fishing

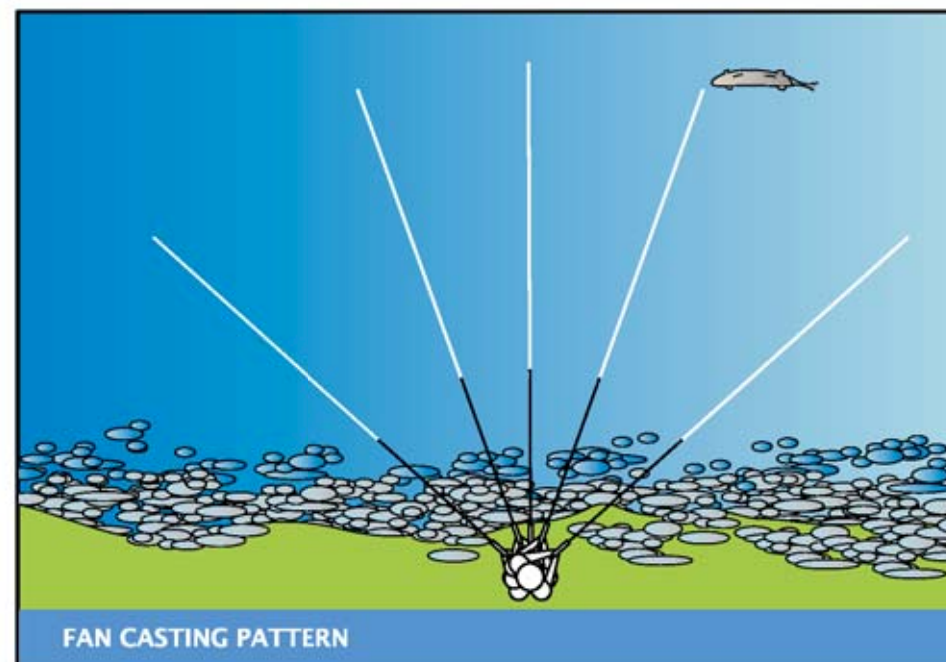
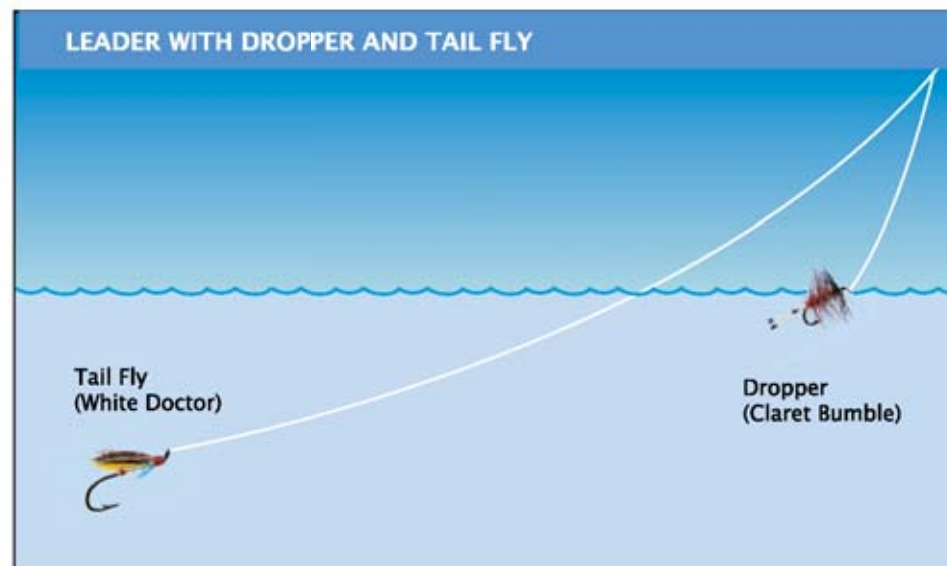
Rods should not exceed 12ft in length and reels should be loaded with 6 to 8 weight lines. The leader breaking strain should be a minimum of 10lb to 12lb(5Kg). The difference between river and lake leaders is that there can be 1 or 3 droppers tied with a blood loop knot on a lake leader (*see diagram on Page 13*). Flies will also differ in size for lake fished Salmon and tend to be fairly standard in size from 10 to 6 depending again on water levels. Also take into account factors such as wind and cloud cover.

River Spinning

Rods should be between 10ft and 12ft in length and line strength should be a minimum of 8lb(3.6Kg) and not more than 15lb(7Kg) breaking strain. Many spinning baits are available to the Salmon angler but the angler would be well advised to have a selection of "Flying C's" in various colours and blade sizes in the tackle box. Anglers should adopt a fan casting pattern when targeting River Salmon described in the diagram on Page 13.



- Line as cast
- Line pulled by current dragging fly
- Upstream mend to avoid drag



Lough Trolling

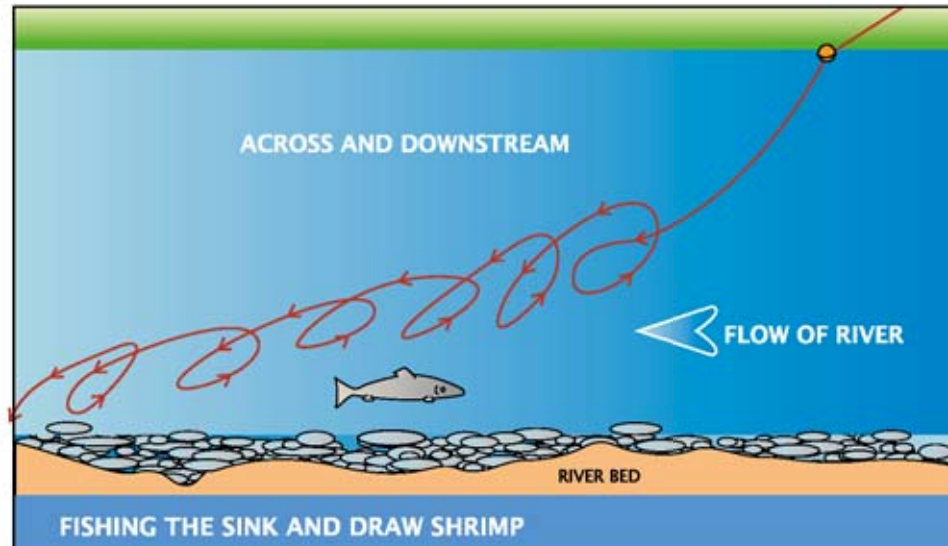
This essentially is spinning on a lake and requires exactly the same tackle as used on a river. The steady movement of the boat puts action into the lure when it is trolled over traditional fish-holding waters for long periods. This is quite an effective method of catching Salmon.

River Worming

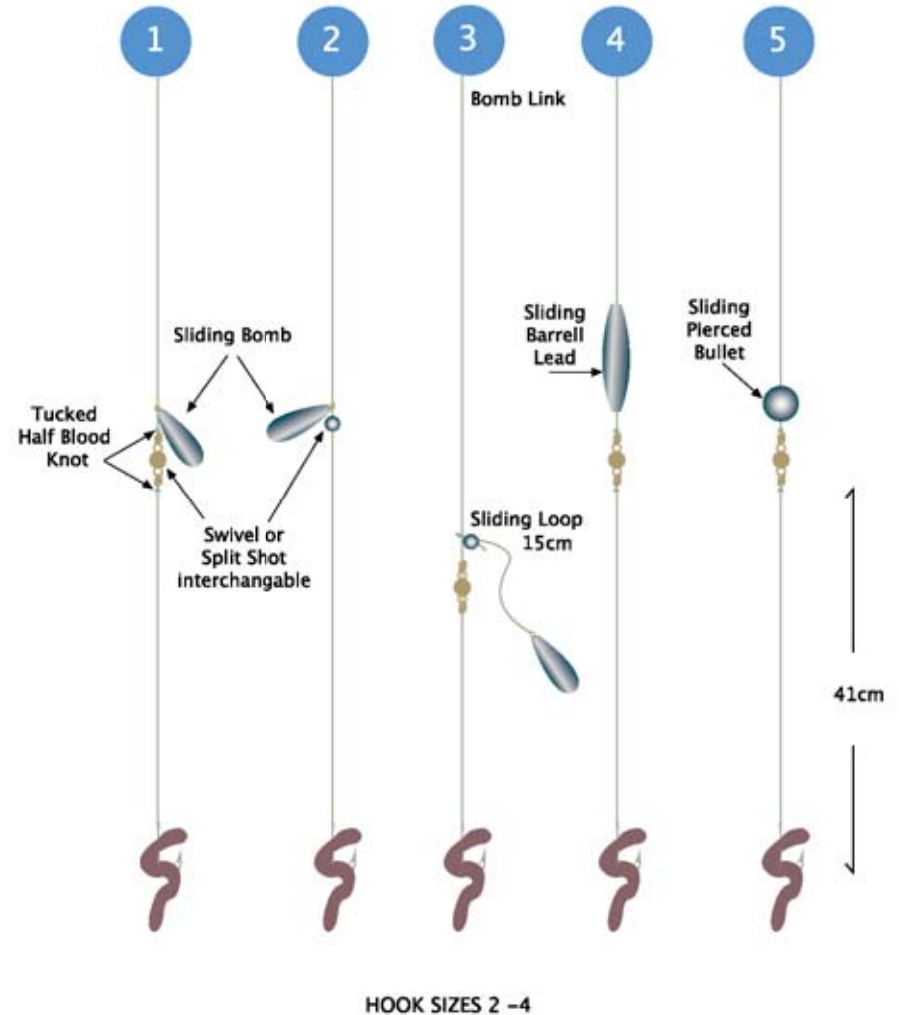
River spinning tackle is ideal for worm fishing and is probably the most effective method of catching Salmon in flood conditions. It involves searching the riverbed for fish with a ledgered rig set up (*see diagram Page 15*). These rigs can also be used with a float as a bite indicator.

River Shrimping

This is an effective method of catching Salmon in difficult conditions and involves trotting a coloured shrimp underneath a float downstream through a pool. In some circumstances it involves float ledgering the shrimp (Fast Water) and at other times suspending the shrimp a few feet off the riverbed (Slow / Dead Water). At times it can be fished in a similar manner to a Salmon fly but also in a Sink and Draw pattern as explained in the diagram below.



RIVER LEDGER RIGS



INTRODUCTION

BROWN TROUT

You can fish for Brown Trout throughout the season using various techniques. The first rivers open on the 15th of February and the season closes on all rivers by the 12th of October. Please note that some rivers in the region close for all angling on the 30th of September for conservation reasons. Currently there is no State Rod Licence required for Brown Trout or Rainbow Trout angling in Ireland. Anglers may require a Trout permit to fish certain waters which can be purchased locally. You will invariably see the signs indicating this on the river bank and also the location of the permit outlet. The majority of waters offer tourist angling permits. Once again should you require clarification please contact the local IFI Macroom or fishing tackle shop.

SEA TROUT

A State Rod Licence is required to fish for Sea Trout and angling permits are required on most Sea Trout fisheries. The Sea Trout season is pretty much the same as the Salmon season but check locally to see if Local Byelaws apply.

RAINBOW TROUT

Inland Fisheries Ireland operates a number of Rainbow Trout Fisheries in Cork and Kerry and these offer a great day out for families and friends. They are marked up on Map No.1 (Pages 40/41) in orange circles. Adult and juvenile permits are available. Please note that some of these fisheries are open all year round, also some may close periodically for environmental reasons (check locally). Permits are charged at a nominal rate on all Rainbow Trout Lakes. Rules and regulations regarding these fisheries are printed on each permit.



BROWN TROUT • SEA TROUT • RAINBOW TROUT

BROWN TROUT

As all anglers know there are many different types of flyfishing for Brown Trout and generally all methods yield success. The regions Brown Trout are free rising and wild and offer excellent sport. They tend to be a little bigger in County Cork due to the more alkaline water and average 1lb(0.5Kg) in Cork and 1/2lb(200g) in Kerry. A 2lb(0.9Kg) plus Trout is not uncommon. The preferred method of fishing by locals is wet fly on 10ft fly rods though more and more anglers are moving down in length and line weight to add excitement. Dry fly fishing is also extremely popular. Nymphing is gaining in popularity and certainly adds another dimension. Regarding flies, well as they say "match the hatch" and you will have success. There is no shortage of flies available in the local shops. You should use size 16 to 18 for dry fly and size 12 to 14 for wet fly fishing. While barbless hooks are not mandatory we would like to suggest that you squeeze the barb down.

BROWN TROUT FLIES



SEA TROUT ANGLING METHODS AND TECHNIQUES

BROWN TROUT • SEA TROUT • RAINBOW TROUT

SEA TROUT

Lake fishing for Sea Trout during the day is very similar to lake fishing for Brown Trout and local information is essential for success. River fishing for Sea Trout is a specialised art form and certain rules must be followed to be successful. As a general rule most river fishing is done at night. Do not start fishing until it is dark as it is easy to spook the fish and put them down straight away. Wait until you hear them splashing before you enter the river and always enter the pool quietly.

You should be comfortable

- 1) **With your equipment** (rods and lines for casting, know instinctively where all your accessories are and wear adequate warm clothing).
- 2) **With the river** (so that you know the terrain exactly and can wade confidently and are ready to beach or net the fish easily).
- 3) **Mentally** (so that you can concentrate 100% on the fishing and not be concerned about noises in the night - there is often a lot of wildlife activity).

Keep everything simple. Use a single fly and a short leader as trying to sort out tackle problems at night can be difficult. A 10ft fly rod is ideal and regarding flies you will have no trouble purchasing them locally though the 'butcher' is very effective.

SEA TROUT FLIES



RAINBOW TROUT ANGLING METHODS AND TECHNIQUES

BROWN TROUT • SEA TROUT • RAINBOW TROUT

RAINBOW TROUT

Rainbow Trout Fishing is available on small lakes around the region so fish can be targeted with relative ease. It is advisable when fly fishing for this exciting species to bring a variety of fly lines with you as Rainbow Trout feed at varying depths in the water column during the day. Anglers can also use worms and spinners when fishing these lakes. All other baits are forbidden. See Game Map No.23 (Pages 56 / 57).

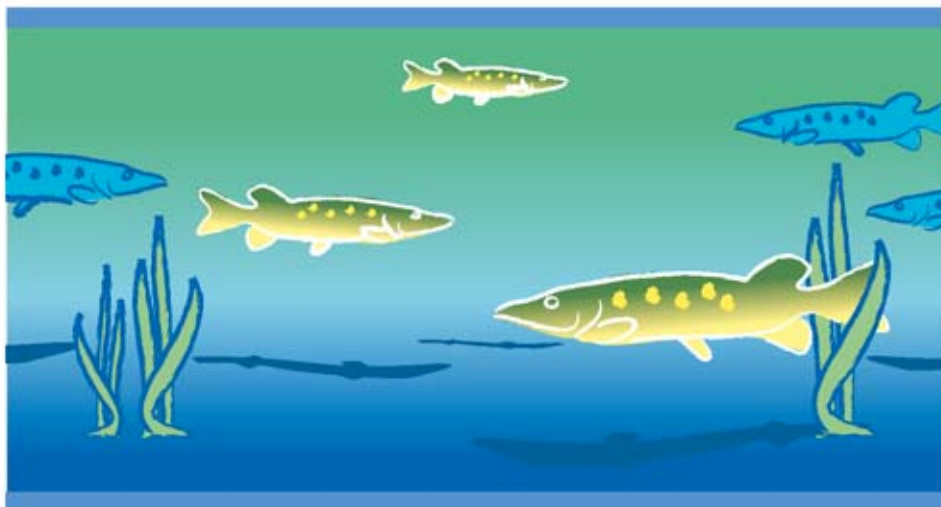
RAINBOW TROUT FLIES



INTRODUCTION

The most productive times for coarse angling are from May to November. Currently there is no State Rod Licence for coarse angling. The principle coarse fish species found in Ireland are Pike, Bream, Rudd, Roach, Eel, Carp and Tench. Bream, Rudd and Roach will regularly hybridise to give a fabulous fighting fish. Coarse angling in the South West of Ireland is centred on the River Lee system of reservoirs and anglers are required to buy a permit to fish on the central sections (Inniscarra and Carrigadrohid reservoirs). Permit fees are very affordable and all revenue is reinvested in the fishery for the benefit of anglers. Inniscarra is host to a number of international coarse angling competitions. The area offers excellent Bream, Rudd, Bream-Rudd hybrids, Roach, Perch, Carp and Pike. Lough Allua is an excellent Pike Fishery. Curraghally Lake is also a Premier Coarse Fishery and offers the coarse angler excellent fishing for Bream, Rudd, Hybrids and Pike.

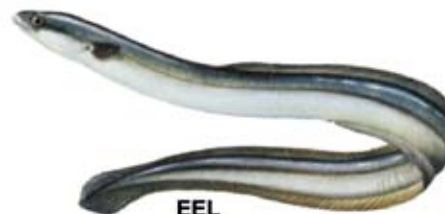
The Coarse Angling Maps No's. 2, 3, & 4. (on Pages 42 /43) highlight a number of the more popular locations however we urge you to explore this vast area as much of it is rarely fished in any one year. No State Rod Licence is required for coarse angling but please note that there are catch limit regulations applying to the catching of coarse fish. Details can be obtained from IFI Macroom or from local tackle shops. Shreelane Lake is a big Pike, permit only, Winter fishery near Skibereen, Co. Cork. See also back of this guide.



BREAM
Breán



CARP
Carbán



EEL
Eascann



PIKE
Luís



ROACH
Róiste



RUDD
Ruán



TENCH
Cúramán



PERCH
Péirse

Coarse angling equipment is a matter of choice and as most Coarse anglers bring all their own equipment this affords them the opportunity to experiment. Irish Coarse fish respond well to all international techniques from swimfeeder to pole fishing and all methods of float fishing.

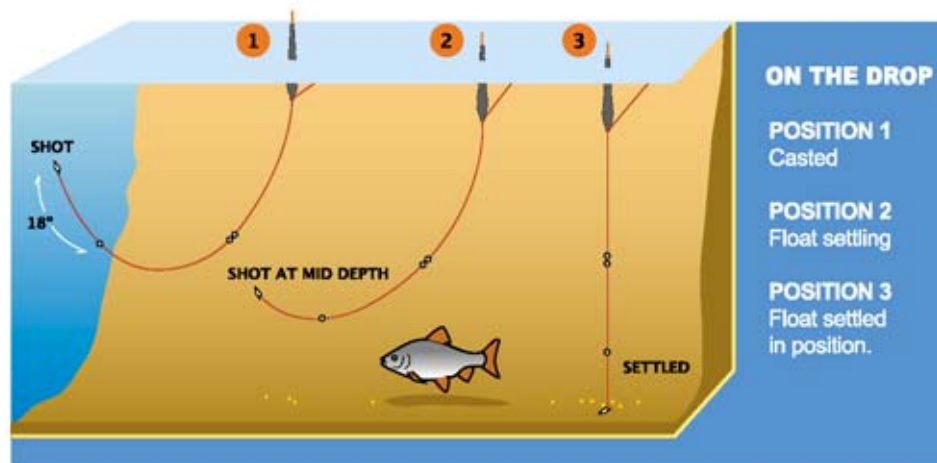
Coarse fishing in the South West is mainly on stillwaters that include large loughs, reservoirs, small lakes and ponds. Most of these venues are clear water lakes and night fishing can be very productive. Fish respond well to groundbaiting.

Float fishing

This is a method of presenting a bait to a particular fish or a fishing area using a float attached to the baited end of the anglers tackle.

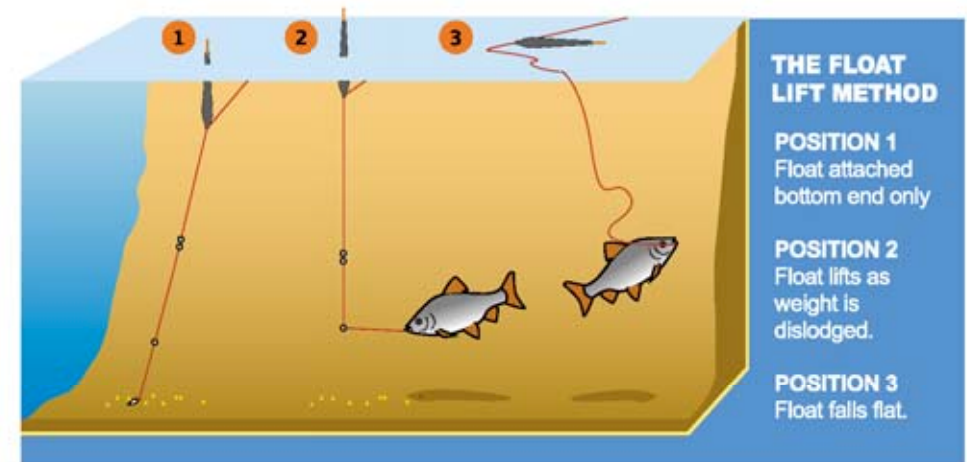
On the drop

This method explained in the diagram below is used for targeting Rudd, Roach, Dace and Skimmer Bream. Fish will take the bait anywhere from Position 1 to Position 3. Indication of a bite will be the float sliding deeper in the water or disappearing completely under the surface.



The Float Lift Method

This method is used primarily for targeting Tench and Bream which are rising in the surface column. This method is demonstrated in the diagram below.



Ledgering

This method of presenting a bait to fish involves the use of weights of various sizes to keep the bait hard on the bottom in a particular area. This again targets the bottom feeders such as Tench, Carp and Bream. Indication of a bite will be with the use of alarms, swing tips or quiver tips. The diagram on Page 24 demonstrates Ledgering techniques.

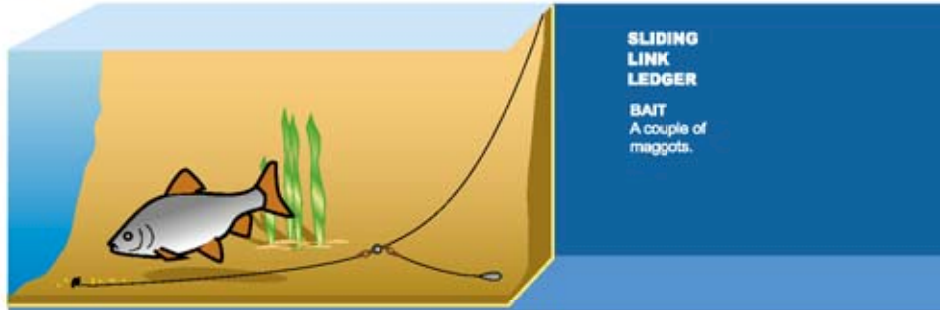
Groundbaiting

This is literally the bombardment of an area with bait to attract and hold fish for a period of time. It is essential if the angler wants good quality fishing. Many tourist anglers avail of a prebaiting service provided by guides to prebait areas of lakes prior to the angler arriving so as to ensure good fishing.

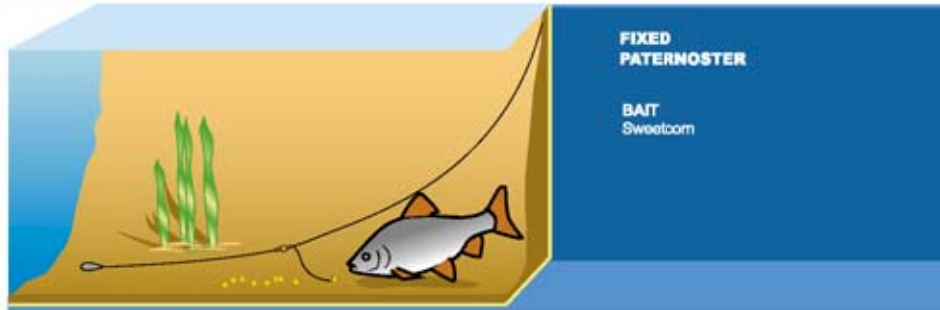
COARSE FISH TACKLE & TECHNIQUES

**THE
RUNNING
LEDGER**

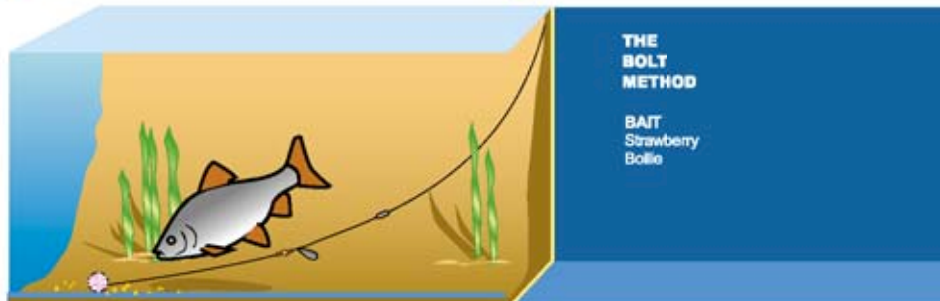
BAIT
A couple of
maggots.

**SLIDING
LINK
LEDGER**

BAIT
A couple of
maggots.

**FIXED
PATERNOSTER**

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Sweetcorn

**THE
BOLT
METHOD**

BAIT
Strawberry
Boilie

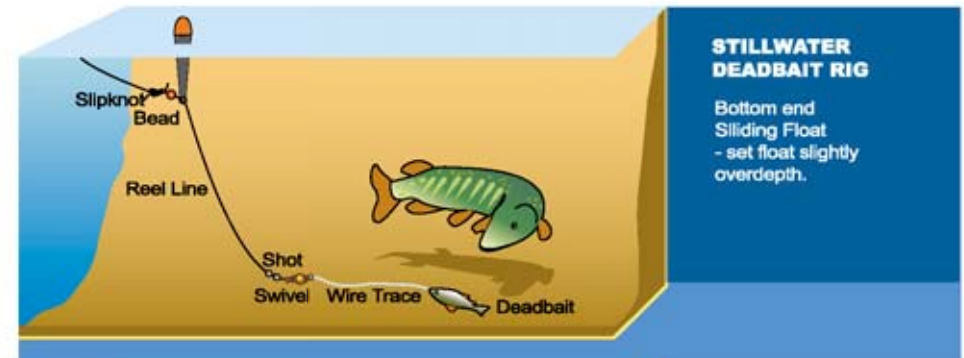
COARSE FISH TACKLE & TECHNIQUES

PIKE

The standard methods of deadbaiting and spinning are popular in the South West. It is illegal to use livebait when fishing for Pike or any species of freshwater fish in Ireland. Pike are a protected species and you should read the information noticeboards at the fishing sites and on our website IFI Macroom. Fly fishing for Pike using an 8/9 weight rod with a floating line and a wire leader can also be fantastic sport. The bigger the fly you can use the better. You might also try popper flies (surface flies) which splash on the surface as they are retrieved. Watching a take with this method is a truly exhilarating experience.

Pike Angling Tackle

Pike are a voracious predator when actively on the feed and can be caught quite readily by an equally active angler. They will take any Spinner, Wobbler, Plug or Spoon when they are hungry. When proving difficult to catch they can be induced onto the feed by the use of deadbaits such as Smelt, Rudd, Mackerel, Trout and Herring. These deadbaits may be fished stationary underneath a float or may be spun like a spinner which gives the advantage of smell and movement to attract the fish. The diagrams below demonstrate these methods.

**STILLWATER
DEADBAIT RIG**

Bottom end
Sliding Float
- set float slightly
overdepth.

**WOBBLED
DEADBAIT RIG**

INTRODUCTION

The South West coastline varies from magnificent sweeping bays and rugged inlets to wide estuaries and sandy beaches. The five huge headlands that jut out into the deep Atlantic Ocean are bathed in the warm North Atlantic Drift ensuring a wide variety of species. Well over 50 species of sea fish are on offer to the angler and the more common are presented on Pages 29 - 32. Exotic species such as Gilthead Bream and Trigger Fish can also be caught. Currently there is no State Rod Licence or permit fees required for Sea angling. There is no closed season for Sea Angling in the region other than restrictions on Bass fishing which includes a closed season from the 15th May to the 15th June when all Bass must be returned alive. There is also a daily bag limit of two Bass per person and all Bass under 40cm must be returned alive.

SHORE ANGLING

The South West is renowned as a classic shore angling destination. With its sandy beaches and rocky coastline all the Sea angling disciplines are catered for. The accompanying Sea Maps - No's.(1 - 9) (Pages 58 - 66) offer clear and precise information on the more popular spots but once again if you require additional information please contact us. When shore angling please observe recognised safety precautions paying particular attention to tides and wave height. When here you should also try fly fishing for Bass, Pollock and Mackerel which is great sport on light tackle. Angling guides are available in most areas and their knowledge is invaluable.

CHARTER BOAT ANGLING

Charter boat angling is readily available and well organized in the South West and offers an exciting day out for all ages. Boat prices range from €300 to €500 per day or about €50 Euro per person per day. Over half of the nations charter boat fleet is situated in the Cork and Kerry region so there is plenty of choice. Please use only registered charter vessels as these adhere to current safety regulations. All skippers are very knowledgeable and usually have the latest fish finding technology on board. Travelling to the fishing marks can also be rewarding as you may see some of the many ancient settlements scattered around our coast and islands. You may also see different species of sea bird, marine mammal and cetacean.

SMALL BOAT ANGLING

During the past twenty years more and more anglers who have come to Ireland have towed their inshore boats with them. Today this type of inshore angling is extremely popular especially as the region abounds with many small slipways that are ideal for launching such craft. We would be happy to assist you in planning your trip or selecting an area.

EXOTIC ANGLING SPECIES IN THE SOUTH WEST

Due to climatic changes anglers are now encountering several species of exotic fish. Some of the more common are displayed overleaf. These include;

| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| Golden Grey Mullet | Caught all around the South West coast. |
| Trigger Fish | Becoming noticeably more plentiful in the last few years throughout the South West. |
| Gilthead Bream | Established as a sport species in the Cork area, this species is now quite prolific in some areas. |
| Sting Ray | Common sport species caught from the shore in Tralee bay. |
| Undulate Ray | Caught occasionally in Tralee bay. |
| Albacore Tuna | Species targeted by charter boats in Cork and Kerry. |

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION

We all have a responsibility to leave our environment in as good a condition as possible for our children. You can help by reporting any signs of pollution or illegal activity to our office or staff.

Your co-operation and assistance is greatly appreciated.

CALL 1890 34 74 24 TO REPORT ILLEGAL FISHING, WATER POLLUTION OR INVASIVE SPECIES



SEA ANGLING

EXOTIC FISH IN THE SOUTH WEST

GOLDEN GREY MULLET
Lannach



TRIGGER FISH
Trilcear iasc



GILTHEAD BREAM
Bréan



STING RAY
Roc an ghaith nimhe



ALBACORE TUNA



UNDULATE RAY
Roc



HANDY KNOTS

Tucked Half Blood Knot



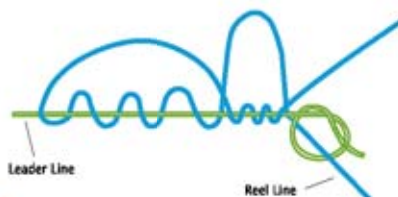
Blood Loop Knot



Uni Knot



Shock Leader Knot



SEA ANGLING

SEA FISH IN THE SOUTH WEST

1

BASS
Bas



2

SOLE
Sól



3

COALFISH
Glasán



4

COD
Trosán



5

CONGER
Eascann Mara



6

DAB
Leatha Riabhac



7

DOGFISH
Freangach



8

FLOUNDER
Dubh Leatha



SEA ANGLING

SEA FISH IN THE SOUTH WEST



9 BULL HUSS
Madra Mór



10 MACKEREL
Ronnach



11 MULLET
Lannach



12 PLAICE
Leathóg bhreac



13 POLLOCK
Mangach



14 UNDULATE RAY
Roc



15 STING RAY
Roc an ghaith nimhe

SEA ANGLING

SEA FISH IN THE SOUTH WEST



16 THORNBACK RAY
Roc garbh



17 ROCKLING
Langa carriage



18 SEA TROUT
Breac geal



19 GOLDEN GREY MULLET
Lannach



20 SPURDOG
Flogach gobach



21 TOPE
Gearthóir



TURBOT
Turbard

22



23 WHITING
Faotín



24 BALLAN WRASSE
Ballach



25 TRIGGER FISH
Truicear iasc



26 GURNARD
Cnúdán



27 MONKFISH
Bráithair



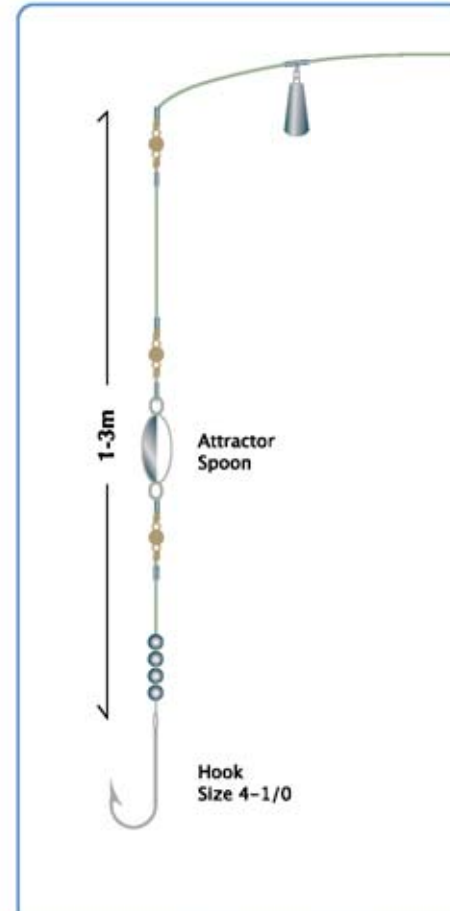
28 GARFISH
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29 PAINTED RAY
Roc Bán stríochta



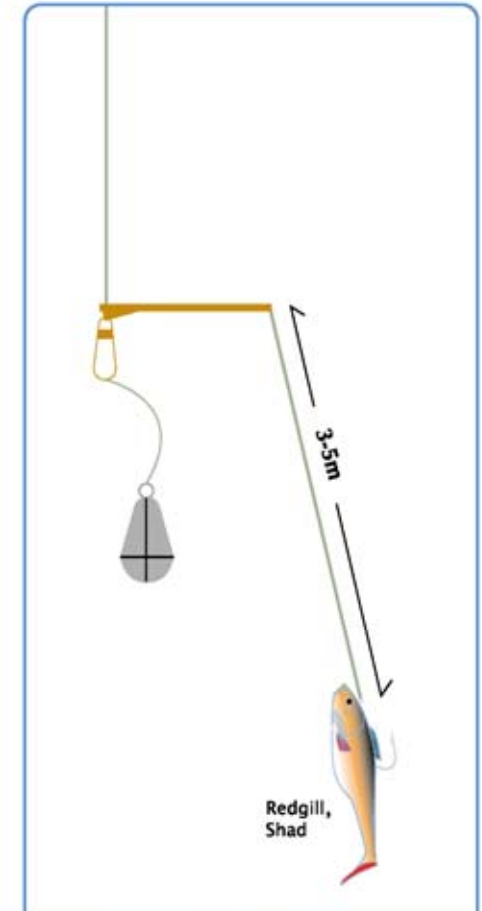
30 GILTHEAD BREAM
Bréan



Baited Spoon Rig

This popular rig is used predominantly when fishing for bottom dwelling species such as flatfish and gurnards however it will also catch many other species.

The idea is that fish are attracted by the flashing spoon and then see the bait as they approach. It usually fishes best when the boat is drifting but will also fish well while at anchor.



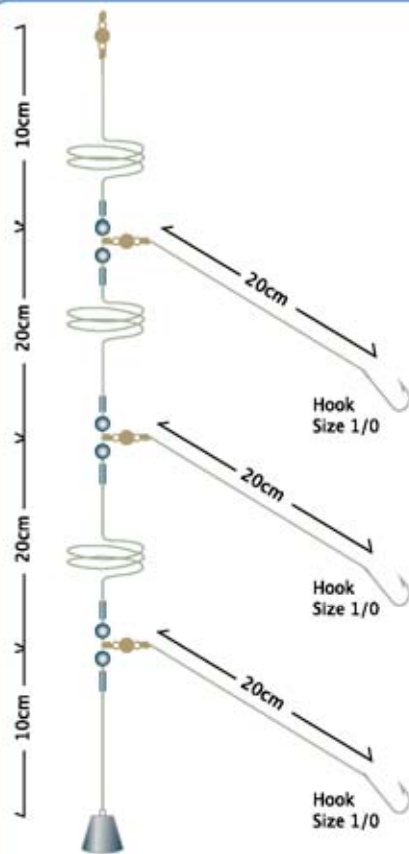
**The Gilling Rig
(Flying Collar)**

This rig is very important when targeting pollack, coalfish and cod on wrecks or reefs. It is a method of fishing artificial lures at different speeds to represent escaping food items.

Lures can be Redgill / Eddystone eels, Rubber Shads or Jelly Worms. These lures are designed to work at different retrieval rates so it would be important to vary the retrieve from slow to fast to find the optimum speed.

SEA ANGLING TECHNIQUES

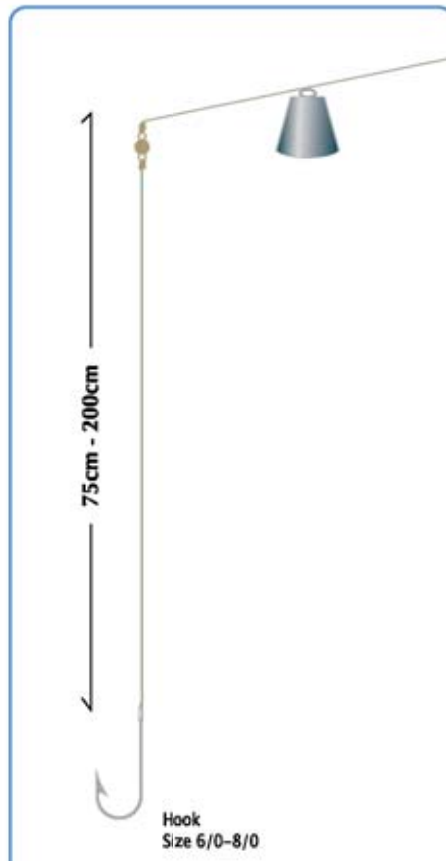
BOAT RIGS



Three Hook Paternoster Rig

This is one of the most versatile rigs available to the boat angler as it covers both the bottom dwelling species as well as those that live and hunt off the bottom.

It also allows a variety of baits to be used at the one time and its attractiveness can be enhanced by adding small lures to the hooks. It works equally well on the drift or at anchor.



The Leger Rig

This rig and the many variations of it is used usually when targeting a particular species as it can focus its one hook and one bait by varying the size of hook, bait or snood according to the species being sought. It also concentrates its focus on bottom dwelling species.

Particularly useful when wreck fishing as one hook has less tendency to get caught in the wreck than three hooks. Good for targeting tope, skate, and conger eels.

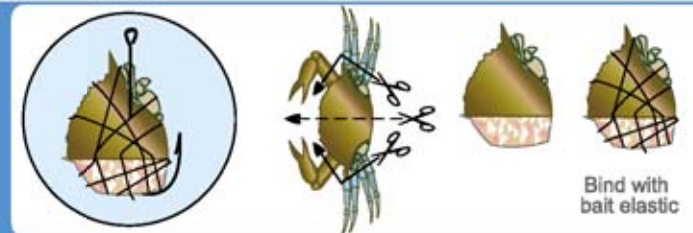
SEA ANGLING

BAIT PRESENTATION

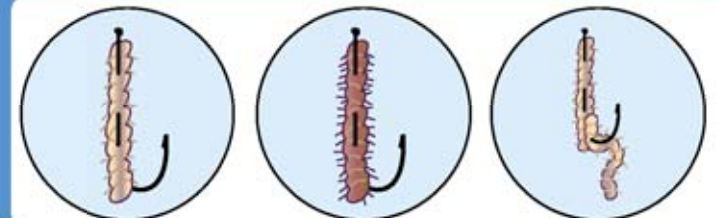
THE MACKEREL STRIP



SOFT CRAB



LUGWORM & RAGWORM



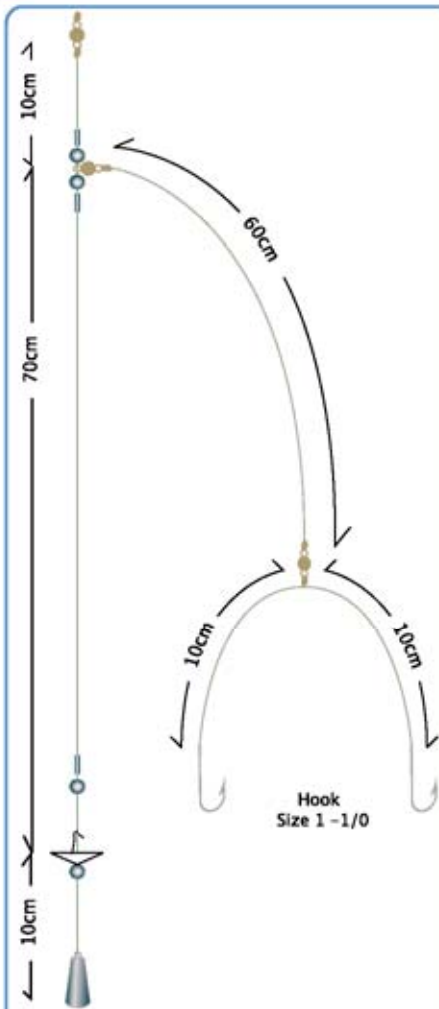
MUSSELS & RAZOR CLAMS



SAND EEL AND JOEY MACKEREL

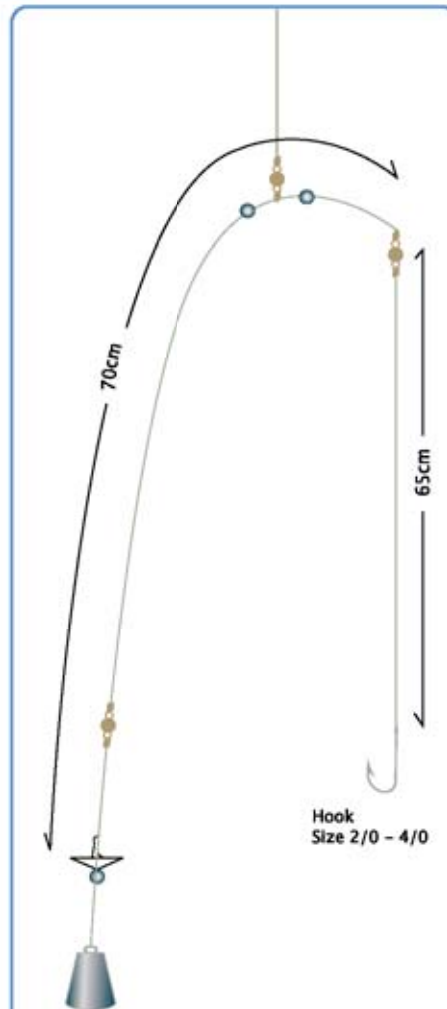


SHORE RIGS



Long Range Wishbone Rig

This is a useful rig when fishing at distance from the shore. This rig allows the angler to fish two baits in the fishing zone and also two varieties of bait which can help when targeting multiple species. It can be particularly deadly when fishing for flatfish such as plaice, dabs and flounder from beaches.

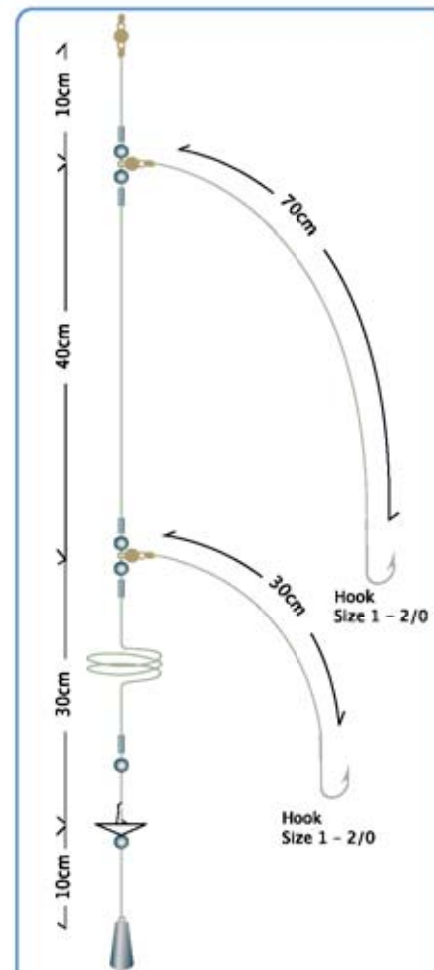


The Pulley Rig

This is an excellent rig when targeting fish living in rough kelp ridden grounds.

The rig is designed to lift the lead weight free of snags when hooked into a fish. This would be used frequently when targeting wrasse, bull huss and rays.

SHORE RIGS

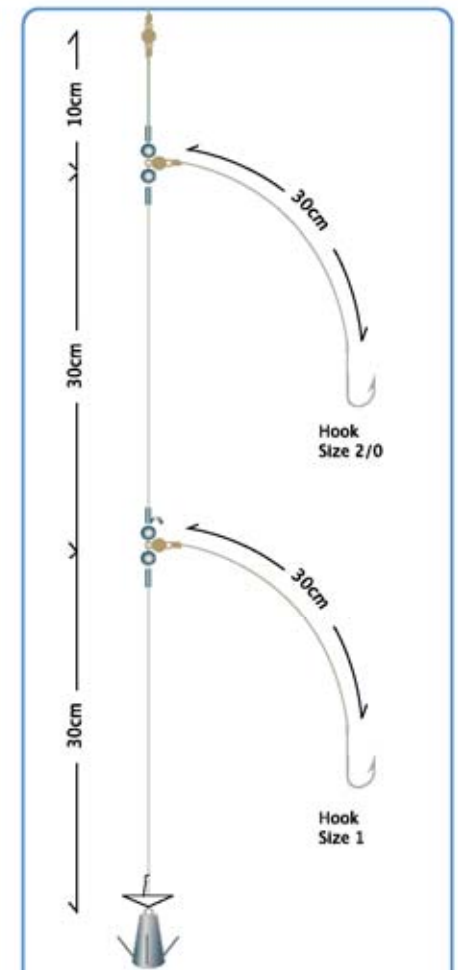


The Bomber Rig

This is an excellent rig when targeting fish at distance and also in a strong run of tide. It is not suitable for fishing in the surf as it tends to tangle as a result of the wave action.

TWO HOOKED CLIPPED DOWN RIG

This is an all round rig and can be combined with



Two Hooked Clipped Down Rig

A leger rig to give a Two-Up/One-Down rig which is a catching rig for any occasion. This rig enables the angler to fish at distance while still protecting the bait from flying off the hook during powerful casts by keeping it attached to the rig body. Upon entering the water the bait snoods unclip and fish freely. A variation of this rig can have three hooks

IRISH SPECIMEN & RECORD FISH LIST (Sample 2010)

| FRESHWATER FISH | | | |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | | IRISH RECORD | SPECIMEN WEIGHT |
| | | kg | kg |
| Bream | <i>Abramis brama</i> | 5.535 | 3.402 |
| Carp | <i>Cyprinus carpio</i> | 13.540 | 5.443 |
| Dace | <i>Leuciscus leuciscus</i> | 0.506 | 0.300 |
| Eel | <i>Anguilla anguilla</i> | 3.155 | Suspended |
| Perch | <i>Perca fluviatilis</i> | 2.496 | 1.200 |
| Pike (Lake) | <i>Esox lucius</i> | 19.43 | 13.608 |
| Pike (River) | <i>Esox lucius</i> | 19.09 | 9.072 |
| Roach | <i>Rutilus rutilus</i> | 1.425 | 0.907 |
| Roach/Bream hybrid | | 3.180 | 1.600 |
| Roach/Rudd hybrid | | 0.900 | |
| Rudd | <i>Scardinius erythrophthalmus</i> | 2.046 | 0.900 |
| Rudd/Bream hybrid | | 3.460 | 1.200 |
| Tench | <i>Tinca tinca</i> | 3.700 | 2.722 |
| Salmon | <i>Salmo salar</i> | 25.91 | 9.072 |
| Brown trout (Lake) | <i>Salmo trutta</i> | 11.87 | 4.536 |
| Brown trout (River) | <i>Salmo trutta</i> | 9.090 | 2.268 |
| Sea trout | <i>Salmo trutta</i> | 7.440 | 2.722 |
| Slob trout | <i>Salmo trutta</i> | | 4.536 |

| SALT WATER FISH | | | |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Angler Fish | <i>Lophius piscatorius</i> | 49.985 | 12 |
| Bass | <i>Dicentrarchus labrax</i> | 8.09 | 4.536 |
| Black sole | <i>Solea solea</i> | 7.87 | 0.8 |
| Black bream | <i>Spondyliosoma cantharus</i> | | 1 |
| Bluemouth | <i>Helicolenus dactylopterus</i> | 1.32 | 0.9 |
| Brill | <i>Scophthalmus rhombus</i> | 7.95 | 2 |
| Coalfish | <i>Pollachius virens</i> | 15.1 | 6.804 |
| Cod | <i>Gadus morhua</i> | 19.09 | 9.072 |
| Conger eel | <i>Conger conger</i> | 32.73 | 18.144 |
| Dab | <i>Limanda limanda</i> | 1.06 | 0.6 |
| Dogfish - Blackmouth | <i>Galeus melastomus</i> | 1.276 | 1 |
| Dogfish - Lesser spotted | <i>Scylliorhinus caniculus</i> | 1.93 | 1.474 |
| Dogfish - Greater spotted | <i>Scylliorhinus stellaris</i> | 10.81 | 7.257 |
| Dogfish - Spur | <i>Squalus acanthias</i> | 10.319 | 5.443 |
| Flounder | <i>Platichthys flesus</i> | 2.23 | 1.1 |
| Garfish | <i>Belone belone</i> | 1.729 | 1 |
| Garfish | <i>Belone svetovidovi</i> | 0.49 | 0.355 |
| Gilthead bream | <i>Sparus aurata</i> | 3.24 | 1.4 |
| Gurnard grey | <i>Eutrigla gurnardus</i> | 1.388 | 0.68 |
| Gurnard red | <i>Aspitrigla cuculus</i> | 1.4 | 0.907 |
| Gurnard tub | <i>Trigla lucerna</i> | 5.54 | 2.268 |
| Haddock | <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i> | 4.93 | 3.175 |
| Hake | <i>Merluccius merluccius</i> | 11.51 | 4.536 |
| Halibut | <i>Hippoglossus hippoglossus</i> | 70.91 | 22.68 |
| Herring | <i>Clupea harengus</i> | 0.454 | 0.34 |
| John Dory | <i>Zeus faber</i> | 3.4 | 1.814 |
| Ling | <i>Molva molva</i> | 25 | 11.34 |
| Mackerel | <i>Scomber scombrus</i> | 1.876 | 1.134 |

IRISH SPECIMEN & RECORD FISH LIST (Sample 2010)

| SALT WATER FISH | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| | | IRISH RECORD | SPECIMEN WEIGHT |
| | | kg | kg |
| Megrim | <i>Lepidorhombus whiffiagonis</i> | 1.85 | 0.794 |
| Monkfish | <i>Squatina squatina</i> | 33.18 | Suspended |
| Mullet - grey thick lipped | <i>Chelon labrosus</i> | 4.13 | 2.268 |
| Mullet - golden grey | <i>Liza aurata</i> | 1.191 | 0.68 |
| Mullet - red | <i>Mullus surmuletus</i> | 0.71 | 0.454 |
| Plaice | <i>Pleuronectes platessa</i> | 4.19 | 1.814 |
| Pollock | <i>Pollachius pollachius</i> | 8.72 | 5.443 |
| Pouting | <i>Trisopterus luscus</i> | 2.2 | 1.361 |
| Ray - Blonde | <i>Raja brachyura</i> | 16.82 | 11.34 |
| Ray - Cuckoo | <i>Raja naevus</i> | 2.58 | 2.041 |
| Ray - Electric | <i>Torpedo nobiliana</i> | 40 | 9.072 |
| Ray - Homelyn | <i>Raja montagui</i> | 3.76 | 2.268 |
| Ray - Painted | <i>Raja microcellata</i> | 7.825 | 4.536 |
| Ray - Sting | <i>Dasyatis pastinaca</i> | 33.2 | 13.608 |
| Ray - Thornback | <i>Raja clavata</i> | 16.82 | 9.072 |
| Ray - Undulate | <i>Raja undulata</i> | 8.18 | Suspended |
| Ray's bream | <i>Brama brama</i> | 2.85 | 2.268 |
| Red sea bream | <i>Pagellus bogaraveo</i> | 2.9 | 2.041 |
| Rockling three bearded | <i>Gaidropsarus vulgaris</i> | 1.38 | 0.794 |
| Scad | <i>Trachurus trachurus</i> | 0.889 | 0.68 |
| Shad - Allis | <i>Alosa alosa</i> | | 1.814 |
| Shad - Twaite | <i>Alosa fallax</i> | 1.54 | 1.1 |
| Shark - Blue | <i>Prionace glauca</i> | 93.64 | 45.359 |
| Shark - Mako | <i>Isurus oxyrinchus</i> | | 90.718 |
| Shark - Porbeagle | <i>Lamna nasus</i> | 165.91 | 68.038 |
| Shark - Six gilled | <i>Hexanchus griseus</i> | 480 | 45.359 |
| Shark - Thresher | <i>Alopias vulpinus</i> | | 54.531 |
| Skate - Common | <i>Raja batis</i> | 100.45 | Suspended |
| Skate - Long nosed | <i>Raja oxyrinchus</i> | | 36.287 |
| Skate - White | <i>Raja alba</i> | 75 | 54.431 |
| Smooth hound | | 7.53 | 3.175 |
| Stone basse | <i>Polyprion americanus</i> | 5.326 | 3.628 |
| Tope | <i>Galeorhinus galeus</i> | 30.22 | 18.144 |
| Torsk | <i>Brosme brosme</i> | 4.858 | 2.721 |
| Trigger fish | <i>Balistes carolinensis</i> | 2.54 | 1.474 |
| Tuna - Albacore | <i>Thunnus alalunga</i> | 29.96 | 12 |
| Tuna - Bluefin | <i>Thunnus thynnus</i> | 440 | 250 |
| Turbot | <i>Scophthalmus maximus</i> | 15.45 | 8.165 |
| Whiting | <i>Merlangius merlangus</i> | 2.23 | 1.361 |
| Wrasse Ballan | <i>Labrus bergylta</i> | 4.3 | 2.154 |
| Wrasse Cuckoo | <i>Labrus mixtus</i> | 1.1 | 0.567 |

The Irish Specimen Fish Committee ratifies all trophy and record fish caught in Irish waters on an annual basis and awards captors of trophy fish with certificates and merit badges. It is also responsible for adding or in fact deleting species from the same list. Information on these weights can be obtained or updated from; www.irish-trophy-fish.com





MANAGED RAINBOW TROUT LAKES

- A** LOUGH CAUM
- B** BARFINNIHY LAKE
- C** LOUGH FADDA
- D** LOWER LOUGH AVAUL
- E** UPPER LOUGH AVAUL
- F** LOUGH BOFINNE
- G** GARRANES LAKE
- H** SHEPPERTON LAKES
- I** LOUGH ADERRA
- J** BALLINLOUGH LAKE



BOAT ANGLING CENTRES

- | | |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. BALLYCOTTON | 11. CASTLETOWNBERE |
| 2. EAST FERRY | 12. SNEEM |
| 3. COBH | 13. KENMARE |
| 4. PASSAGE WEST | 14. CASTLECOVE |
| 5. CROSSHAVEN | 15. KNIGHTSTOWN |
| 6. KINSALE | 16. CAHIRCIVEEN |
| 7. COURTMACSHERRY | 17. DINGLE |
| 8. UNION HALL | 18. BALLYDAVID |
| 9. BALTIMORE | 19. CASTLEGREGORY |
| 10. SCHULL | 20. FENIT |

SMALL BOAT RENTAL CONTACTS

MARK GANNON • 023 8846427

1. COURTMACSHERRY
2. BALTIMORE

CHARTER BOAT INFO
AVAILABLE AT
IFI Macroom

KEVIN MURPHY • Bellavista Hotel, Cobh

3. COBH

0 5 10 15 20 25
KILOMETRES

INNISCARRA & CARRIGADROHID

HOTSPOTS



1 INNISLEENA
1 mile west of the Inniscarra Dam on the northern shore.
(stop at the small car parking area beside the waters edge and fish the deep water to the east, off the disused roadway.)

2 DRIPSEY ARM
West of Griffins Garden Centre.

3 ROOVES BRIDGE
The small bay 600 meters East of the bridge.

4 THE CAUMRUAD
An easily accessible shallow weedy area.
(beside the main road east of Carrigadrohid village.)

5 CARRIGADROHID
Fish both banks upstream of Castle Bridge. This section varies in water depth and fishes best when the water is high with minimum flow.
(for your own safety listen for the hooter which is sounded to indicate that water is being released from the dam.)

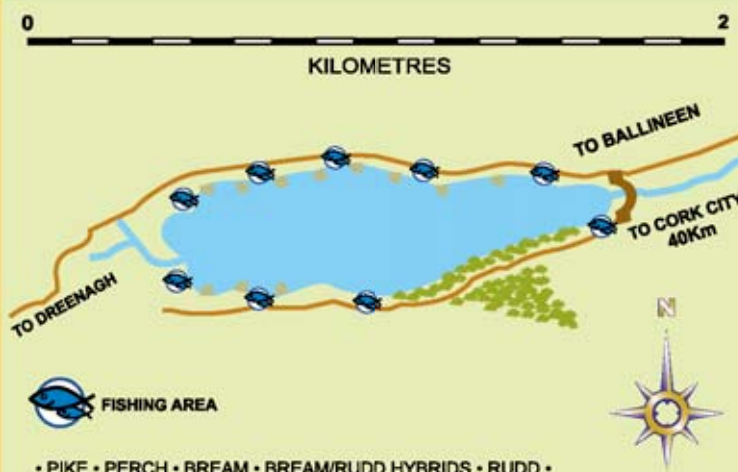
6 DUNISKY
7Kms from Macroom on Cork Road.

7 FARRANAVARRIGANE
3.5Kms from Macroom on Cork Road.

8 NEW BRIDGE
1Km downstream from Bridge.

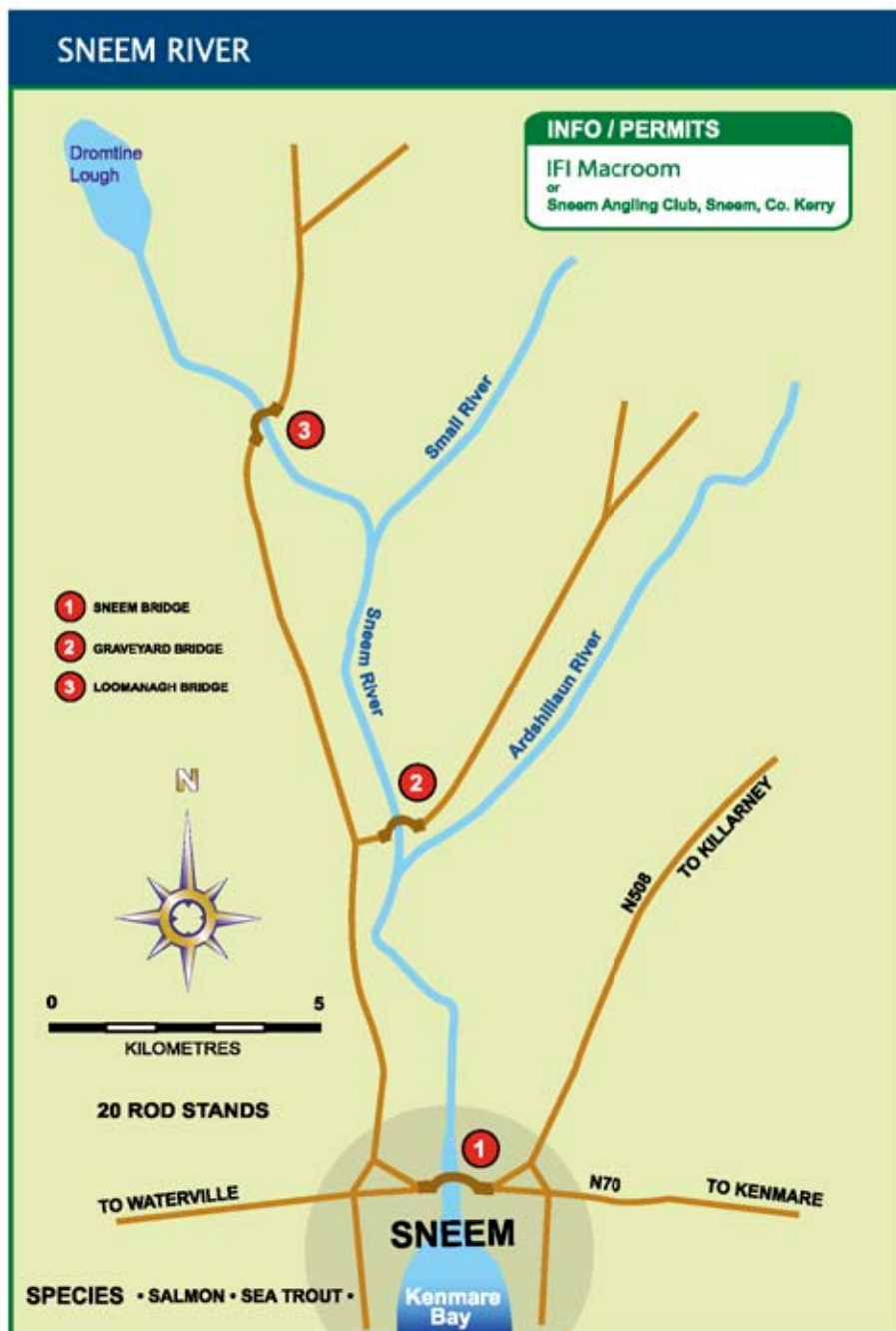
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BAIT

1. Riverside Guest House 2. Greg La Tour, Tir na Spideoge, Angling Centre



CARAGH LAKE & RIVERS

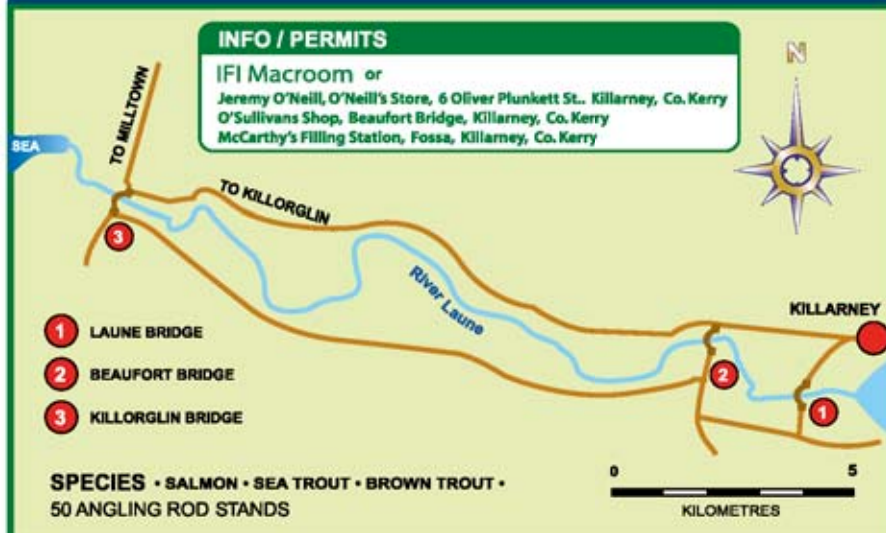


WATERVILLE LAKES AND RIVER SYSTEMS



GAME ANGLING

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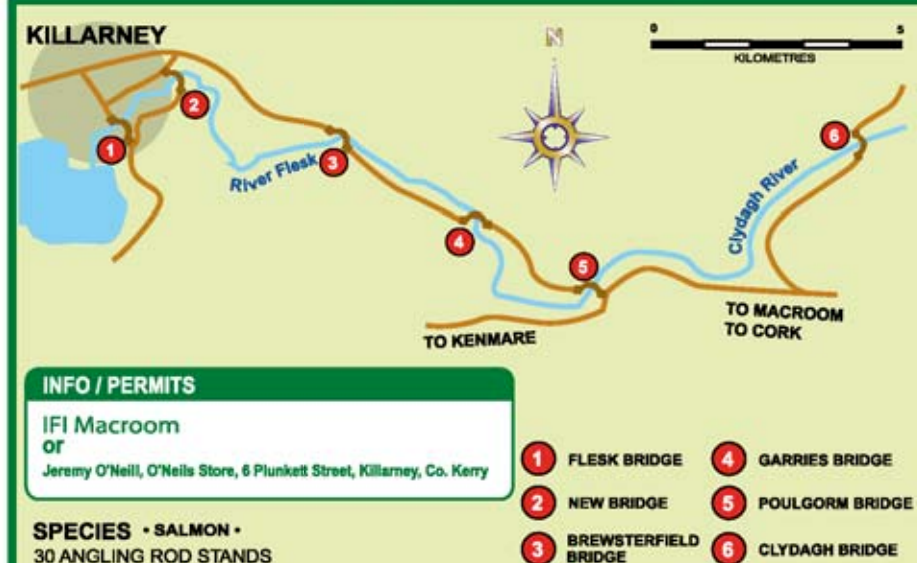


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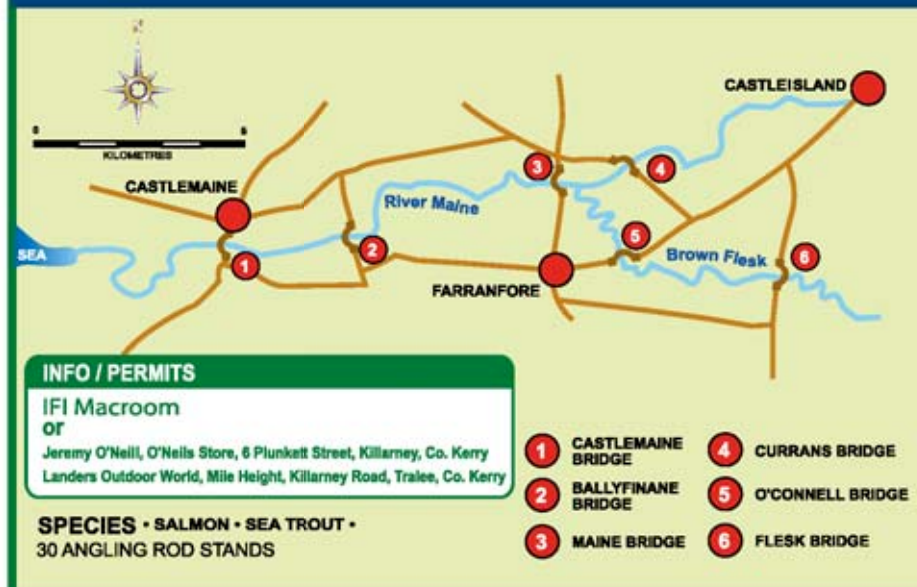


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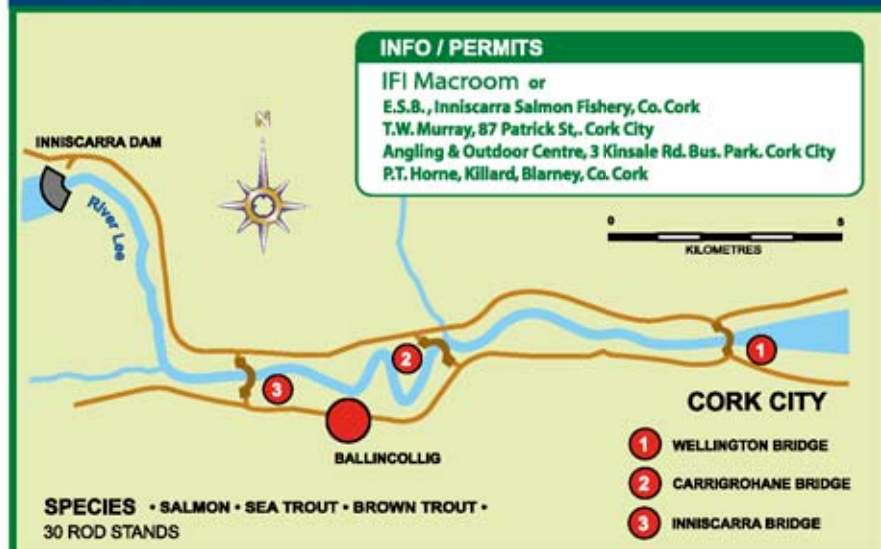
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RIVER MAINE & BROWN FLESK



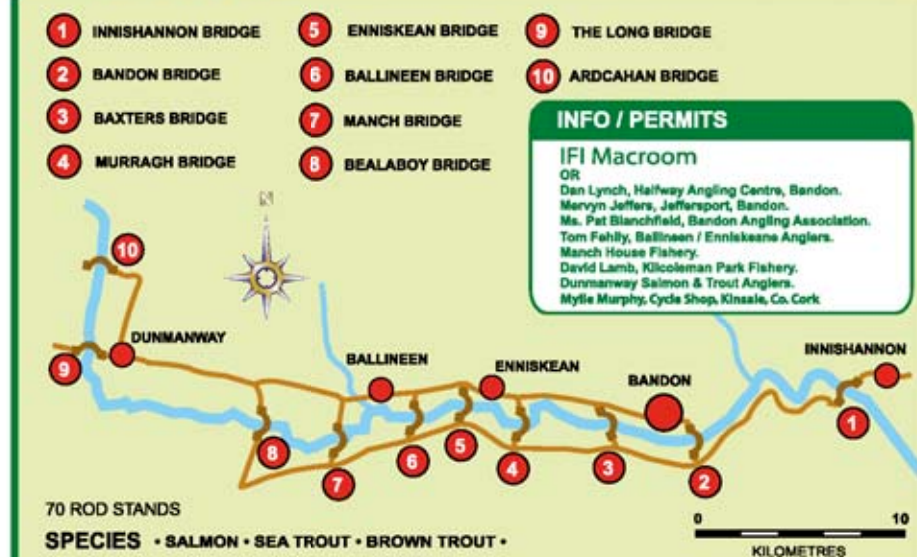
RIVER LEE



RIVER SULLANE



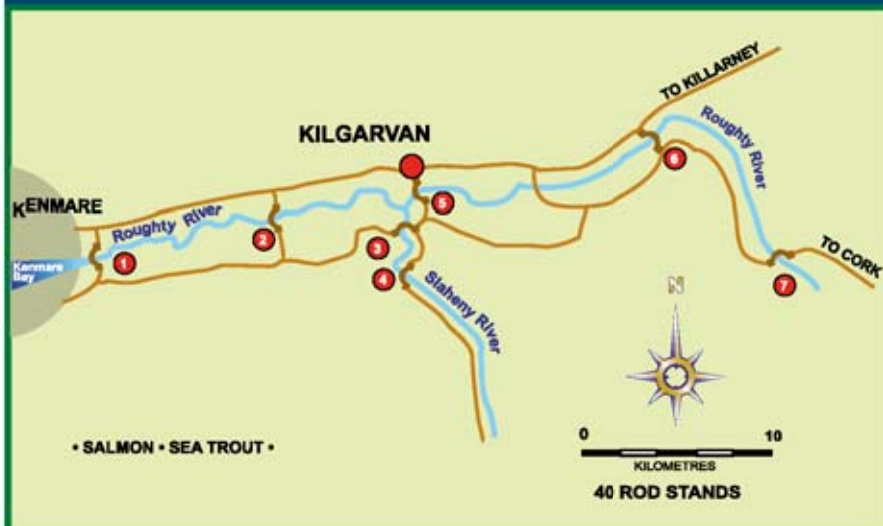
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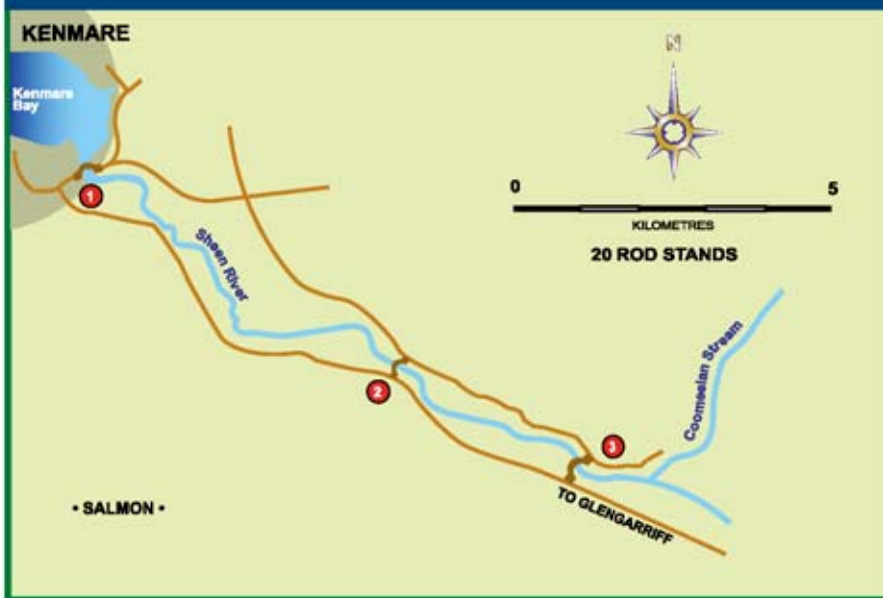
RIVER ARGIDEEN



ROUGHTY & SLAHENY



SHEEN RIVER



GLANMORE LAKE & CROANSHAUGH RIVER



GLANMORE LAKE & CROANSHAUGH RIVER

SPECIES • SALMON • SEA TROUT •

INFO / PERMITS

IFI Macroom
or
Kieth Johnson, Pier Road, Kenmare

- 1 CROANSHAUGH BRIDGE
- 2 GLANMORE LAKE BRIDGE
- BOATS FOR HIRE

ROUGHTY RIVER

SPECIES • SALMON • SEA TROUT •

INFO / PERMITS

IFI Macroom
or
J. O'Hare, Tackle Shop, Kenmare, Co. Kerry
Kilgarvan Angling Club, Kilgarvan, Co. Kerry
Quills Shop, Kilgarvan, Co. Kerry

- 1 ROUGHTY BRIDGE
- 2 ARTULLY BRIDGE
- 3 COOLYARD BRIDGE
- 4 SLAHENY BRIDGE
- 5 CAHERGAL BRIDGE
- 6 MORLEYS BRIDGE
- 7 INCHEE'S BRIDGE

SHEEN RIVER

SPECIES • SALMON •

INFO / PERMITS

IFI Macroom
or Sheen Falls Hotel, Co. Kerry

- 1 SHEEN BRIDGE
- 2 DROMANASSIG BRIDGE
- 3 DROMAGORTEEN BRIDGE

ILEN RIVER

SPECIES • SALMON • SEA TROUT •
20 ROD STANDS



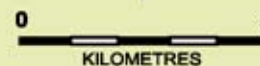
COOMHOLA RIVER

SPECIES • SALMON • SEA TROUT •
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GLENGARRIFF RIVER

SPECIES • SALMON • SEA TROUT •
20 ROD STANDS



ILEN RIVER

INFO / PERMITS

IFI Macroom
or
Brendan Houlihan
Tig na gael,
North Street,
Skibbereen,
Co. Cork

- 1 NEW BRIDGE
- 2 SKIBBEREEN BRIDGE
- 3 BALLYHILTY BRIDGE
- 4 DERREENY BRIDGE
- 5 MADORE BRIDGE
- 6 COARLISS BRIDGE

COOMHOLA RIVER

INFO / PERMITS

IFI Macroom
or
Teddy O'Brien
Coomhola Bridge,
Bantry, Co. Cork

- 1 SNAVE BRIDGE
- 2 COOMHOLA BRIDGE

GLENGARRIFF RIVER

INFO / PERMITS

IFI Macroom

- 1 GLENGARRIFF BRIDGE

RAINBOW TROUT LAKES

REGULATIONS

1. FISHING BY PERMIT ONLY

2. BOAT HIRE

3. REGULATED ANGLING METHODS ONLY

- a) Artificial Fly
- b) Worms
- c) Spinning

4. BAG LIMIT ON RAINBOW TROUT

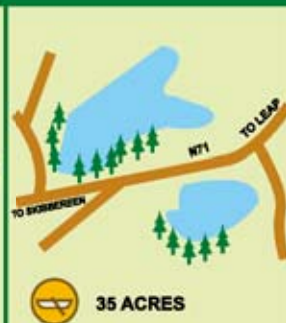
5. CERTAIN LAKES MAY CLOSE due to environmental reasons in any given year. For enquiries and updates - IFI Macroom

1. LOUGH ADERRA



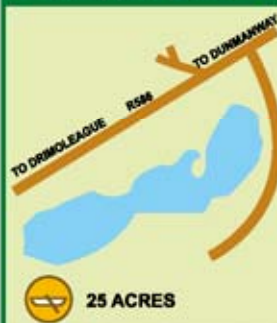
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2. SHEPPERTON LAKES



RUDD • EELS • PIKE • RAINBOW TROUT

3. GARRANES LAKE



RUDD • EELS • BROWN & RAINBOW TROUT

4. LOUGH BOFINNE



RUDD • EELS • RAINBOW TROUT • PERCH PIKE

5. LOUGH AVAUL UPPER



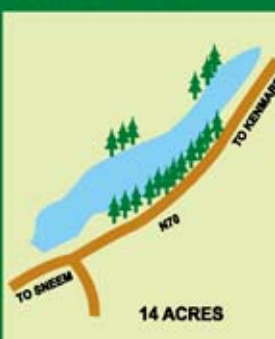
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6. LOUGH BARFINNIHY



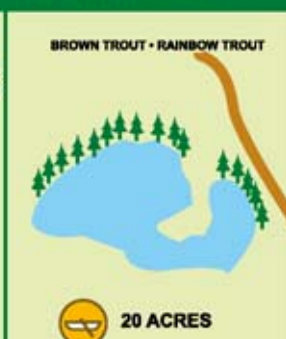
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7. LOUGH FADA



RUDD • EELS • RAINBOW TROUT

8. LOUGH CAUM



BROWN TROUT • RAINBOW TROUT

LOCAL CONTACTS FOR PERMITS & BOATS

CORK COUNTY

| | | |
|--------------------|---|-------------|
| LOUGH ADERRA | The Two Mile Inn, Churchtown North, Midleton | 021 4613605 |
| SHEPPERTON LAKE | E. Connolly, Shepperton, Skibbereen | 028 33328 |
| GARRANES LAKE | The Three Lakes Shop & Filling Station, Garranes, Drimoleague | 028 31843 |
| LOUGH BOFINNE | McCarthy's Quick Pick, Glengarriff Road, Bantry | 027 51534 |
| | McCarthy's Sports Shop, Main Street, Bantry | 027 51133 |
| | Ann O'Mahony, Derrygrinagh East, Bantry | 027 50713 |
| UPR & LWR L. AVAUL | Bernard Harrington, Publican, Glengarriff | 027 63021 |
| | C. O'Sullivan, Lough Avalu, Glengarriff | 027 63403 |
| | The Cottage Bar, Glengarriff | 027 63226 |
| BALLINLOUGH LAKE | Maureen. (12 month Trout Fishery with 3 boats. Fly only. Rental €30 per boat) | 087 2434543 |

CORK CITY

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| | T.W. Murray & Co. Ltd., Patrick Street | 021 4271089 |
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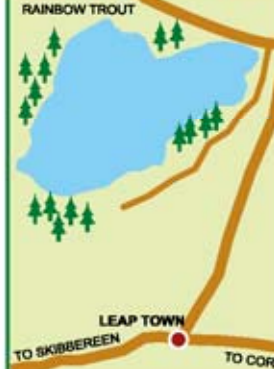
KERRY COUNTY

| | | |
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| LOUGH FADDA | Joli Coeur Crafts & Tourist Information, Sneem | 064 6675807 |
| | Blackwater Tavern, Blackwater, Kenmare | 064 6682003 |
| BARFINNIHY LAKE | Avoca Handweavers, Molis Gap, Kenmare | 064 6634720 |
| | John O'Hare, Fishing Tackle Shop, Kenmare | 064 6641499 |
| | O'Neil's Cycle Shop, Killarney | 064 6631970 |
| LOUGH CAUM | Maurice Fitzgerald, Fishing Tackle, Strand Street, Castlegregory | 066 7139133 |
| | Landers Outdoor World, Mile Height, Killarney Road, Tralee | 066 7126644 |
| | Seven Hogs, Aughacastle, Castlegregory | 066 7139719 |

9. LOUGH AVAUL LOWER



10. BALLINLOUGH LAKE



SOUTH WEST IRELAND



1 APR - 30 SEP 1 MAY - 31 AUG 1 JUNE - 31 AUG

| | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|
| LOUGH BOFINNE | BARFINNIHY LAKE | LOUGH FADDA |
| SHEPPERTON LAKE | | |
| LOUGH ADERRA | | |
| LOUGH CAUM | | |
| UPR & LWR AVAUL | | |
| LOUGH GARRANES | | |

PERMIT CHARGES FOR 2011 SEASON

| | |
|----------------------------------|------|
| ADULT (All 18 Lakes) | €120 |
| ADULT 3 WEEK PERMIT | €90 |
| ADULT DAILY PERMIT | €15 |
| OVER 65 / UNDER 18 SEASON PERMIT | €50 |
| OVER 65 / UNDER 18 DAY PERMIT | €10 |

BOAT HIRE CHARGES FOR 2011 SEASON

| | |
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| HALF DAY - 2 PERSONS (10am - 4pm) (4pm-10pm) | €10 |
| HALF DAY - 3 PERSONS (10am - 4pm) (4pm-10pm) | €12 |

BUOYANCY AIDS ARE AVAILABLE FREE WITH ALL BOATS
*Refundable Deposit of €20 for Buoyancy Aids at some lakes.

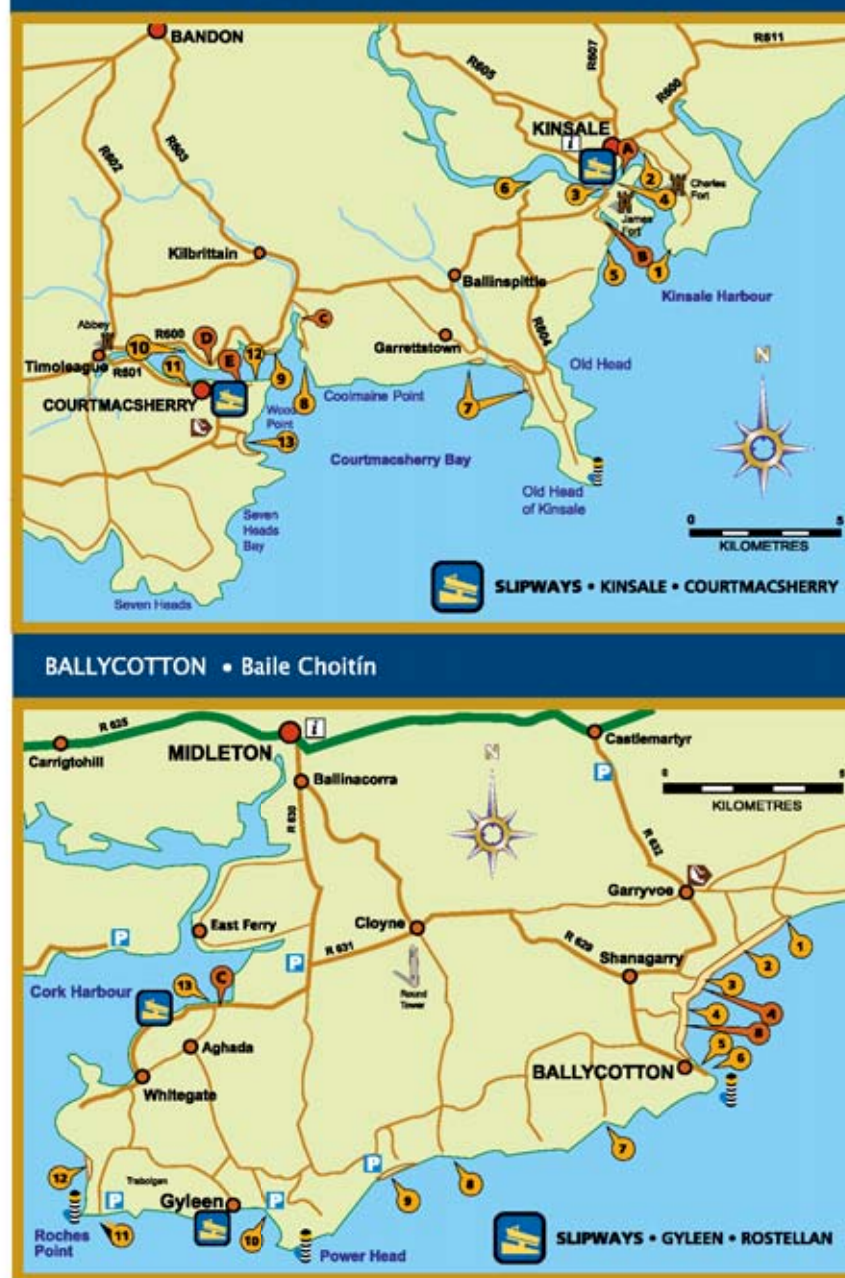
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CORK HARBOUR • Chuan Chorcaí



SEA ANGLING

KINSALE & COURTMACSHERRY • Cionn tSáile & Chúirt Mhic Sheafraidh



BALLYCOTTON • Baile Choitín



SEA ANGLING

CORK HARBOUR HOTSPOTS

- 1 BALLYBRANIGAN
Beach Fishing for
1 • 3 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 22
- 2 INCH
Beach Fishing for
1 • 4 • 8
- 3 ROCKES POINT
Beach Fishing for
1 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 17
• 24 • 25
- 4 WHITE BAY
Beach Fishing for
1 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 12
- 5 AGHADA PIER
Pier Fishing for
1 • 7 • 8 • 16 • 19
- 6 GOLD POINT
1 • 7 • 8 • 16 • 19

- 7 BROWN'S ISLAND
1 • 7 • 8 • 12 • 16
- 8 LYNCH'S QUAY
3 • 4 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 16
• 17 • 23
- 9 DEEPWATER QUAY
3 • 4 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 16 • 17
• 23
- 10 MONKSTOWN
4 • 5 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 16 • 17
• 23
- 11 PADDY'S POINT
1 • 6 • 8 • 16

BAIT

- A ROSTELLAN
Lugworm
Ragworm
- B JAMESBROOK
Lugworm

KINSALE & COURTMACSHERRY HOTSPOTS

- 1 LOWER COVE WALK
4 • 5 • 6 • 7 • 13 • 24
- 2 SALMON WALK
4 • 5 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 12
- 3 ROAD BRIDGE
1 • 3 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 23
- 4 BLACK ROCK CASTLE PARK
7 • 8
- 5 SANDY COVE
4 • 7 • 8 • 12
- 6 OLD BRIDGE ROAD
1 • 4 • 7 • 8
- 7 GARRETTSTOWN
1 • 3 • 7 • 8 • 29

- 8 COOLMAINE
1 • 8 • 11
- 9 HARBOUR VIEW
1 • 3 • 4 • 7 • 8
- 10 BURREN PIER
1 • 8 • 11 • 12 • 30
- 11 COURTMACSHERRY PIER
1 • 5 • 8 • 11 • 30
- 12 COURTMACSHERRY STRAND
1 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 16
- 13 BROAD STRAND
1 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 16

BAIT

- A BLACK ROCK CASTLE PARK
Crab
- B SANDY COVE CREEK
Lugworm
Clam
- C KILBRITTAIN ESTUARY
Lugworm
- D BURREN PIER
Crab
- E COURTMACSHERRY
Lugworm

BALLYCOTTON HOTSPOTS

- 1 BALLYCRENANE
1 • 4 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 12 • 16
• 29
- 2 BALLINWILLING
1 • 3 • 4 • 5 • 7 • 8 • 16
• 29
- 3 ARDNAHINCH
1 • 3 • 4 • 5 • 7 • 8 • 16
• 22 • 29
- 4 BALLYMONA
1 • 3 • 4 • 7 • 8
- 5 BALLYCOTTON PIER
1 • 2 • 4 • 5 • 6 • 7 • 10 • 11 • 12
• 13 • 23 • 24
- 6 BALLYCOTTON BREAKWATER
2 • 4 • 5 • 6 • 7 • 10 • 11 • 12 • 13
• 17 • 24

- 7 BALLYANDREEN
1 • 3 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 10 • 13
• 24
- 8 BALLYCRONEEN
1 • 3 • 7 • 8 • 10
- 9 BALLYBRANIGAN
1 • 3 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 22
- 10 INCH
1 • 4 • 8
- 11 ROCKES POINT
1 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 12 WHITE BAY
1 • 3 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 12
- 13 AGHADA PIER
1 • 7 • 8 • 11 • 16

BAIT

- A ARDNAHINCH
Lugworm
White Ragworm
- B BALLYMONA
Lugworm
White Ragworm
- C ROSTELLAN
Lugworm
Maddies
King Ragworm

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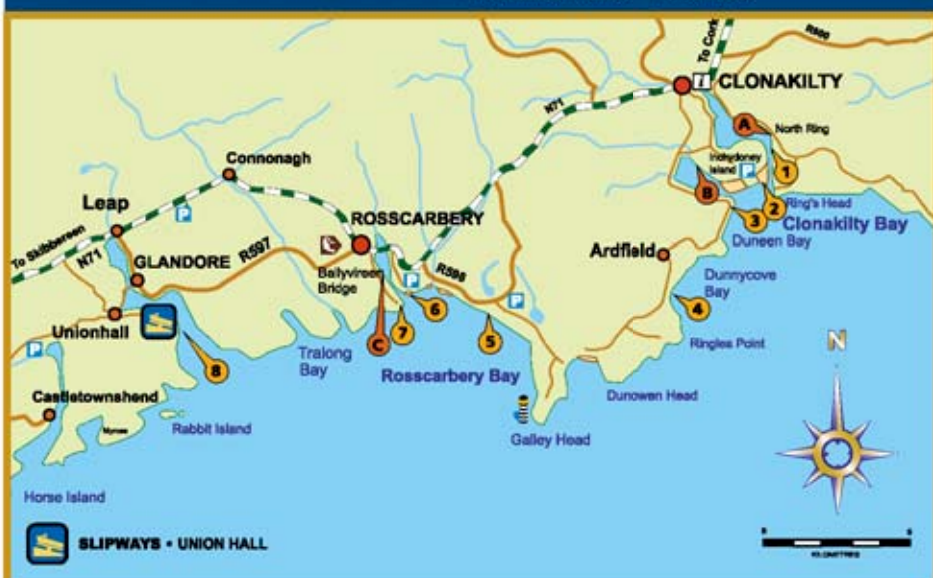
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SLIPWAYS • BALTIMORE • SCHULL • CROOKHAVEN

SEA ANGLING

CLONAKILTY TO GLANDORE HARBOUR • Cloich na Coillte – Cuan Dor



BEARA PENINSULA • Leithinis Béara



SEA ANGLING

BEARA TO GALLEY HEAD HOTSPOTS

- 1 CASTLEVIEW
1 • 7 • 8
- 2 BALLYDEHOB
1 • 8 • 11
- 3 TOORMORE
7 • 8 • 9 • 24
- 4 MOUTH OF CROOKHAVEN
4 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 10 • 13 • 16 • 24
- 5 GALLEY COVE
3 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 9 • 10 • 13 • 24

- 6 BARLEY COVE
1 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 9 • 16
- 7 VAUD CREEK
3 • 4 • 5 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 8 TOUR PIER
5 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 9 GLANROON
7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 10 BEACH STRAND
6 • 7 • 9 • 16

BAIT

- A ALTAR CHURCH
Lugworm
Clams
- B CROOKHAVEN
Lugworm
Crab
- C BANTRY
Lugworm
Mussels
Clams

CLONAKILTY TO GLANDORE HOTSPOTS

- 1 RING HARBOUR
1 • 3 • 4 • 8 • 16 • 30
- 2 INCHYDONEY BEACHES
1 • 3 • 4 • 7
- 3 MUCKCROSS HEAD
1 • 3 • 4 • 8 • 12
- 4 DUNNY COVE BAY
1 • 7 • 16

- 5 LONG STRAND
1 • 4 • 7 • 8
- 6 WARREN STRAND
1 • 3 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 16 • 30
- 7 ROSSCARBERY
1 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 30
- 8 UNIONHALL PIER
1 • 7 • 8 • 30

BAIT

- A RING ESTUARY
Lugworm
Crab
- B CLONAKILTY ESTUARY
Lugworm
Sandeel
- C ROSSCARBERY
Lugworm

BEARA PENINSULA HOTSPOTS

- 1 RINN BEAG
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 2 SERRAGH ROCK
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 3 CARRAIGIN
3 • 5 • 10 • 13 • 16 • 24
- 4 ARDNAKINNA PT.
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 5 ANTRAINEACH
3 • 5 • 10 • 11 • 13 • 24
- 6 CARRAIG HOIS CEIM
3 • 5 • 10 • 11 • 13 • 24
- 7 DISEIRT POINT
3 • 5 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 8 POLL MOUNTAIN
3 • 5 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 9 DURSEY ISLAND
3 • 5 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 10 DURSEY SOUND
3 • 5 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 11 DURSEY ROCKS
3 • 5 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 12 LEACAN BHAID
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24

- 13 BALLYDONEY STRAND
1 • 3 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 13 • 22
- 14 CARRIG FHADA
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 15 CUASA TEORANN
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 16 CUMAR DRON LEAC
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 17 OILEAININ
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 18 KILCATHERINE POINT
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 19 BIRD POINT
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 20 DOG'S ROCK
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 21 BUNA
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 22 PUFFING HOLE
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24
- 23 CUSHEEN
3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24

BAIT

- A ZETLAND PIER
Lugworm,
Razor Fish
Crab
Mussel
- B ADRIGOLE
Lugworm,
Mussel
Crab
- C ARDGROOM
Lugworm
Crab
- C LAURAGH
Lugworm
Clams
- 24 DOON POINT
10 • 13 • 24 • 25
- 25 BLUE ISLANDS
3 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 10 • 13 • 24 • 25
- 26 GARNISH BEACH
1 • 3 • 4 • 8 • 10

SEA ANGLING

DINGLE PENINSULA • Leithinis an Daingean



SLIPWAYS • DINGLE • BALLYDAVID • BRANDON • SCRAGGANE



SEA ANGLING

RING OF KERRY • Mhór Chuaire Chiarraí



SLIPWAYS • SNEEM • PORTMAGEE • CAHIRSIVEEN •



TRALEE BAY • Bá Trá Lí



SLIPWAYS • FENIT • BRANDON • SCRAGGANE



SEA ANGLING

ANGLING INFORMATION POINTS

DINGLE BAY TO KERRY HEAD HOTSPOTS

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| 1 INCH 1 • 7 • 8 • 18 • 19 • 22 | 10 FERMOYLE 1 • 8 • 12 • 18 • 22 • 29 OCC |
| 2 TRABEG 1 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 18 • 22 | 11 KILCUMMIN 1 • 8 • 12 • 18 • 22 • 29 OCC |
| 3 VENTRY 1 • 7 • 8 • 11 • 28 | 12 SANDY BAY 1 • 3 • 7 • 8 • 12 • 15 • 18 • 29 |
| 4 CLOGHER HEAD 3 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24 | 13 CASTLEGREGORY BEACH 1 • 7 • 8 • 18 • 29 |
| 5 FERRITER'S COVE & DOON POINT 1 • 3 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 13 • 24 | 14 STRADBALLY 1 • 3 • 7 • 8 • 22 |
| 6 BALLINRANNIG 1 • 3 • 7 • 8 • 19 | 15 BRANDON PIER & BEACH 1 • 4 • 7 • 8 • 18 • 19 • 23 |
| 7 FEONAHAGH 1 • 8 • 18 • 24 | 16 DINGLE HARBOUR 1 • 8 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 10 • 11 • 18 • 17 • 19 |
| 8 BRANDON CREEK 5 • 7 • 9 • 13 • 17 • 24 | 17 ANASCAUL 1 • 3 • 7 • 9 • 10 • 13 • 18 • 25 • 24 |
| 9 CLOGHANE 1 • 8 • 18 | 18 KEEL 1 • 8 • 12 |

BAIT

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| A MILLTOWN ESTUARY Lugworm Ragworm |
| B DINGLE BEACH Razorfish |
| C FERRITER'S COVE Lugworm |
| D CLOGHANE ESTUARY Crab |
| E FERMOYLE BACKSTRAND Lugworm |
| F KILLSHANNIG Lugworm |
| G KEEL Ragworm Lugworm Crab |

RING OF KERRY HOTSPOTS

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| 1 BLACKWATER PIER 5 • 7 • 8 • 10 • 13 • 16 • 25 | 8 ST. FINIAN'S BAY 1 • 4 • 5 • 8 • 16 • 22 • 23 |
| 2 GLEESK 5 • 7 • 9 • 13 • 24 | 9 CULOO 4 • 5 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24 |
| 3 LAMB'S HEAD 5 • 7 • 13 • 17 • 24 | 10 KNIGHTSTOWN 5 • 7 • 9 • 16 • 25 |
| 4 DERRYNANE 1 • 3 • 4 • 8 • 11 • 18 • 19 • 22 | 11 LOUGH KAY 1 • 8 OCC • 9 • 16 |
| 5 HOG'S HEAD 1 • 4 • 6 • 7 • 10 • 13 • 24 | 12 KELLS BAY 5 • 7 • 13 • 24 |
| 6 WATERVILLE BEACH 1 • 7 • 8 • 12 | 13 ROSSBEIGH 3 • 7 • 8 • 15 OCC • 16 • 18 • 19 • 21 • 22 |
| 7 INNY STRAND 1 • 7 • 8 • 19 | |

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| A DERRYNANE Lugworm |
| B BALLINSKELLIGS Lugworm White Ragworm |
| C ROSSBEHY CREEK Lugworm |
| D CAHIRCIVEEN Crab |

TRALEE BAY TO KERRY HEAD HOTSPOTS

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| 1 DERRYMORE 1 • 2 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 16 • 19 | 7 BLACK ROCK 1 • 3 • 7 • 8 • 12 • 16 • 29 |
| 2 FENIT PIER 1 • 5 • 6 • 7 • 8 • 11 • 10 • 14 • 15 • 16 • 17 • 23 • 25 • 27 | 8 BALLYHEIGE 1 • 3 • 7 • 8 • 12 |
| 3 FENIT ISLAND 1 • 5 • 7 • 8 • 16 | 9 KERRY HEAD 5 • 7 • 9 • 10 • 13 • 24 |
| 4 FENIT ISLAND 1 • 7 • 13 • 16 • 21 • 24 | 10 SPA 1 • 5 • 7 • 8 • 11 • 12 • 15 • 16 • 25 |
| 5 BARROW HARBOUR 1 • 7 • 8 • 11 • 12 • 16 • 22 | 11 LOUGH KAY 1 • 8 • 16 |
| 6 BANNA STRAND 1 • 7 • 8 • 12 • 16 • 22 • 29 | |

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| A BARROW HARBOUR Lugworm Crab |
| B FENIT STRAND Sandeel |

RIVER LEE

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| T.W. Murray, 87 Patrick Street, Cork. | 021 4271089 |
| Manager, ESB, Inniscarra Salmon Fishery, Cork. | 021 4871233 |
| Cork Angling & Outdoor Centre, 3 Kinsale Road Business Park, Cork. | 021 4321000 |
| P.T. Home, Killard, Blarney, Co. Cork | 021 4385072 |

RIVER SULLANE

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| Tom Sweeney, Mary Ann's Bar, Masseytown, Macroom, Co.Cork. | 087 6628644 |
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RIVER BANDON

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| Mervyn Jeffers, Jeffersport, 7 Pearse Street, Bandon, Co.Cork. | 023 8841420 |
| Tom Feely, Bridge Street, Ballineen, Co.Cork. | 023 8847173 |
| David Lamb, Kilcoleman Park, Enniskeane, Co.Cork. | 023 8847279 |
| Michael O Regan, 21, South Side, Oliver Plunkett Street, Bandon Co.Cork. | 023 8841674 |
| Dan Lynch, Halfway Angling Centre, Bandon | 086 3357334 |
| A. O'Connor, Manch Fishery, Bandon. | 023 8847526 |
| Patrick McCarthy, Dunmanway Anglers, Dunmanway, Co.Cork. | 086 1633911 |
| Mylie Murphy, Cycle Shop, Kinsale, Co. Cork | 021 4772703 |

RIVER AGRIDEEN

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| Tim Severin, Argideen Fishing Lodge, Inchy Bridge, Timoleague, Co.Cork. | 023 8846127 |
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RIVER ILEN

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| Brendan Houlihan, Tig na Gael, North Street, Skibereen, Co. Cork | 028 21435 |
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RIVER COOMHOLA

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| Teddy O'Brien, Coomhola Bridge, Bantry, Co. Cork | 027 50563 |
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RIVER GLENGARRIFF

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| Teddy O'Brien, Coomhola Bridge, Bantry, Co. Cork | 027 50563 |
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GLANMORE LAKE AND RIVER

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| Keith Johnson, Cheveley/Johnson Estate agents, Wellington Road, Cork. | 021 4501255 |
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SHEEN RIVER

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| Sheen Falls lodge, Kenmare, Co.Kerry. (www.sheenfallsdodge.ie) | 064 6641600 |
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ROUGHTY RIVER

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| Quills Shop, Kilgarvan, Co.Kerry. | 064 6685300 |
| J O Hare, 21 Main Street, Kenmare, Co.Kerry. | 064 6641499 |

BLACKWATER RIVER

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| The Manager, Blackwater Fishery, Co.Kerry. | 087 2241095 |
| The Blackwater Tavern, Blackwater, Killarney, Co.Kerry. | 064 6682003 |

SNEEM RIVER

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| Joli Coeur Crafts, South Square, Sneem, Co. Kerry | 064 6675807 |
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WATERVILLE LAKES AND RIVERS

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| Kevin Brain, Waterville Angling, Main St., Waterville, Co.Cork | 066 9474433 |
| Michael O'Sullivan, Waterville Boats, Waterville, Co. Kerry | 066 9474255 |
| Curran's Londis, Waterville, Co. Kerry | 066 9474253 |

CARAGH LAKES AND RIVERS

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| Michael O'Shea, Upper Carragh Fishery, Glencar, Co. Kerry | 066 9760199 |
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KILLARNEY LAKES AND RIVERS

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| Jeremy O'Neill, O'Neill's Tackle, 6. Plunkett Street, Killarney, Co.Kerry. | 064 6631970 |
| O'Sullivan's Shop, Beaufort Bridge, Killarney, Co. Kerry | 064 6644397 |
| McCarthy's Filling Station, Fossa, Killarney, Co. Kerry | 064 6633907 |

RIVER MAINE

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| Tim Landers, Landers Outdoor World, Mile Height, Killarney Rd, Tralee Co.Kerry www.landersonline.ie | 066 7126644 |
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ETIQUETTE & SAFETY

ANGLERS COUNTRY CODE

- Enjoy the countryside and respect its life and work
- Guard against all risk of fire
- Fasten all gates
- Keep your dogs under close control
- Use gates and stiles to cross fences, hedges and walls
- Leave livestock, crops and machinery alone
- Take your litter home
- Help to keep all water clean
- Protect wildlife, plants and trees
- Take special care on country roads
- Make no unnecessary noise
- Enjoy yourself

FLY FISHING ETIQUETTE

- Know the local fishing regulations
- Fish barbless hooks – fish prefer these
- Be considerate of others
- If you spot someone on or near a section of water, that section is theirs until they move on.
- When passing another angler do it with common sense
- Handle all fish with care

BAIT GATHERERS CODE

- Gather only what you need to ensure future supplies of bait.
- Back fill all holes, for safety, and to maintain the inter-tidal harbour.
- Replace all turned rocks and stones as this will preserve the food chain.
- Do not dig around moorings, slipways, sea walls etc.
- Be aware of local hazards and conditions, i.e. soft mud, quicksand, tidal flows, fog and adverse weather conditions.
- Do not disturb nesting birds.
- Take your litter home.
- Tell someone where you intend to dig.

ANGLING SAFETY: Please follow recognised Safe Angling Practices. If in doubt ask us for advice.

Catch and Release Guidelines for all species

These simple guidelines will give all species of fish a greater chance of survival. A fish is too valuable to be caught and enjoyed only once, be responsible.

- **Use barbless hooks** or pinch the barb flat with pliers. If you use a net, use one made of cotton mesh or rubber. It is less harmful to fish scales, gills and eyes. Only net your fish if it is the only way to control it.
- **Wet your hands when handling fish.** Dry hands and gloves will remove its protective mucous (slime) coating and scales. These protective layers help prevent infection by waterborne disease. Do not beach a fish or let it flop around the deck of the boat.
- **Try not to remove the fish from the water.** If you must, be quick and gentle, do not squeeze the fish. Do not hold the fish near the gills or eyes. Needle nose pliers, hemostats, de-hookers etc., will speed up the removal of a deep set hook.
- **To revive the fish, hold it under the belly and by the tail,** keep it in an upright position underwater, do not move the fish back and forth* (this is also a good time to get a measurement and take a photo). If you are fishing in a river or stream, hold the fish facing the current. Be patient and give the fish as much time as it needs to recover and swim away on its own.

The most important survival factors are:

- **Line test** - Always use the heaviest line possible for each species of fish. Again: the longer you fight a fish, the more lactic acid is built up, the more exhausted it becomes, the greater the chance it will not survive. This is particularly true when fishing large saltwater species.
- **Hook Location** - It would be ideal if all fish were hooked in either the upper or lower lip, unfortunately, this is not always the case. When fishing with small lures or bait the chance for hooking a fish deep in the gullet or in the gills is very high. Try to back the hook out the way it went in. Never pull on the line when the hook is lodged deep in the gullet. Cutting the line and returning the fish to the water as quickly as possible will give it its greatest chance for survival. The longer a fish is out of water and the more you practice your surgical techniques, the more likely that the fish will die.
- **Depth** - When fishing depths of 30 feet or greater, you should bring a fish up slowly to the boat. This sometimes allows the fish to decompress (adjust to the change in water pressure). Pause while reeling the fish in and allow the air or gas from the fishes swim bladder to rise to the surface
- **Water Temperature** - Playing a fish for an extended period of time in warm water increases its chance of dying. When the water temperature is high fish tire much more rapidly due to the increase of lactic acid that builds in their system. When fishing warm water get the fish to you as soon as possible, use a heavier line test than usual.



Weather Forecasts

Weather forecasts are broadcast daily on RTÉ Radio, television and at www.rte.ie. Check programme guides in the daily newspapers for times. Forecasts are also available on Aertel. Telephone weather forecasts are available from Irish Meteorological Service - Met Éireann at www.met.ie. Wind speeds for the whole day should be carefully checked before venturing out on lakes as weather conditions can vary throughout the day.

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