



FISHING GUIDE



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JACKSONVILLE FISHING IS OFF THE HOOK

Whether you are an offshore saltwater cowboy or backwater fly guy, Jacksonville boasts some of the best fishing in the southeast. Here is a quick rundown of where to cast your line for a great catch.

THE RIVER AND BACKWATERS

The St. Johns River with its many creeks, coves and marshes has some killer fishing, whether you are casting a fly from a kayak or dropping a line from a skiff. Near the mouth of the St. Johns, within five miles of the Mayport Inlet, is where anglers are going to hook big seatrout and flounder, and the jetties are always flush with fish. Croakers run hard from Sister's Creek to the Dames Point Bridge. The region called Hannah Mills, which includes Clapboard Creek to Sister Creek are favorites for kayak and small craft fishing for redfish, trout and flounder. Further up river, Mills Cove opens up for catching red drum that love its grassy shallows and oyster beds.

INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY

The mouths of the larger creeks on the ICW are where the fish run hard. Pablo Creek is a favorite for local guides. Spotted seatrout, flounder, black drum and redfish call this brackish tributary home. Largemouth bass are the trophy fish caught in its freshwaters. Cabbage Creek is another hot spot off the ICW, and is known for mostly saltwater species. Word is that there is a spot in between these two creeks that locals call "the tarpon pit." The water there is flush with baby tarpon, but catching them can be a challenge for even the most seasoned angler.

BEACH, SHORELINE AND PIER FISHING

With more than 100 miles of coastline and four large inlets, beach fishing is at its prime. Black drum, speckled sea trout, pompano, whiting and redfish are the prize catches. From Huguenot Beach to Jacksonville Beach, you can't go wrong with a cooler, shrimp for bait and a sand spike. Pier fishing is also an option. There are a variety of small piers to fish from throughout the region, and a couple big stretches of pier as well. Anglers of any expertise should be able to catch a fish off the Jacksonville Beach pier year-round. In the summer, King Mackerel are the prize, while flounder in the fall make for a great meal. The George Crady Bridge Fishing Pier State park is a favorite in north Jacksonville. This mile-long pedestrian only pier is key for catching jack, drum, whiting and tarpon.

OFFSHORE

Whether you are out to catch a kingfish mount, or bring home mahi for dinner, offshore fishing is off the hook in Northeast Florida. For the sportfisher with a big boat, the Gulf Stream is 50-75 miles off the coast. Fishermen can battle it out with dolphin, ballyhoo, marlin and other fighters of the sea. Jacksonville is home to more than 30 offshore and inshore reefs that attract a great diversity of fish and invertebrate life which are fascinating to experience first-hand. Fish like cobia, tarpon, and grouper as well as several large shark species can be spotted off our shores. Our artificial reefs are perfect for a fishing expedition or a diving journey to explore the corals and sponges.



FISH WITH THE PROS

Whether you are an expert or beginner, fishing with a guide is less of a gamble. Equipment, bait and licenses are usually included when you book a charter making it easy for visitors to have a great time out on our waters. Here is a list of some of the top anglers in Northeast Florida that know the region's sweet spots for a great catch.

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