Deschutes River Trout Camp Trip

Thank you for joining us on a Deschutes Camp Trip. Your trip starts at Mack Canyon. The first morning of your trip, we will meet you at 7 am at the Mack Canyon Motor Boat Ramp or Drift Boat Ramp depending on what trip you booked. (directions to Mack Canyon below) If you booked a jet boat trip, then we run a Wooldridge Alaskan jet boat to go from run to run. If you booked a drift boat trip, we will use a drift boat to go from run to run. Some flies are provided, but bring your own too. Please email us if you have questions. littlecreekoutfitters@gmail.com

We provide breakfast, lunch, and dinner on camp trips. Weather permitting, we use Dutch ovens with fresh meats and vegetables. We do not include breakfast on the first morning and dinner on the last evening. Please let us know if you have any food allergies. All meals are skillfully prepared streamside by our staff. We carry all the drinking water; however, we do not provide alcohol; you are welcome to bring your own if you desire.

We set a stationary camp if you booked a jet boat trip for your entire stay riverside (on prime fishing water) accessible from our jet boat trips. On our drift boat trip, we move camp each day. We provide all the camping gear and set up except for your sleeping bag and pillow. Tents are double occupancy or single in large four-person tents, including cots and pads.

In the evening you'll be able to sit back and relax, have a cocktail, or fish the camp water.

Rivers and water are the soul of all life on the planet, so please join us in enjoying, marveling at, and protecting the river. With that in mind, they practice no-trace camping. "Footprints should be the only clue to our presence after we leave."

Guides:

One guide per 1-3 clients is the standard ratio on our jet boat fly-fishing excursions. On a drift boat trip the guide ration is 1 guide per 2 anglers. Our guides have both CPR training and basic first aid certification, along with being fully licensed and insured. We carry a complete first aid kit, as well as a cell phone, for emergencies only. If you have any pre-existing medical conditions or food requests, please let us know in advance (bee sting or food allergies, diabetes, heart conditions, etc.). When you arrive at the river, the crew will have a boat and river safety discussion. We will issue you a life jacket for the trip.

Lodging Options in Maupin:

http://www.riverrunlodge.net

http://deschutesriver.com

What about the last night? We usually hit the boat launch between 2:00 - 3 p.m. depending on your travel needs. Most people fly out the day of the take-out and leave the river early or stay the night in Maupin and fish until late.

Directions to get to Mack's Canyon on the Deschutes River:

From Portland, Oregon: Proceed east on highway 26 though the towns of Sandy, Welches (The Fly-Fishing Shop) and Government Camp. Do not turn on highway 35 (three miles) past Government Camp! Instead, stay on Highway 26 for another 20 miles and turn left on Highway 216 and follow it to Maupin.

At Maupin, cross the Deschutes and immediately turn left onto the Deschutes River access road. Just past the Imperial Hotel and Maupin City Park turn left again. This turn will keep you on the Deschutes Access Road. Proceed about nine miles to Grass Valley road (which is Hwy 216 again). This is just past Sherars Falls. Turn right onto Hwy 216 and go about 3/8 miles. Turn left onto Deschutes Access road and proceed for seventeen miles. This road is very rough and has sharp rocks. Drive 20 miles an hour and enjoy the scenery and avoid flat tires (allow yourself 1-hour + 15-minutes). Mack's Canyon is at the end of the road.

If you have fished with me before, the boat ramp may have changed. Where I will be is not the last boat ramp. The boat ramp where we will meet is the new one at the far end of the campground (by the last public restroom). This is just downstream from the old boat ramp. My boat will be anchored by the new concrete ramp, which may be screened from view by a grove of alder trees.

Fishing License:

Purchase a fishing license on line: https://myodfw.com/articles/oregon-hunting-and-fishing-licenses

Fishing Gear and Pack List:

Clothes:

Good waders

Felt or Cleat Wading Boots

Baseball cap or sun hat

Polarized sunglasses

Long sleeve shirt

Sunscreen

Wading staff recommended

Rain coat

Warm base layer

Camp clothes

Water Bottle

Wading staff

Fishing:

5 or 6 weight rods

Floating line

Nippers

Forceps

Trout flies – Chubbies, Caddis, Parachute Adams, assortment of nymphs

Tippet 4x, 5X

9 Ft Leaders

Camera

Tackle bag