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Where to Go Fishing

Gatlinburg Fishing and Fly Fishing Information

Enjoy the adventure of fighting a trout in part of the 900 miles of rivers and streams that Gatlinburg and the surrounding Park have to offer. All major streams and rivers in Gatlinburg and the surrounding area are regularly stocked with trout while the Great Smoky Mountains National Park remains a haven for native trout.

In Gatlinburg you're allowed to fish in many of the city's stocked waters including West Prong of the Little Pigeon River, LeConte Creek, Roaring Fork Creek and Dudley Creek. There are also two designated children's fishing areas which are heavily stocked with trout. These are located at North Gatlinburg Park, at the northern Parkway entrance to the city, and Mynatt Park off Historic Nature Trail. Both of these sites are marked with signs which indicate the boundaries of the designated areas. By the way, no fishing of any kind is allowed in Gatlinburg on Thursdays; this is the day that the city stocks its waters with trout. In Gatlinburg, only one hook is allowed, corn and other bait is allowed except between December 1st and March 31st which is strictly "catch and release". Only single hook artificial lures and flies are permitted at this time and all trout caught must be immediately released unharmed.

The Great Smoky Mountains National Park is known for the native brook trout, brown trout, and non-native rainbow trout that inhabit its streams and rivers. Gatlinburg and the National Park are crawling (or should we say swimming?) with over 900 miles of rivers and streams that are just waiting for you to cast your line. Before you pack up your tackle box, however, there are local and state regulations that have to be observed. For example, children under the age of nine do not require licenses or permits of any kind, whereas adults must possess various combinations of local and/or state licenses, but don't let this scare you. Licenses are not expensive and easy to obtain. Fishing is permitted in most of the National Park's waters, except for those which are posted otherwise in order to protect certain species of fish. The National Park allows only single-hook lures and flies as bait; no worms, scented lures, corn or natural bait of any kind are permitted. Proper licenses are required.

Smoky Mountain Angler (865-436-8746) is the oldest fishing shop and fishing guide service in Gatlinburg. They are a full service fly fishing shop featuring a full line of fly fishing and spin casting accessories including Smoky Mountain fly patterns and fishing licenses. Stop by for directions to the areas best fishing and to find out what they are hitting on. Their location is on the East Parkway in Gatlinburg. From Jackson Mountain Homes take a left on HWY-321, at Traffic Light #1A continue one block and turn left into Winery Square. They are located above Papa John's Pizza.

Children's Fishing Areas

Take the kids fishing in Gatlinburg. There are two designated children's fishing areas which are heavily stocked with trout. These are located at North Gatlinburg Park, at the northern Parkway entrance to the city, and Mynatt Park off Historic Nature Trail. Both of these sites are marked with signs which indicate the boundaries of the designated areas. What! You forgot your fishing tackle! NO PROBLEM, just go to Smoky Mountain Angler (865-436-8746), they will have everything you need need. Please read the fishing regulations before you go fishing.

Lake Fishing and Boating

Douglas Lake is located only 40 minutes north of Gatlinburg yet most visitors to the area are not aware of this fantastic mountain lake. This beautiful lake offers excellent boating, mountain scenery, and fishing. Douglas Lake is renowned for its Large Mouth Bass and Crappie. Other popular sports fish species include White Bass, Sauger, Black Crappie, Striped Bass, Spotted Bass, Walleye, Blue Cat, Flat Head Catfish, Channel Catfish, Red Horse, Red Breast Sunfish and Bluegill. Douglas Lake is rated one of the top five Crappie fishing lakes in the nation, also in the top 10 in the nation for Large Mouth Bass. Spring and Fall are the more preferred times to fish in Douglas Lake. This recreational lake offers hundreds of square miles to explore, fish, relax and enjoy.

Smokies Angling Adventures Guide Service "Fishing memories to last a lifetime!" Enjoy East Tennessee fishing adventures like no other! Offering year round guided fishing trips on some of East Tennessee's premier lakes & streams with professional guides. Specializing in Largemouth, Smallmouth, and Crappie. Try your hand at Spin or Fly fishing trips for trophy Smallmouth or Trout as well. Family fishing trips on the lakes and rivers are ideal, children love the fast action of Bluegill fishing. What ever your choice, your safety and satisfaction is their top priority. 865-933-3140 or 865-661-5107

Mountain Cove Marina - Located in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains minutes from Gatlinburg you will discover beautiful Douglas Lake and the facilities of Mountain Cove Marina. Found within one quarter mile of Tennessee Valley Authority's "Douglas Dam", Mountain Cove Marina is a full service, year-round facility offering the following amenities:

Ship Store and Information 865-453-3506

Directions: From Jackson Mountain Homes turn left on Hwy-321. Travel 3.4 miles to Hwy-441 (Traffic Light #3) and turn right on Hwy-441. Keep straight 15.7 miles through Pigeon Forge and Sevierville to the traffic light at Douglas Dam Road. Turn right on Douglas Dam Road and travel 4.1 miles, bear right at the gas station and go .5 miles to Dyke Road. Look for the Marina on the right.

1590 Dyke Road, Sevierville, Tennessee 37876

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