



BECHAROF RAPIDS CAMP

Salmon Fishing Nirvana



The Essential Pack List

What You Absolutely Need To Bring To Get The Most From Your Trip

- Personal gear and clothing list
- Fly fishing gear
- Fly patterns and sizes

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1. Our Goal Is For You To Have Fun!



In order to get the most from your trip, it's important to bring the right stuff with you in as compact and lightweight a manner as possible. Doing so means we fly more efficiently and can carry more of your salmon for you on our outbound flight from camp.

We recommend soft sided duffel bags, preferably water proof bags to bring your gear in.

And, soft sided insulated coolers like the ones shown below. They are available online and at most sporting good stores.



2. Essential Things To Bring With You

Clothing

- 2 pair pants (fleece)
- 1 pair light pants for wearing at the lodge
- 2 warm shirts (fleece or wool)
- 2 lightweight shirts for wearing at the lodge
- 4 wicking type t-shirts
- 3 pair wool or thermax socks
- 4 pair of liner socks
- 1 pair breathable or neoprene chest waders (hip waders okay)
- 1 pair light hunting or hiking boots
- 1 pair water proof gloves
- 1 pair wool or fleece gloves
- 1 rain coat and pants such as Helly Hansen Impertech
- 1 set long underwear (under Armor recommended)
- 1 warm, waterproof hat with ear covers
- 1 pair camp shoes such as sneakers
- 1 warm, fleece coat with wind stopper
- 1 balaclava (pull over hat), fleece or wind stopper
- 1 fleece or down vest

Personal Items

Sleeping bag (required), bed roll, pillow (required), towel & wash cloth, water bottle, band aids, BUG REPELLENT, any medications you may need (over the counter, prescription)

Miscellaneous

Camera and film, Small flashlight



3. Fly Fishing Gear

SILVER FISHING:

Rods: 8 to 9 wt. traditional or switch, something that you can throw big flies and heavy lines with in the wind.

Lines: Floating or sinking. Top water opportunities do present themselves from time to time but most fish will be caught sub surface so getting down is nice but floating line with sinking leader works just fine.

Flies: Articulated leaches and streamers in pink, purple, chartreuse, blue, black etc. Sizes 1/0 to 4. Have a handful of top water flies for ideal conditions. These fish seem to lean towards pinks (think roe colored) and chartreuses but they can get a different color stuck in their head everyday so bring a variety.

Keep in mind that getting down to the fish is an important part of the presentation. The best way to accomplish this is by using a 6 inch per second sink tip line, with about 6 feet of 12 lb. mono-filament line between the sink tip and the fly.



Once you get the lead and eyes on the hook, wrap your thread over the lead to hold it down. Tie on your tail and attach your body material then use some head cement to cover the lead and over the eyes and the tail thread. Wrap your body material over the wet head cement. This will give you a durable fly that may not come apart as easily.



5 major characteristics amounted to success in 2012. Weighting the fly as shown in the photo upper left. Chartreuse pearl crystal flash kf-9, marabou and a size, 4 Daiichi 1720 wet/nymph or 2220 streamer hooks with a down eye, tied with a thin body. I also think the red bleeder like on the fly above in the middle added to a few more fish on the line.

3. Fly Fishing Gear Continued (Silver's)



Articulated leach patterns. Keep them thin. Weight the front half and not the back will give this fly a spinner type action on the drop. You can also cut the front hook off like the one on the left, to make it easier to release fish.

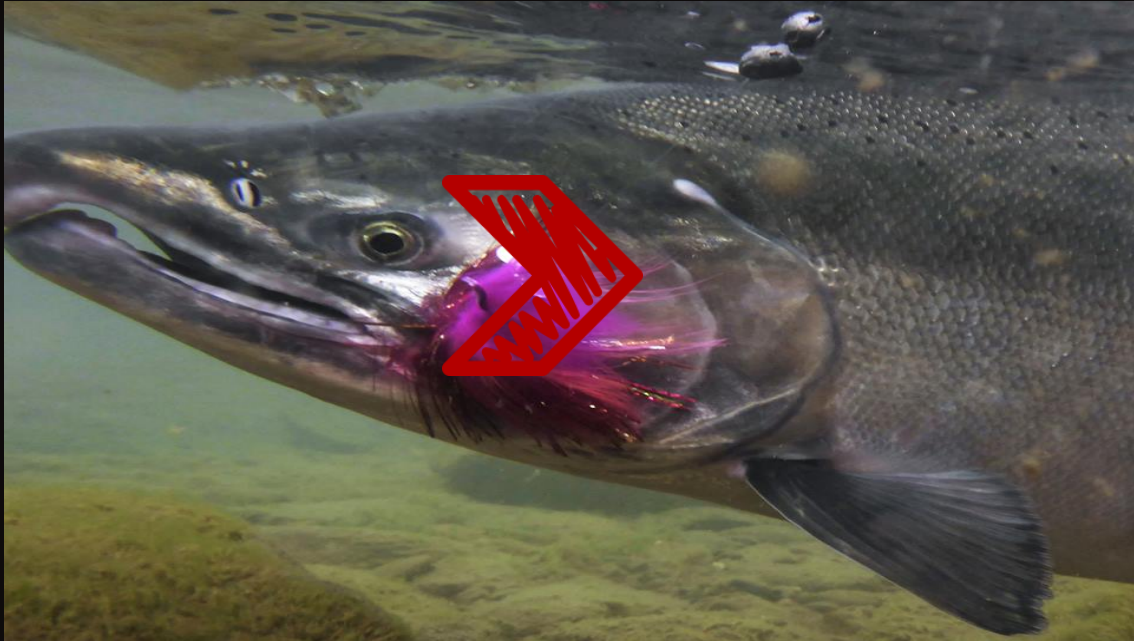


Pink can also be a hot color. Floating flies like wog patterns can also be a lot of fun, not as consistent, but at the right time will be a real exciting way to catch a Silver Salmon. Nothing is more exciting than watching a Silver Salmon chase down and attack your fly right on top of the water. Try some hair stacking for a fly that looks like the one on the lower right.



3. Fly Fishing Gear Continued (Silver's)

Here's a great instructional video on how we tie our flies. Click on the image, or copy and paste the URL under the image to watch.



<https://youtu.be/ihSkfVpHBV0>

Feel free to call David (360)532-7594, with any questions about flies tackle or rods for these fishing trips, he will be glad to help you be prepared. Split shot helps to get down to the Rainbow and Char while dry flies are the ticket for Greyling. 5 or 6 weight fly rods are great for trout.

3. Fly Fishing Gear Continued (Trout)

For those of you going on a fly out for trout, this page will help you be prepared with the right flies.



These three patterns had the best results for trout. Size 14 and 16 hooks.



The dry's work best for the big Grayling.



For Rainbow and Char however, the patterns will be egg imitations on creeks with a sockeye spawn. A variety of combinations will work. At the first part of the season Red is the ticket, then it changes to orange , beads rubber eggs or glow bugs. Finishing up the season with the smallest pearl pink corky on the market. Size 2-4 octopus hooks. Don't leave out the egg sucking leach as well. Split shot helps to get down to the Rainbow and Char while dry flies are the ticket for Greyling. 5 or 6 weight fly rods are great for trout.

4. *Getting Your Alaska Fishing License*

For information about cost and obtaining your Alaska fishing license, please click or visit the following link: <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=license.pricinglist>



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