

LAKE FISHING

Boat Fishing on Lake Taupo

The waters of our beautiful, pristine lake offer excellent fishing all year round and Lake Taupo is arguably the best Rainbow Trout fishery in the world. Most fishing on the Lake takes the form of trolling with lures or flies, no bait fishing is permitted.

The trout now average approximately four pounds and a typical excursion on the Lake will see the crew prepare your catch either barbequed or sashimi style, a real treat as you will not find trout sold in restaurants. The beautiful clear and unpolluted waters, wonderful scenery and friendly crew will inspire you to remember Lake Taupo as a destination marked for your return.



FLY FISHING

Fishing in the Taupo region

Every winter prime Rainbow trout, averaging five pounds and often twice that size, make their way up the rivers from whence they came. Spawning runs of large Brown trout usually start at the end of March with Rainbow trout following until the end of September. During the summer months, most of the fly fisherman's attention turns to the Wilderness Rivers and the superb dry fly fishing on offer. Clad in chest waders, you can nymph or wet fly fish till your heart's content, and when your arm tires you can enjoy the amazing scenery that surrounds you.

The lake provides the fly fishermen with plenty of opportunity. From December onwards, the smelt come into the shallows of the lake to spawn, and are followed by the trout which gorge themselves on this once a year delicacy. Casting to the swirl of the feeding trout, and having the reel scream, will provide you with an adrenalin rush that you'll never forget.

For more sedate action, try your luck at the Browns and Rainbows as they line up at the river mouths, feeding and waiting for the spawning time to arrive. Night time is the most productive time for this type of fishing, although the Tongariro Delta is famous for its all-day action, casting from a small boat anchored in the river mouth. Over the years the stream mouths of the Western Bays have developed a reputation for providing some great action for the fly fishers. Access is by launch or helicopter, often we use the launch as a floating lodge to enable the anglers to keep close to the action!

Lake Taupo is open all year round

Some of the main rivers, up to certain distances, are open all year round as well. However there is a closed season for the upper reaches of the main tributaries of Lake Taupo from **1st June to 30th November**. The Wilderness Rivers are closed for spawning from **1st July to 30th September**.

Note: Rates is in NZD and Subject to our In-House Ex-change Rates. Are rates are subject to changes without prior notice.

For reservation, please call for appointment. – Depart Nov to Mar please book early (less than one month is Urgent Booking – Admin Charge may apply!!)

