

2022 Gear Guide



The Fly-Fishing Life

By the time you get this, let it be spring! It hasn't been above freezing in about two months. Cabin fever? Naw. That happens during cold snaps in March when spring is...almost...here. But I can tell from the uptick in emails and phone calls that this life, our life, is soon to be the fly-fishing life once again...and that gets all of us at the lodge excited. It's why we do what we do.

As with every year, we have new products and old favorites in this year's catalog, along with our 2022 rates and offerings. Some highlights include the return of the Made-in-England Hardy Lightweight Series reels, the new SimmsG3 wader, budget-friendly offerings from Grey's, and a stellar new reel from Hatch. We've delayed the release of this catalog, and have decided to distribute digital-only, due to continued delays in receiving products from our manufacturers.

We will see you in the spring...and that should be soon!

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Josh



Searching for a target...



These items from Simms – some of our most popular – should be in stock soon. All garments will feature this logo, designed by our friend Corey, placement identified in the descriptions for each shirt. Great stuff. Kids shirts available too at www.gatesflyshop.com.

Simms Tech Hoody – Simple lightweight, breathable jersey-knit hoody that stretches with each cast, and wicks moisture. Brown Trout/Light Green. S-XXL. **\$44.95**



Simms Men's Tech Tee – UPF 50, stretch fabric, Stain Away and antimicrobial technology. Trout/Sterling/Storm. S-XXL. **\$39.95**

Simms Bugstopper SolarFlex Hoody – This popular item offers both sun and bug protection and that is everything to the Au Sable angler. UPF 50, Insect Shield, and the hood fits over your fishing cap. This will be your May-July fishing uniform....because it works. Green/Sage, Steel Blue, Riparian Camo. S-XXL. **\$79.95**



Women's Bugstopper Solarflex Hoody – While a lot of customers were satisfied with the Women's Bustopper Hoody, this lightweight alternative is a much-needed addition to the Simms Insect Shield lineup. Cornflower Heather, Cloud Pink, Opal Heather. S-XL. **\$79.95**

The Gates Lodge Hatch Chart

Black Stones, March – April: Loves the sunny, warm days. Fish will eat them in slow glides or in backwaters. Size 12-14

Spring BWOs, April 1—April 30: A foul-weather sailor that hatches in the afternoon and draws the first consistent rises of the year. Water temperatures over 45 preferred. Size 18

Hendrickson, April 15 – May 10: If the water levels play fair, the trout will be there. A pinkish, tannish, oliveish dun. Brown-bodied spinners that trail a bright yellow egg-sack. Afternoon hatcher, early evening spinner. Likes water temperatures over 50 degrees. Size 14

Mahogany, May 5 – May 25: This long-bodied little bug with dun wings is the fly the fish are eating when the fish won't eat your Hendrickson. Size 16.

Black Caddis, May 1 – May 20: A tan wing, dark-gray-bodied caddis that leaves golden shucks on the water at lunchtime. Very tricky. Wears a green egg sack at dusk. Enjoys sunny days. Size 16-18

Popcorn Caddis, May 5 – May 20: Looks like popcorn. A bouncy, spritely bug that seems to entice even large trout to feed in the riffles. Size 16

Brown Bug/Borcher's Drake, May 10 – June 1: The dun is of no importance – it's a land-hatcher – but the spinner is a sneaky, mahogany bodied beauty that lands in odd postures and delights the trout. Sizes 12-14.

Light Hendrickson, or the Yellow-Winged Sulphur, May 10 – 25: Appears cream-yellow, a tall-winged size 16 that hatches in the afternoon on cool days, or early evening, and spins in mass.

Mattress Thrasher, May 1 – August?: Truly there are three or four stones that all look about the same: yellowishthorax with a black-gray body, size 8-12.

Yellow Sallies, May 5 – July 5: Probably several different yellow stoneflies, all fished with the same pattern tied in different sizes. Look for explosive rises near the alders. Sizes 12 – 18

Sulphurs, May 20 – July 1: This little beauty is an evening bug...sometimes even an after dark bug. They can be overshadowed by the brown drake. Beware the quiet riser. Size 18

Brown Drake, May 25 – June 10: The brown drake dwells in muck and hatches and spins in enormous numbers at their own whim. Watch for changes in humidity, thunderstorms, and so on to trigger bug events. Size 8-10

Isonychia, June 1 – July 15, and Aug 25 – Oct 10: The Isonychia hatches twice in the same year, and this makes it the best mayfly to fish blind through the course of the summer. Emerges out of fast water. Dun is battleship gray/green. Spinner is mahogany. Size 10-12

Hex, June 15 – July 10: A plague to some, the best hatch of the year to others. A giant nocturnal mayfly that loves muck. Hatches in warm water sections first. Size 4-8

Microcaddis: Oh, wait, this list was favorite hatches only. Well, here goes. Tiny caddis that flutter over backwaters and entice small trout to leap for them. Read Traver's Dancing Fly. Good luck!

Deer Flies, July 1 – Sept 1: Perhaps the best terrestrial on the Au Sable. Nests on the bottom of the river cedars (or bridges) in huge clumps of thousands of bugs. Size 14-16

Summer Olive, July 1 – Aug 10: The most underrated hatch of the year. Emerges in the mornings, and spins in the evenings. Big enough to entice better fish. From nymph to spinner, this is a great hatch for the light line angler. Size 18.

Trico, July 1 – October 1: This morning mayfly hatches and spins in the same day. Clouds of bugs. Small snooty fish. Like the hex, a plague to some, and paradise to others. Size 24-28

Green Curse, July 1 – November 15: Fifteen minutes of bedlam at last light. A blanket of microscopic bugs, darkness, and pods of trout. Hatch in midday in the fall. Probably several different mayflies, but "green curse" will do. Size 24-28

White Flies, Aug 10 – Sept 20: Only found below Mio pond, this fly has no legs! It hatches and spins in the same evening and molts in mid-air. On the right evening, can entice big trout to rise. Size 12-14

September BWO, September 15 – Oct 15: A midday hatch of bigger mayflies that gets small to medium fish both eating the emergers and the duns. A beautiful hatch to end the season on. Size 20.

The Au Sable Collection: American wrapped staples of the Au Sable box
(we have LOTS of flies for sale at <https://www.gatesflyshop.com/flies/>)

Purple Daze



The do-everything mayfly...\$2.95

The Awesome



An awesome deer fly...\$2.95

Patriot and Purple Patriot



Red=day, purple=evening...\$2.75

The Skunk



Twitchy daytime extraordinaire...\$2.95

Mattress Thrasher



A great imitation of this May-June stone...\$2.95

Robert's Yellow Drake



Sulfurs thru Hex...\$2.95--\$3.50

Borcher's Drake



Go-To Evening Bug...\$2.75

Rusty's White Knot



For the Isonychia and beyond...\$2.95

Fluttering Stone



Available in black, olive, yellow, and Game Warden...\$2.95

Yarn Skunk



Blind fish this during June/July ...\$2.95

Fly Tying

Build a Hackle

Our solution to having too much and/or not enough hackle. These are primarily Whiting Euro and Silver Label hackles, sized by us, and sold for far less than competing "value packs". Plus, you can mix and match, and create your own custom "saddle." Each feather can tie 6-10 dry flies.

\$1/Feather



Loon Tools

We have a full selection of the Loon fly tying tools, and we use them. You can spend more, but Loon has excellent, mid-priced tools that cover the gamut in fly-tying. Kind of an everything you do need, and nothing you don't line of tools. The easiest, best way to re-outfit your tying bench. Check them out at www.gatesflyshop.com

Firehole Tying Table Top – Magnetic top, hackle gage (best hackle gage we've seen), millimeter measure, and just the right size (won't take over your bench). Most tyers find it's exactly what they didn't know their tying bench was missing. **\$55**



We carry vises from Regal and Renzetti, tools from Loon, Dr. Slick, Rite Bobbin and Renzetti, and materials from all the major fly-tying suppliers and some not-so-major suppliers.

Visit us at www.gatesflyshop.com to peruse our ever-expanding fly-tying store.

Visit our Youtube channel to see us tie some of our favorite flies.



Cool Stuff

Gates Mugs – Our classic mug. Great for the office desk, the kitchen table, the cottage, or the drive to the river. A heavy-duty mug that is hard to tip or spill. We have tried to improve on the classic and have determined that it cannot be done! Available in red or green. **\$18.95**



Gates Lodge Coffee – Our own coffee blend, from an Au Sable friend. Medium-bodied and full of Au Sable mojo. Ground or whole bean. **\$14.95**



Gates Lodge Leaders

These leaders are built for the dry-fly angler. 7.5' 2x, 8' 3x, 9' 4x, 9' 5x, 9' 6x. **\$5.99**



McLean's Weight Nets – These simple nets were made with New Zealand trout in mind but they work great on our rivers too. The hand-held offers the wading angler a big target. The boat net folds up, which is great for stashing under a boat seat, and then both unfolds and extends. Both nets offer no-touch weighing of the trout. **Wade Net \$145** (available in multiple colors), **Boat Net \$159** (black)

Simms Kids Bugstopper Hoody – If you want your kid to have fun outdoors, bug management is a summertime necessity. These are field-proven. Steel Heather. Kids Sm-XL. **\$49.95**



New to fly fishing? Here's a page to get you started...

Rental Program – *We want this sport to be accessible for everyone. Renting your equipment is the best way to start down the path and also to see what you like. These are 24-hour rentals...which means you can still fish the evening rise.*

Waders: \$20/day

Boots: \$10/day

Rod and Reel: \$15/day

Everything you need: \$40/day

Gates Lodge's Best Beginner Products:



Orvis Encounter Rod, Reel, Line Outfits: For \$198, open up the box, tie on a fly (we'll show you how) and go fishing! The 9' 5 wt Encounter will do the job for beginning trout anglers. The 9' 8 wt is great for folks that will primarily fish warm water. **\$198**



Orvis Clearwater Waders and Boots: Waders and boots will always cost money. The Clearwater waders and boots strike the balance. Both are available through our online store, or better yet, to try on in person. **Waders: \$229, Boots: \$169.**



Orvis Loaded Lanyard: Keep it simple. You can outgrow a vest or a pack or sling, but you can't outgrow a lanyard. For many, this is the best place to start. Includes tippet, fly patch, nippers, and hemostats. **\$98**

Let us do the rest: Don't buy a "starter set of flies" that doesn't originate on the bodies of water you're going to fish – it's more complicated than that. But, also, don't go buy every fly in the shop – it's not THAT complicated. The best solution is to let the sport come to you, one hatch and season at a time.

New Rods...and Some Favorites



Scott Centric – I was fortunate to fish this rod all summer 2020 in the 4-weight version. A snappy, lightweight rod with enough kick to pitch a streamer. Love the radian, you'll love the Centric. Scott has developed a great one-two punch with the Centric. Perfectly made in Colorado. **\$945**

Winston Pure – Pure quality, pure feel, pure Winston. If you're looking for a rod that excels at trout distances then the Pure is a rod worthy of a place in your quiver. Paired with a Hardy click or a Ross San Miguel it will become an outfit that's just as pleasing to the eye as it is with a wild trout hooked to the opposite end. **\$895**



Orvis H3 Blackout Fly Rods – This specialized series of fly-rods offers some niche rods. The 8'5" 8-weight allows for big flies to be fished in tight cover. The 9'6" 5-weight provides long-line management (even for dry flies), and the 11' 3-weight is a nymphing machine. **\$998.**



Scott Sector – This has become one of the most popular streamer/night fishing rods on the Au Sable. They are also doing double-duty in the salt and on the Great Lakes. Just soft enough to fish a floating line. Plenty fast enough to whip a streamer. We have a variety of options, from 8'-9', and 6 wt - 8 wt. **\$1045**



New Rods...and Some Favorites

Hardy Ultralite SR Fly Rod – This wonderful addition to the Hardy line-up is tailor-made for small stream/light line fishing. Oft-imitated Sintrix technology. 7' 3wt (subtle flies), 7' 5wt (awesome creek/hopper rod), 8' 3 wt (tricos). **\$825-850**



Douglas Upstream and Upstream Plus – These two rods are really riffs on the same theme: dry fly rods with feel. They are very popular on the Au Sable because they load in close, they protect tippet, and they – especially the Upstream – give a lot of play to small fish. The 7'3" 3-wt is the only Upstream that we carry...because it's the best. The Upstream Plus is an excellent all-around fly rod and we carry it up to 6 weight. **\$469-\$549**

G. Loomis NRX Swimfly – This 8'8" 8 wt beauty is tailor-made to fishing streamers on the middle Manistee and Au Sable Rivers...and bass fishing, night fishing, small water pike, and even a little surf-casting. Recoil guides help with ice in the winter. **\$950**



Orvis Clearwater – Affordability and Quality meet with the Orvis Clearwater. Whether you're a seasoned angler or a new angler on the hunt for an affordable option, the Clearwater is a fabulous choice. Now available as an outfit which includes rod, reel, line, backing and rod tube. **\$249 rod/\$398 outfit**

New Line Holders...

Abel Rove – A mix between the Abel Vaya and the old school Abels, this cork-drag is built to be tough, simple, reel that, like all Abels, is just beautiful to look at. Great click. We hope to have these in stock by the time this catalog is released. **Black 5/7, 7/9 or Blue 7/9. From \$=780...**



Hatch Iconic – Covid got in the way of this one, but we are happy to have this reel in stock. Well, we have a few of them...but more on the way. Not sure all the colors we'll have when this becomes available, but the scouting report is strong on the Iconic. Another great reel from Hatch. **3+ \$552, 4+ \$604, 5+ \$657, 7+ \$762**



Bauer RVR – New from Bauer comes the RVR series of reels. Unbelievable tippet protection, smooth operation and very lightweight. Includes Euro and Spey specific models. **\$695/\$755**



Mirage LT Blackout – We're big fans of the Mirage LT. It's a lightweight, large-arbor reel with a delicate drag system that has proven itself both winter and summer. This is just a badass color. Available. LT I = 1-3 wt, LT II = 3-5 wt, LT III 5-7 wt, and LT IV – 7-9 wt. **\$429-\$479**

Orvis Hydros – One of our best selling and favorite workhorse reels received an update in 2020. With an improved, fully sealed drag system and a lightweight large arbor, the Orvis Hydros represents one of the current best values in the reel market. Give the shop a call to chat various color options and sizes. These reels move quick around here! **\$249-\$298**



Collectible Reels



Hardy Brothers 150th anniversary LW Reel – Made in England to be a collector's item, this is one of the signature reels from Hardy, and beloved by trout fishers. At home on bamboo, fiberglass, or graphite. Hardy doesn't do numbers. Flyweight, LRH, St. Andrew, St. Aiden, and the Princess. Details on our site. Big trout make them purr. **\$499-\$529**

Orvis CFO III – Word is that production is delayed, but a new CFO is worth the wait. Made in America, the CFO III is a perfect 5/6. Click. Collectible. Just like the Hardy Lightweight, so glad to see this...when we see it! **\$329**



Great Value Reels



Grey's Tail Fly Reel – Sealed, carbon disc drag, enclosed frame to prevent line escape, and a large arbor. This reel is a winner. 3/4, 5/6, 7/8. **\$129.95 - \$149.95**

Grey's Tital Fly Reel – Grey's new signature reel is all bar stock aluminum and sports a sealed drag system. A dependable, smooth, reliable reel. 3/4, 5/6, 7/8. **\$225.95-279.95**



Euro Gear

Echo Shadow X – The Echo Shadow X is crisp, clean and has tons of feel. We carry the 3 WT versions: 10', 10'6" and 11". This rod can actually do it all. It can fish dries, it can whip around a streamer, is a fine indicator rod and a shop-rat favorite for tight-line presentations and techniques. Comes equipped with a set of additional weights so you're able to balance the rod/reel for less fatigue when running hundreds of short drifts. **\$459.99**



Grey's Fin Euro Nymph Fly Combo – If you want to add tight-line nymphing to your arsenal, or at least have the option to try it on a slow day, this is the affordable way. Designed specifically for the technique, complete with sighter, you simply start fishing right out of the box. **10' 3 wt or 11' 3wt. \$225.95**

Cortland Camo Euro Leader Material – One leader formula simply won't cut it. That's why we brought the Cortland Euro Nymph material aboard. While Maxima is still a great option for leader building, this Cortland material offers anglers a slicker substitute for better movement through the guides. Great for subtle dry fly leaders as well. **\$13.95**



Cortland Indicator Mono Tri-Color – Our preferred sighter material is the perfect end to a good Euro leader. We carry it in a bunch of different sizes. Low clear water, or summer tight line, you'll want the light stuff. High spring water, go heavy. 6.3lb - 11.8 lb. **\$12.95**

Fly Lines



Scientific Anglers Infinity Glow

Our favorite all around fly line, now with a built in glow-tip. This isn't just a hex line! Hendricksons, sulphurs, mahoganies, drakes even summer BWO's all have late evening fishing. Might as well have a glow tip. WF 4-7 Wt in stock. **\$99.95**

Rio Gold Premier Trout Series – After a year, we prefer this line over the more expensive Elite series. Slick, floats high, and is a great all-around fly-line that really suits most modern fly rods. 4-7 wt. **\$99.99**



Orvis Pro Trout Smooth – A gentle, triangle taper: This line has been very popular among those fishing slower fly rods. Loads super easy, lays down flies gently, and roll-casts like a dream. This is one of those lines that was discovered to be something better than advertised. **WF3-WF6. \$98**

Scientific Anglers Titan Sink

We've been putting this line to work. It's easy to cast, sinks like a stone and is easy to mend and control while holding it at depth. This is the sinking line for the upper river. Great roll-casting line. Great line for the wader or the boater. 5-8 weight. **\$99.95**



Scientific Anglers Sink 25 Cold

We carry a bunch of streamer lines, but the SA 25 cold is just so easy to cast. Hates knots. Shoots forever. And has an excellent handling section to aid in mending. This is good on all water; but it excels in big-water, boat-fishing scenarios. 150-400 grain. **\$99.95.**

Odds and Anchors

Premium Cork Amadou – Nothing makes a dry fly quite so dry as amadou. Hang this on your pack, vest or boat bag. Especially important for CDC...in fact, it's hard to imagine fishing a CDC fly without it. **\$16.99**



Simms Wading Staff

In need of a little extra stability? Our most popular wading staff is here to ease your wading. Strength, simplicity and durability combine here. Deployed length of 54.75" and a packed down length of 14". Equipped with a comfortable closed cell foam handle, wrist strap, retractor and compression molded sheath. **\$149.95**

Scientific Anglers Switch Tippet Holder

Stay organized with this great tippet holder from SA. What makes this product so cool is how it can be mounted either horizontally or vertically to your pack, vest or boat. Holds up to 8 spools of tippet. **\$19.95**



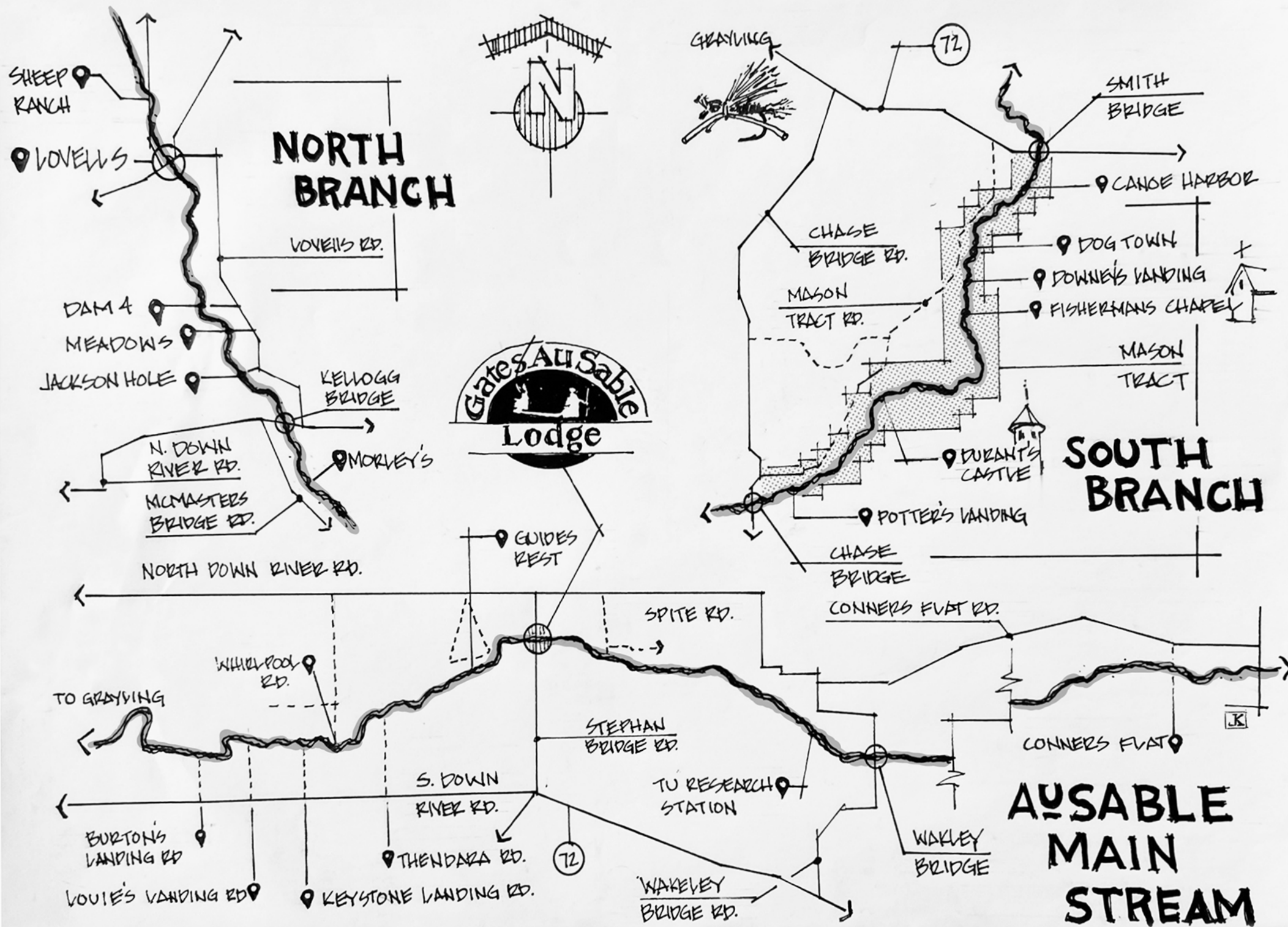
Scientific Anglers "Better Than You Found It" Bag

During peak season I usually find myself digging through my pack to find something and it's either filled with old beer cans, granola bar wrappers and other particles of river trash. The SA "Better Than You Found It" bag attaches to a bag, vest or boat so that whatever you pack in you can comfortably pack out and then some. **\$16.95**

Tornado Anchor

A great drift boat and raft anchor that is LEAD-FREE, bites quickly to the bottom and made in the USA by a friend of the Lodge. These are sweet. Finally a good anchor that is easy to get and ship. We carry them all **(Some sizes still out of stock as of 4/13/22)**





Accessories



Fly Dock

Stick this little fly holder *ANYWHERE*. Top of boat bag, waterproof pack, side of boat, net handle, car dash. **\$7.95**

Fishpond Arrowhead Retractor

Tools cost a bunch, and a good retractor offers better insurance. A smoothly-operating, metal retractor that has proven to be very popular...because it works! **\$29.95**



Leather Lanyard with Fly Docks

We've already featured this beauty throughout the winter. We worked with the maker to add Tacky Fly Docks which allow, the angler to build their perfect fly selection for the day. **\$132**

Tandem Fly Box – This box has slit foam on either side to hold flies, and a leaf to hold pre-tied dropper rigs. Great for summer dry/dropper fishing, or winter nymphing. Great product. New clear design. **\$29.99**



Smith Low Light Ignitor – The best allaround Au Sable/Manistee/low-light lens that we've found. Brightens the dark days, and shields enough sun on the bright ones. **\$229**

Simms Dry Creek Z Gear Pouch, Small – A cute little waterproof bag for holding your valuables. Great for boats of all sizes, or for packing along valuables while wading. **\$59.95**



Fly Boxes

New Tacky Fly Boxes – We carry a wide array of Tacky boxes and we favor them for their ease of use and organization. Below are the new ones...and they are awesome.

Tacky Pescador Fly Box with Mag Pad – The addition of the magnet on the bottom of this fly box allows the angler to diversify the flies they bring while also making quick storage easier. Smoke gray. **\$45.95**



Tacky Original Fly Box with River Mag – A much-needed addition to the Tacky line-up. A magnet backed divided fly box that keeps the wind from stealing your flies. Great for little dries and nymphs. Baja blue. **\$34.95**

Umpqua "Cheap & Goods": Affordable boxes that are surprisingly "right" for the Au Sable



Bug Locker 224 – Drakes, Hex, Hoppers. Shirt Pocket. Wader pouch. Or hang it from a lanyard. It's that simple. Available in Gray. **\$2.49**

Bug Locker 3412 – Water resistant, and holds it all. Au Sable anglers need a box that can hold drakes, isos, and skunks. Blue, Olive, Gray. **\$7.99**



Waders

This isn't all we carry, just some of our favorites. Check out www.gatesflyshop.com to see our full line of waders and boots.

NEW Simms G3 Stockingfoot Waders – Fly-fishing's benchmark wader has been improved upon with better Gore-Tex, better lamination, improved pocket system (including an additional flank pocket), and an even more precise fit. Lots of sizes available. We are experts at fitting customers into Simms waders. **\$599.95**



Orvis Pro Wader – Zippered...or not

We have put the original Orvis Pro Wader through the ultimate test over the past few years. Winter time nymphing, hex fishing, wading miles and miles of the Mason Tract, stuffed into a ball in the back of Josh's truck. And guess what? They're still kicking and just as dry as new. New for 2021 Orvis is offering that same great quality wader with a waterproof chest zipper option. For convenience, comfort and quick on and off. 100% cordura fabric with 4 layers in the upper and 5 layers in the lower. **\$598 w/o zipper, \$749 w/ Zipper**

Patagonia Swiftcurrent Expedition Waders – Yet another high-end wader option, the Patagonia Swiftcurrents offer exceptional design, slightly more "accommodating" fit, excellent strap system, knee pads for trout-stalking. We can help cut through sizing confusion. **\$649**



Orvis Ultralight Wader – We love fishing in and selling these waders. Affordable, durable, lightweight. Not to mention they convert to a waist high wader in a snap! The perfect wader for the angler who spends much of their time stalking the banks or sitting on the banks of the river in June. 4-layer waterproof breathable nylon shell fabric breathes well. Available in a variety of size options. **\$398**

Boots



Simms Flyweight Access Boot – We're very excited to have this very lightweight boot. Simms stickiest rubber sole yet. Great lacing system. Featherweight. This one is a winner. 8-14. **\$249.95**

Simms G4 Pro Wading Boot

Durable, Supportive, with sure-fitting stud ports, water-shedding uppers, and a form fitting heel pocket with closed cell foam – your foot slides right in. Pricey, but made to be the best. We recommend one full size above your street shoe. Sizes 9-15. **\$329.95**



Patagonia River Salt Wading Boot, by Danner

Everyone that has ever used Danner boots knows these are awesome. World class footbed, and absolutely nuts and bolts construction. Made in the USA. These have earned a place in this catalog. 10-14. **\$299**

Simms G3 Guide Wading Boot – An industry standard in wading comfort and durability, just like the aforementioned G3 wader. Tons of ankle support, easy walking, great grip on rocks, easy to take on and off, a durable Vibram sole. Pretty perfect. Need more grip? We can install cleats for you in the shop if you'd like. **\$279.95**



Orvis Pro Wading Boot - Orvis' follow-up to their very popular Ultralight wading boot, this is Orvis' best all-around wading boot ever, in my opinion. Light, but with tons of support. This boot offers a sticky and durable Michelin tread. **\$279**

Women's



Women's G3 Stockingfoot Wader – If the time has come to update your wader, this is the best one. Nothing will be as comfortable or as perfectly fitting. Pricey, yes. But if you live to fish, this is the wader. **\$599.95**

Simms Women's Freestone Wader

Durable waders Designed for women, by women. The new women's Freestone riffs on its awesome predecessor. Back yoke improves torso fit, comfortable stockingfeet, re-engineered gravel guard, hand warmer pocket, and four-layer Toray. In a multitude of size options. **\$299.95**



Simms Women's Flyweight Wading Boot

With all the same great features as the original Flyweight wading boot this boot is tailored to fit women's feet more comfortably. 5-10. **\$199.95**

Simms Women's Challenger Jacket

A full-on waterproof jacket with an excellent 3-point adjustable hood system, handwarmer pockets, sunglass chamois, articulated sleeves, adjustable cuff. It's pretty much all here. Admiral Blue. S-XL. **\$199.95**



Patagonia R1 Air Full-Zip Hoody

Lightweight and quick-drying, made with 100% recycled material. Smolder Blue. S-XL. **\$159**

Women's

Patagonia Early Rise Shirt – A fleece blanket made into a shirt, that's how we describe the Early Rise shirt. Dark Borealis Green. S-XL. **\$129**



Simms W's Bugstopper Legging
Mosquitoes suck, black flies bite...These leggings offer the same protection we all have come to trust from Bugstopper technology, and are perfect under-wader wear. S-XL. Woodland Camo Avalon. **\$99.95**



Kim with an awesome spring 'bow

Men's Clothing

G3 Guide Jacket – The classic got a face-lift. Extremely comfortable and lightweight considering the level of rain protection. 3-Layer Gore-Tex, no-catch watertight cuffs. Tethered lens cloth. Retractor docking station. And, most importantly, Gore-Tex stretch panels for ease of movement. M-XXL. **\$599.95**



Orvis Pro Wading Jacket

A very sleek, light jacket with vertical zippers, fleece-lined handwarmers, internal zipper pocket, as well as a mesh drop-in for a bigger streamer box. New color: Olive/Brown. **\$349**



Simms Flyweight Shell Jacket

Lightweight, durable, packable Gore-Tex. A simple, breathable, packable jacket for the warmer months. Dark Stone fabric, available in M-XXL. **\$299.95**



Patagonia R1 Air Full-Zip Hoody – The wear-around, do-everything, layer/outer that offers a super-lightweight layer of warmth. M-XXL. Black. **\$159**

Patagonia Nano Puff Hoody – The classic. Yeah, it seems that everyone has one. That's because they are warm, comfortable, and can pack down smaller than a football. M-XXL. Sedge Green. **\$249**





Simms Challenger Pants – A traditional, cotton blend pant that boasts DWR water resistant fabric and perforated panels to release heat. Good, solid, pants. Steel, Khaki. 30 - 40 inch waist. 32 inch inseam. **\$69.95**

Stone Cold LS Shirt – Cool to the touch. Wear-around, or wear fishing. This has always been a very popular shirt, and we've featured it before. Just a few new colors we liked. Sage Madras Plaid, Smoked Salmon Plaid. M-XXL. **\$89.95**



Pro Men's Under Wader Pant – We sure liked the looks and price of these under wader pants. Warm, but not so warm that you won't want to wear them in a spring trout stream. S-XXL. **\$139**

Bugstopper Clothing

This product line is so important to us that we carry all of it, from gaiters to hoodies to traditional button up shirts. It works. It works where you live and it works where you're going. Available with and without our logo. Check it out at: GatesFlyShop.com/bugstopper



Packs

"Do you guys even sell vests?" Yes we do! Along with lots of other packs, backpacks, belts and bags.

<https://www.gatesflyshop.com/packs-vests/>



Fishpond Thunderhead Submersible Sling

Our most popular submersible sling is a giant storage space to hold tons of extra boxes. Paired with a chest pack or lanyard, you get the best of both worlds: convenience, and waterproof storage. Great net sleeve. Eco Riverbed Camo. **\$249**

Simms Dry Creek Z Sling – The Simms Dry Creek Z Sling is a completely submersible, surprising subtle waterproof sling. Sits vertical (like a backpack) with two net hanging options (D-Ring or Sleeve) and very comfortable shoulder strap. **\$229.95**



Summit Sling 2.0 – Three main compartments, seven total pockets, YKK zippers, Integrated net sleeves, exterior water bottle holder, and plenty of front-of-chest work station and attachment points. Fishpond's best-selling sling got even better. Granite, Torguta. **\$119.95**

Orvis Regular and Guide Sling

Made with 100% recycled Cordura, this pack is SWEET. In our opinion, best-in-class tippet system. Lots of places for tools. A very nice, versatile, sling pack that is simple and feature-rich. **\$98 Med, \$149 Large**





Fishpond Switchback Wading Belt System 2.0 – Newly, but not differently, manufactured. This very popular item keeps it simple, and the back belt keeps it supportive. Ideal for the shallow water angler that doesn't need the whole vest. **\$119.95**

Fishpond Canyon Creek Chest Pack
Keep your flies close to your chest...and your net on your back. Shoulder and body straps prevent twisting, and the net holder on the back is perfect for easy net access. Great fly-fishing tool. **\$79.95**



Fishpond Ridgeline Tech Pack – Still like the vest, but need to carry it all? The Fishpond vests are superb, and this Ridgeline made our stock list because of the backpack allows an angler to bring a spare rod, water bottle, rain jacket, net...**\$239.95**

Orvis Wader Mud Room – This deceitfully simple design is exactly perfect. Lots of bags like it, but none quite this sensical. Change on the mat, insert wader and boots into pouch to dry, and fold mat up and around. A simple, useful product. **\$69**



Simms Dry Creek Roll Top Backpack – No frills 100% waterproof protection for your gear. Far more affordable than zippered submersibles, this pack will hold a couple fly rods in tubes, or a water bottle, has a D-Ring for a net, and the rest is simply storage. Black or Simms Orange. **\$149.95**

Bags

Simms Stash Bag – The sub-\$200 alternative to boat bags...is a boat bag. Probably designed for hardware chuckers, it works just fine for fly chuckers too. Works just like a boat bag, and it's only **\$129.95**



Orvis Boat Bag

We have lots of boat bags in stock: Simms, Fishpond, Patagonia, Umpqua. But this Orvis bag emerges as the winner. Stiff side walls, perfect design (not too deep), great dividers, and a lid that closes and keeps the water out even if you don't zip it. It might not be your style – that's why we carry so many – but it's a fine piece of equipment (and it better be!) **\$298**



Nets

CF River Products Nets

Manufactured in Frederic, MI by master craftsman Chad Fath. We think these are the very best combination of aesthetic and utility. Small: **\$95**, Large: **\$120**, Boat: **\$185**



Fishpond Nets

From short to long-handled, Fishpond has a net for it. We like the handle design, which allows them to fit into the many holsters on the market, the inch measurements on the handles of the boat nets, and the catch and release bags. Many different iterations and prices. Visit our online store for details.

Bamboo Rods

Keystone Rod Co.

We're proud to carry rods built on the banks of the Au Sable. Duane uses a modified Dickerson taper, which means his rods fish well in real river conditions. They are faster than most bamboo, and the attention to detail, fit and finish are superb. Please contact us for the rods we have in stock. These are heirlooms...and also made to be your new favorite fishing rod. **\$1300+**



Hats



Simms Guide Classic

Weather-resistant waxed cotton fabric, sweatband, black under-brim for glare reduction, and hidden stash pocket. L/XL. **\$79.95**

Patagonia Fly Catcher Hat – Stick your flies on the fly-accepting logo. Great idea. Great fishing hat. Khaki, Gray. **\$39**



Fishpond Drop Off Foam Trucker
Subtle color, mesh back, flattish brim, and very lightweight. **\$24.95**

Orvis Brook Trout Waxed Canvas Hat
What a fishing hat. Sheds water, ages well, and will eventually sport an incredible patina. **\$39**



Lodging

For over fifty years, our lodge – lovingly described as “tastefully outdated” – hearkens back to traditional fish camps...except with WiFi and DirecTV. A classic, nothing-fancy up north fly-fishing lodge complete with a huge fly fishing library for those rainy days. We have 16 rooms with two double beds in each room, and a two-bedroom Brown Trout Suite.

Regular Season Rates (April 1 - October 31)

We can book up quite quickly. Please call well ahead for dates. We take reservations up to 350 days in advance of a requested date. Right of first refusal goes to the customer who last had the dates. We try to honor requests for particular rooms, but can't guarantee specific rooms.

Single Occupancy: \$90/night

Double Occupancy: \$110/night

Brown Trout Suite: \$150/night

Pet Fee: \$10 (we prefer dogs on leashes as opposed to other species and forms of restraint)

We do offer discounted rates in the offseason.

Restaurant



The Restaurant at Gates Lodge offers excellent riverside dining through the fishing season and beyond. From take-out river food, to sit down dinners, and an excellent breakfast, we cram a lot into a small space. Please visit our Facebook page:

<https://b-m.facebook.com/gateslodgerestaurant/>

We post up-to-date menu offerings, hours, and specials.

Guide Trips

Our guides are professional contractors who work almost every day of the fishing season. We are dedicated to making your fishing experience both fun, educational, and worthy of becoming your own special tradition on the Au Sable River.

Please visit our website for current rates, and additional information on the trips we offer.

Contact Josh@GatesLodge.com to book your fishing trip.

A \$100 Fee is charged for trips canceling less than five days from the scheduled float.



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