



Boca Paila Fishing Lodge - Mexico

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Travel Details

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

A valid passport with at least six months' validity remaining is required. U.S. citizens and foreign nationals are required to present a passport to enter or re-enter the United States when traveling from Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, Bermuda and the Caribbean.

A tourist card application will be issued by airlines that fly into Mexico. The card will be checked at your first point of entry; one copy will be retained and the other given to you. Do not lose your copy, as it must be surrendered at Immigration on departure.

No visas are currently required for U.S. citizens to enter Mexico. There is an \$18 Mexican departure tax, payable at the airport on departure; certain airlines are including this as part of the ticket. Please check with your carrier.

Customs Registration Certificate: Available from any U.S. customs office certifying proof of ownership of cameras, jewelry or any other valuables.

Parental Consent for Minors: Children 17 years old or under entering Mexico with one parent must have a notarized letter of consent from the other parent stating the child/children have permission to enter the country. Single parents need notarized documentation of divorce decree or death certificate of spouse. Minors not accompanied by either parent require a notarized letter of consent signed by both parents.

EMERGENCY CONTACT

There is a telephone at Boca Paila that can be reached in times of an emergency through the main office in Tulum: during office hours call 52-984-170-1430 or use 52-998-147-7379 after hours. You may also call the lodge directly at 52-998-185-3570. These numbers must be preceded with the appropriate international access code when calling from outside of Mexico (from the United States first dial 011; from the United Kingdom, 00).

HEALTH CONSIDERATIONS

We are not qualified to offer medical advice and suggest that you consult your physician prior to departure about any recommended vaccinations. Considerations might be tetanus, immune serum globulin for hepatitis, etc. Currently, there are no required inoculations for travel to Mexico.

Guests at Boca Paila seldom report stomach problems, but some people are prone to traveler's diarrhea. It is a good idea to have your physician prescribe an antibiotic that is effective against the kind of bacteria that causes this irritation. Some antibiotics increase sun sensitivity, so tell your physician that you will be spending days in direct sunlight. Also, be sure to pack any medications you normally need in your carry-on bag.

AIRLINE RESERVATIONS

The new U.S. Government Secure Flight Program requires that full passenger names as they appear on your official form of identification (for international travel, your passport) must be used to make reservations. Any discrepancy, misspellings or missing parts of names may result in denied boarding. Once issued, names cannot be changed on air tickets. To ensure that tickets are booked correctly, Frontiers requests a scanned copy of the picture page of your passport, which we will keep on file. We also need to insert your cell and home phone numbers in the airline record so that the carrier can advise you directly of an unexpected delay. For more information about Secure Flight, see www.frontierstravel.com/secureflight.

TRANSPORTING FISHING TACKLE

Please check the Transportation Security Administration's website at www.tsa.gov for current information. You must also contact your airline directly because each air carrier has different requirements.

CANCUN AIRPORT ARRIVAL

Proceed through immigration and customs and exit through the international gate hallway. Continue to the private vehicle hallway on your right, which will take you outside. Here a lodge representative holding a Boca Paila sign will meet you and guide you to the transfer vehicle. Please look for the driver with the lodge sign and ID.

If your arrival to Cancun has been severely delayed, call Claudia Aguado in the Tulum office at 52-984-170-1430 or call the Boca Paila Fishing Lodge at 52-998-185-3570 so a special transfer can be arranged. Alternately you may request taxi service to Boca Paila for approximately \$260 one way. Boca Paila cannot reconfirm flights from the lodge. We do not assume financial responsibility for additional costs incurred because of a mistake made by an airline.

TRANSFERS

Transfer costs are included for those arriving or departing on Sundays. Parties of three or fewer arriving or departing at other times will incur a surcharge of \$180 each way, divided by the number of passengers. Due to the high cost of operating the transfer vehicles, we request that, on arrival, you be prepared to wait for other guests to assemble so that the vehicle departs with no fewer than four passengers (six is ideal). In some cases you might be asked to wait 90 minutes, generally less but occasionally a little more. On departure day, please also understand that the lodge may ask you to depart for the airport several hours earlier than your flight schedule would dictate so as to make efficient use of the vehicle. Expect about a two-hour ride on mostly paved roads.

NOTE TO GROUP LEADERS

It is important that as a group leader you share this pre-trip information with all members of your party so that everyone is adequately prepared, understands the cancellation/refund policy pertaining to their trip, and has the opportunity to purchase the travel protection (especially anyone with a pre-existing health condition). Frontiers cannot assume any financial responsibility for consequences incurred if this information is not provided by you to all members of your group.

Destination Specifics

ARRIVAL AT THE LODGE

The manager and staff will greet you. The atmosphere is very relaxed, and the staff is friendly and willing to do whatever it takes to make your stay pleasurable. Don't hesitate to approach them with a question, problem or special request. Constructive criticism is welcome!

THE LODGE

Located approximately 85 miles south of Cancun in the Yucatan's Sian Ka'an Biosphere Reserve, the lodge has been in the Frontiers' lineup for over 30 years. Owned and operated by the Gonzales family, Boca, as returning guests affectionately call the lodge, offers a genuine Mexican experience, from the wonderful food to the friendly service. The beachfront bungalows are spacious and airy, offering the option of individually controlled air conditioning or you may choose to open the screened-in windows and shutters and enjoy the refreshing sea breezes and sounds of the crashing surf. The main lodge has an inside and outside seating area and features the dining room and bar. Wi-Fi is available in the main lodge only, ask for instructions. There is cell phone coverage depending on your carrier, but make sure you have an international plan as it can be expensive otherwise.

MEAL SCHEDULE

The kitchen opens for breakfast at 6:30 a.m., but coffee is usually available by 6 a.m. Lunch can be packed in the boat cooler and eaten on the water, or you can return to the lodge. Cocktail hour is 6 p.m. and dinner is served from 7 to 8 p.m., with fresh seafood and Mayan recipes the specialties. Indicate special meal requests and dietary restrictions on the questionnaire and consult with the manager upon arrival.

The Boca Paila bar remains open all evening, and it is fully stocked with most of your favorite liquors and a good selection of Mexican beers and wines. Tequila drinks are a house specialty. You can ask to see your tab at any time, and you will be presented with your final total at the end of your stay. If there's a specific brand that you would like, please notify us at least two weeks prior to departure.



WATER

Do not drink the tap water. The staff stocks your room each day with bottles of purified water. No need to take these to the boat; there will be plenty in the cooler. All food is prepared with safe water.

ELECTRICAL CURRENT

There is 24-hour electric service identical to U.S. power (110 volts / 50 cycles).

CURRENCY

The official currency is the Mexican peso. Dollars are accepted almost everywhere, however they should be clean, crisp bills. Visa, MasterCard and American Express are widely accepted.

DAY TRIPS TO TULUM

Tulum is a significant Mayan ruin built around 900 A.D. It is located 1 hour north of Boca Paila and is well worth a half-day visit. Arrangements can be made directly through the lodge for an extra charge.

DEPARTURE DAY

There is no fishing on the day of departure. Since the staff must prepare rooms for incoming guests, check out time is noon. Parties must leave for Cancun at least four hours before flight time. It is not possible to stop at Tulum en route to the airport. While at the lodge, no refunds or credits can be issued for package modifications. All purchases at the lodge are payable by credit card (Visa, MasterCard or American Express), cash or travelers checks. The U.S. dollar is widely accepted so there is little need to exchange currency.

TIPPING

It is customary to tip the guides and staff in Mexico. We recommend \$70 to \$100 per guest for the week for the lodge staff and an average guide tip of \$40 to \$50 per day per boat. Guests aren't charged for fishing time beyond eight hours, but bear in mind that poling the boats is very physically demanding; if your guide puts in extra hours on the water, he should be tipped accordingly.

The Fishing

The daily fishing schedule is flexible, so discuss your plan with the manager every day and review with your guide each morning. Most anglers take advantage of the best time to spot bonefish and permit on the flats, usually from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Earlier and later, the sun angle causes a glare, making the fish difficult to see. In order to maximize time on the water, most anglers request to have a boat lunch packed. The more leisurely option is to come in around noon, enjoy a full lunch in the dining room, then head back out at your own pace, perhaps from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

Each day your guide will stock a cooler on the boat with soft drinks, beer and water. Six soft drinks or beers consumed on the boat are included in the package price. Feel free to offer the guide a soft drink, but lodge policy prohibits his drinking alcoholic beverages.

GUIDES

As a rule, anglers fish with the same guide for the week. The local Mayan guides are experienced but may not speak English well.

WEATHER

The weather can play an important part in your fishing success. For the months of March to October, the average lows are in the 70s with highs ranging from the 80s to the 90s. From November to February, average lows are in the upper 60s with highs in the 80s. Unfortunately, the lodge cannot control the weather, but the guides will make every effort to provide a quality angling experience despite inopportune weather conditions.

GENERAL FISHING CONDITIONS

Flats/Bottom: The majority of the flats at Boca Paila have soft bottoms and therefore are not wadable. There are, however, several areas (especially flats adjacent to the central tidal channel) that are wadable. Most fishing will be done from 16-foot Dolphin skiffs powered by 40 horsepower Yamaha outboards and outfitted with all the amenities: leaning bars, cushioned seats and rod storage.

Although there are many species for the sport fisherman at Boca Paila, the area is best known for its bonefish, permit, tarpon, barracuda and snook. Bonefish range from around 2 to 5 pounds, the 5-pounder being the exception; permit from 3 to 25 pounds; tarpon from 5 to 60 pounds; barracuda from 2 to 35 pounds; and snook from 5 to 20 pounds. Snapper and jack crevalle weighing around 5 to 30 pounds are also present.

Gear

Bonefish

Fly Fishing: The fly fisherman has an advantage over the spin fisherman due to the delicacy of the fly presentation and a more diverse selection of patterns.

General Fly Selection Guidelines: It is important to match the fly's overall color with that of the bottom. The food items that bones prefer are also experts in camouflage and will match to their surroundings perfectly. There are also days when bright pink is the only color that will work. When in doubt, ask your guide for recommendations.

Recommended Bonefish Flies: You should consider taking two to four dozen of the assorted flies listed below for a week's fishing. You needn't include all of these. Most should have standard bead-chain eyes and should be in sizes #4 to #6. Add some size #8 for finicky or spooky fish. Include a handful each of eyeless and lead-eye flies.

- Crazy Charlies (tan, light brown, pink)
- Gotchas
- Shrimp imitations (light brown, light pink), both with rubber legs and lightly weighted such as the Peterson's Spawning Shrimp or Veverka's Mantis Shrimp.
- Small Clouser Minnows (chartreuse and white, tan and white, foxee bonefish)
- Bonefish Scampi
- Crab patterns, including Barry and Cathy Beck's "silly leg" version and yarn crabs in light brown and light green, work well for both bonefish and permit.

Rods: The ideal rod for Boca Paila bones is a stiff, fast-action 9-foot, 6-, 7- or 8-weight. The 6-weight is perfect for calm days. The 8-weight will effectively handle most conditions and have the power to punch out a line in a fairly stiff breeze.

Reels: Should be anodized saltwater models that will hold a full fly line with approximately 100-plus yards of 20-pound backing. Reels with a high quality, smooth disc drag are essential to prevent break-offs from the blistering runs of hooked fish.

Fly Line: Tropical saltwater weight-forward floating fly lines are all that is necessary. Carry at least one extra spool/line in case a fish frays your line on a mangrove root or coral.

Leader/Tippet: Tapered leaders 9- to 10-feet long in the 8- to 12-pound range are recommended. It's always a good idea to start the day with a fresh leader so take enough to cover your days of fishing along with spools of 8- to 15 pound tippet for rebuilding or lengthening leaders.

Permit

Permit are by far the most difficult, picky, frustrating fish you'll encounter on the flats and are considered by many as the ultimate flats species. They have superb eyesight and a well developed sense of smell. Unlike bonefish, permit are excessively finicky about what they eat. They will often charge your offering with reckless abandon, only to stop at the last moment and snobbishly refuse it. Don't become discouraged.

Recommended Permit Flies: Permit have a particular weakness for small crabs so the majority of productive patterns are crab imitators. The most productive at Boca Paila are the Rag Head Crab, Merkin Crab and Cathy Beck Fleeing Crab in muted colors like tan, cream and olive in sizes #6 or #4. Other patterns include Clouser Minnows in various colors and Veverka's Mantis Shrimp.

Rods: The ideal permit rod is a fast-action 9- or 10-weight.

Reels: Those listed for bonefish should fare well against permit; make sure to have at least 150 to 200 yards of 20-pound backing.

Lines: Tropical saltwater weight-forward floating lines are all that is necessary.



Tippet/Leader: Nine- to 12-foot tapered leaders in the 16- to 20-pound range. Fluorocarbon tippet is recommended.

Tarpon (May and June Peak)

Tarpon are the largest, strongest and most acrobatic of the Boca Paila fish. Even juvenile fish will put your angling skills to the test and strain your tackle. This tarpon fishery is not as significant as those found in Belize and Florida. Primarily known for small to mid-sized specimens (5 to 50 pounds), Boca Paila's tarpon should be considered as an added bonus, since the numbers found in these waters are fairly limited. A few, especially the juveniles, remain in the area year-round. Migratory fish begin to show up at the beginning of May and increase significantly from May through June.

Tarpon Flies: A selection of the following in various colors should cover all conditions (sizes 1/0, 2/0 and 3/0): Cockroach, Laid-Up Tarpon, Tarpon Toads, Tarpon Bunny, Sea Habit Bucktail, Black Death, Big Eye Tarpon, Dave's Bead-Belly and Lefty's Deceiver (red / yellow, chartreuse / white).

Rod: The ideal rod for Boca Paila-sized tarpon is a 10-weight. You can get away with a stiff 9-weight, but if you hook a 60-plus pound fish or your guide asks you to cast a 3/0 fly in a 20-knot breeze, you'll wish you had the backbone of a heavier rod.

Reel: Tough, no-nonsense reels are a must when you are playing tarpon. A strong, reliable drag is vital. Capacity: 200 yards with 30-pound backing.

Lines: Tropical saltwater floating lines are recommended, and you may want to take a sink tip fly line to fish the deeper channels.

Leaders and Tippets: For most anglers, pre-made tarpon leaders (offered by Rio and Umpqua) will simplify things considerably. In any case, you need a 12- to 15-inch shock tippet of 60-pound or heavier monofilament. We recommend buying these pre-made leaders with 16- or 20-pound class tippet sections.

Snook

Snook are found in the waters around Boca Paila year round, although their numbers fluctuate somewhat. They are generally not considered a primary target.

Flies: Snook prefer bright-colored flies dressed with a moderate amount of flash. Favorite colors include white, red and yellow. They can also be caught on surface poppers. A combination of the following are recommended: Seaducer (yellow/red and red/white) 2/0; Lefty's Deceiver (red/yellow and green/white) 2/0; Sea Habit Bucktail (green/white); and Clouser Minnows (shiner and chartreuse/white).

If the fish seem interested in your fly but are "short striking," don't be afraid to give your fly a little "haircut" to help shorten its overall length.

Rods/Reels: Your fast-action 9- or 10-weight permit rod / reel setup will also work well for snook.

Lines: In addition to a saltwater floating line, you may want to have a sinking line on hand for blind casting at the mouth of the boca (the opening between the lagoon and the sea).

Leaders/Tippets: Snook will typically blast out of a nightmarish mangrove tangle to take your fly and then try to race back in a frantic attempt to wrap your line around every root they can find. With this in mind, a straight shot of 40-pound tippet material or Mason hard nylon tippet material connected to twelve inches of 50- to 60-pound shock tippet will allow you to keep them out of the "bushes." A shock tippet is needed because of the snook's razor-sharp gill plates.

Other Game Fish

Barracuda, Jacks and Sharks: Lurking at the top of the food chain, these tough flats predators offer some outstanding action on a fly or lure. They will strike anything that darts away from them in an injured manner. When hooked, they are some of the fastest and most powerful fish to be taken on light tackle. For barracuda and jacks, an extra-fast retrieve will usually provoke more strikes than a slow retrieve.

Flies: Barracuda — Needlefish patterns (green/white, chartreuse, blue/white), Braided Barracuda Fly (chartreuse), Rabbit Barracuda (2/0).

Jacks and Sharks — Lefty's Deceiver (red/white and blue/white), Bob's Banger Poppers, Lefty's Cuda / Shark Fly; 2/0 to 3/0 hook.

Rod/Reel: Follow tarpon guidelines; a 10-weight rod is ideal.

Line: Saltwater taper, floating line.

Leader: A wire shock tippet is mandatory for barracuda and sharks. Rio's Toothy Critter Leader or Rio's Knottable Wire are perfect.

BOOKS

We recommend the following books for more information on saltwater fly fishing on the flats. Topics covered include fish behavior as it relates to tides and moon phases, techniques, equipment, destinations and much more.

Fly Fishing the Flats by Barry and Cathy Beck
Fly Fishing for Bonefish by Dick Brown
Bonefishing: Flyfishing the Flats — Bonefish, Permit, Tarpon, Trevally by Randall Kaufmann
Fly Fishing in Saltwater by Lefty Kreh
Fly Fishing in Mexico: Yucatan Peninsula by Francisco Bedeschi and Juan Pablo Reynal

SPIN / CAST RECOMMENDATIONS

Please call or email for our suggested gear list.

Climate and Clothing

Temperatures can range from the upper 60s to the mid-90s. Dress is informal at the lodge; please feel free to wear what you are most comfortable in.

Clothing

- Slacks/shorts: two or three pairs in lightweight, fast-drying synthetic or cotton
- Long-sleeved shirts (for sun protection) in lightweight synthetic or cotton, light colors
- Cotton sweater, fleece jacket or light windbreaker for cool mornings and evenings
- Shoes: one pair rubber-soled, non-slip boat shoes. We and the lodge management highly recommend that all those who plan to wade wear wading shoes with a rigid sole. In some areas around Boca Paila there are saltwater lice that can be bothersome although they are harmless. Long pants tucked into wading shoes will alleviate this problem.
- Fishing hat: should have long front visor with a dark under bill (enhances polarizing qualities of sunglasses) and it must shade face, neck and ears.
- Sunscreen: It is very important that waterproof sunscreen with at least SPF 30 be applied to all exposed skin including your lips. Remember that the sun reflecting off the water can burn your face even if you wear a wide-brimmed hat.
- Buff or bandana for face protection.
- Rain gear: lightweight, breathable jacket and pants (optional) for the occasional shower

Fishing Accessories Checklist

- Waterproof boat bag
- Polarized sunglasses: two pair with brown, copper or amber lenses are indispensable for seeing fish.
- Clippers for cutting monofilament
- Needlenose pliers / forceps
- Fly line dressing
- Hook sharpener
- Pocketknife
- Small towel for wiping hands





Optional

- Scales
- Adhesive tape
- Knot book
- Fly tying equipment
- Zip-loc bags — large and small
- Knot tool
- Tape measure
- Reel grease

Miscellaneous

- Pocketsize digital camera with charger and waterproof case
- Insect repellent
- Snorkel, mask and fins
- Medications you may require
- First-aid kit
- Small flashlight
- Travel alarm clock
- Bathing suit
- Sandals

TACKLE & EQUIPMENT DEALERS

7Days Outdoors, our retail tackle partner, offers destination-specific Fly Fishing Traveler Kits based on your fishing objectives and date of travel. A specialty fly shop, 7Days proudly carries Sage, Tibor, Abel, Rio, Patagonia, Fishpond and other brands.

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FINAL NOTE

Boca Paila is a family-owned-and-operated fishing lodge located in the heart of a remote Mexican paradise. Family members and lodge employees always do their utmost to ensure the comfort of their guests and accommodate all of your needs and requests.

Travel Protection

Frontiers strongly recommends the purchase of travel protection because most of our specialized destinations require significant deposits and prepayment before departure. (Cancellation/refund policies are clearly stated in our brochures and/or on your invoice.)

No Age Limit — 21-Day Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion Waiver*

Frontiers' comprehensive worldwide travel protection package includes (per person):

Trip Cancellation	Trip cost	\$75,000 limit
Trip Interruption	150% of Trip cost	\$112,500 limit
Trip Delay/Missed Connection	\$1,000	\$200 per day
Itinerary Change		\$250
Baggage		\$2,500
Baggage Delay		\$600
Emergency Medical Expense		\$75,000
Medical Evacuation/Repatriation		\$2,000,000
24-hour AD&D		\$25,000
Common Carrier AD&D		\$100,000
Rented Vehicle Damage		\$50,000
Travel Assistance & Concierge		Included

Trip cancellation protection covers situations where someone has deposited and/or made final payment only to find they are unable to travel for any of the "covered" reasons, i.e., death, accidental bodily injury or non pre-existing* illness involving you, immediate family members and travel companions.**

** "Traveling Companion" means a person or persons with whom you have coordinated travel arrangements and intend to travel with during the covered trip (to a maximum of four persons including you).

Note: A group or tour leader is not considered a traveling companion, unless you are sharing room accommodations with the group or tour leader.

* IN ORDER TO WAIVE THE PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITION EXCLUSION, it is important that you purchase the travel protection plan within 21 days of making your initial trip deposit. Terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions apply.

10-DAY REVIEW PERIOD — If you are not completely satisfied within 10 days of purchasing the protection plan, Frontiers will refund you the cost of the protection plan as long as you have not departed on your trip or filed a claim.



Important: You may purchase this protection plan up to 15 days prior to the date of departure by calling the Travel Insurance desk at Frontiers; however, the Pre-existing Condition limitation will apply to purchases made more than 21 days after your initial trip deposit payment.

UK/European Residents: You can obtain travel insurance through Campbell Irvine: www.campbellirvine.com

WHY YOU SHOULD CONSIDER PURCHASING TRAVEL PROTECTION

Provides protection against pre-existing conditions. A “Pre-existing Condition” is one that has manifested itself within the ninety (90) day period prior to you purchasing the Travel Protection plan. This “Pre-existing Condition” clause covers you, your traveling companion, you and/or your traveling companion’s family member or your business partner.

It is important to consider the health of your immediate family when determining whether or not to purchase protection that includes the “Pre-existing Condition” waiver. For example, if a member of your immediate family has just recently been treated for a health problem, it is recommended that you consider protecting the trip at the time you pay the deposit so that you are covered under the “Pre-existing Condition” waiver. This waiver is only available when the travel protection is purchased within 21 days of making your initial trip deposit payment.

In the event you have to file a claim for one of the covered reasons, this protection provides you with primary coverage. In the unfortunate event that you have an accident while traveling and must seek medical attention, you are protected. Your medical expenses will be eligible for reimbursement upon the travel protection company receiving the completed claim paperwork, detailed medical statements from the attending physician, and all medical-related receipts. You do not have to file a claim with your own medical provider first.

There are no deductibles. For example, if a piece of your luggage is stolen or damaged while traveling, with proper documentation, the travel protection will reimburse you for your loss or damage. Your homeowner’s policy may have significant deductibles—this benefit can help reduce some of that expense. You are protected against medical emergencies while traveling. No one expects to have to deal with medical emergencies while traveling, especially traveling abroad, but they do occur. This protection will provide you with up to \$2,000,000 of coverage

in the event of a medical emergency that requires evacuation and transportation to medical facilities. Your private medical insurance may not provide such coverage.

This is a brief description of benefits. Certain, terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations apply.

A copy of the Evidence of Coverage is available for your review on the Frontiers Web site:

www.frontierstravel.com — click on Travel Protection.

The Evidence of Coverage and the Confirmation of Coverage will be forwarded to you by mail upon enrollment, confirming the protection for your trip.

MEDICAL & EMERGENCY EVACUATION

In addition to the above financial travel protection, Frontiers strongly recommends a medical evacuation membership from Global Rescue, a worldwide crisis response provider who will evacuate you from anywhere in the world to your home hospital of choice. They’re unique in their ability to execute in-the-field rescues, even in the most remote places. Global Rescue provides you with essential medical and security advice, extraction, and evacuation services any time you travel, domestically and internationally. Please review the plan options at www.globalrescue.com/frontiers, enroll and travel with peace of mind.

Note About Weather

Weather-related issues can be concerning when they threaten to effect an upcoming trip. Regardless of whether you’ve been saving to go on the fishing trip of a lifetime or you’re taking your fourth trip this year, nobody looks forward to traveling when weather conditions are less than ideal. Storms forecasted for the area you are planning to visit often cause a great deal of unnecessary anxiety, and it’s important to keep a couple of things in mind:

1. Most inclement weather comes and goes fairly quickly, making unfavorable conditions a short-term issue. In reality, there are very few instances where the weather makes a resource “unfishable.”
2. Weather has a way of proving meteorologists wrong (usually on a regular basis). Many an angler has felt relief when arriving at the lodge to find good conditions and better than expected fishing.

At most locations, no refunds or credits will be offered for unused land arrangements or fishing time lost due to inclement weather. Unless conditions are extremely severe, such as a hurricane warning for the island you are headed to, lodges will not issue credits or refunds partly due to the fact that they are fully provisioned for your reserved period of fishing. Supplies of food and drinks, reserved guides, and hired staff are some of the considerations that lodge managers face when deciding whether or not conditions warrant cancellations. Often these lodges are located in remote, logistically challenging areas of the world, further complicating the matter. Ultimately, the decision regarding cancellations and refunds resides with the individual lodge, and Frontiers and our clients are obliged to abide by the terms and conditions that they set forth.

We wish you good weather and great fishing on your trip. Please call us if you have any questions.

Travel Smart

Unfortunately, tourists are occasionally targets of pickpockets, purse snatching, and "taxi" theft. We offer the following suggestions in an effort to enhance your travel experience. Please use the same good judgment and precautions as you would in any city.

- Do not take expensive watches or jewelry. Leave your Rolex and diamonds at home.
- Be especially aware when walking or touring in large cities. Use common sense and avoid isolated areas. Consult maps or guidebooks before leaving your hotel so you have directions to your destination in hand. A tourist with an open map on the street may attract unwelcome attention.
- Ask your hotel or restaurant to arrange a hired car or official metered taxi on your behalf. Do not take street-hailed taxis.
- Do not pack cameras, computers, or other appliances of value in your checked luggage.
- Make sure all checked bags have locks; however, they must be removed before checking in at the airline counter or they will be cut off. They will be unlocked and contents inspected upon check in, then relocked.
- Carry purses and cameras with straps across your chest, not just on your shoulder.
- Do not leave money, cameras or other valuables visible in hotel rooms.
- Use room safes for cash, tickets or other valuables when you leave your hotel.
- Do not take large amounts of cash when you leave your hotel. All first-class hotels, restaurants, and shops accept major credit cards. Have your credit card numbers written down and kept in a safe place other than your wallet or purse.
- Make two photocopies of the picture page of your passport; carry one separately from your other documents and also keep a copy in a safe place at home. Should your passport be lost or stolen, this information will make it much easier to have a new one issued.



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