

FLOAT/WADE FLY FISHING TRIPS

\$475 per day (includes lunch) **Boats accommodate 2 persons plus guide**

Fishing Licenses not included in price of excursions/trips. For license information check out <u>Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks</u>.

FLOAT WADE FLY FISHING TRIP

We offer single day and multiday float fly fishing trips on southwest Montana's finest rivers. ABO's Operations are based out of both Bozeman and Big Timber, giving us the ability to cover the whole region. We typically focus on the Yellowstone, Boulder, Madison and Gallatin rivers, with the ability for multiday trips on the Missouri, Big Horn and Big Hole upon request. Our boats accommodate two fishermen and a guide.

A day on the river with Absaroka Beartooth Outfitters starts early in the morning with transportation included to and from the river. You will fish with comfort and ease from the best drift boats on the market. Fishing from a drift boat offers the angler several advantages, including the ability to present their fly correctly without difficult wading conditions or impeded back casts. Floating gives fishermen the chance to cover more water, see lots of scenery and have new fishing opportunities with every cast. In addition to water, scenery and fish, our guides will cook you a hot, shore side lunch, served picnic style. A table and chairs will be provided for your comfort.

Our guides like to fish the river in accordance to the conditions, hatches and fish activity of each day. Our goal is to customize your trip to be the best possible. If the fishing is getting hot early or late we try to adjust river time for your best fishing opportunity. This is not an 8-5 job for us. It's about fishing and sharing the incredible opportunities Montana has to offer.

Non-anglers are encouraged to join in the adventure. Whether the non-anglers' preference is to float and read or to enjoy the sights, sounds, and fresh air of the Big Sky Country, our comfortable drift boats will provide them a relaxing day on one of Montana's pristine rivers.

WATERS WE FISH – Bighorn, Boulder, Gallatin, Madison, Missouri and Yellowstone Rivers.



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FLOAT/WADE FLY FISHING TRIP DATES

Peak season is June through September. However, due to our many fishing options we have the ability to provide productive fishing year-round.

Trip dates are to be determined with our clients. You may call or email to request trip dates.

Email: cameron@aboadventures.com Cell: 406-599-9996 or 406-931-0102

DEPOSIT, PAYMENT AND REFUND POLICY

A deposit of 50% of the trip is required to book your reservation.

This deposit is non-refundable.

The balance of the trip is due 30 days prior to trip date and is nonrefundable.

Trips not fully paid by this date will be considered cancelled.

We recommend Trip Cancellation Insurance. Montana Outfitters & Guides Association suggests Global Rescue travel insurance.

http://www.montanaoutfitters.org/travelersinsurance/

We accept Credit Cards (Visa/MasterCard only) and Checks Make Checks Payable to: Absaroka Beartooth Outfitters, Inc.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

The rates for float fishing trips include:

- Transportation from the Bozeman or Big Timber area hotels to and from river
- Rods and Reels
- Flies
- Non-alcoholic beverages (BYOB)
- Hot shore lunch
- Experienced guides

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

The rates for float fishing trips do not include:

- Transportation to Montana
- Lodging
- Montana fishing licenses
- Waders
- Gratuities for guides



TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS FLOAT/WADE FLY FISHING TRIPS

- ♣ You will need to make hotel reservations for your stay in either Bozeman or Big Timber, depending on your fishing destination. You will be picked up early in the morning from your hotel on the day of your float trip and returned to your hotel in the late afternoon or early evening.
- Hotel information is listed on the next page. Please check in with ABO (406-599-9996) upon arrival to let us know you have arrived. Leave your cell phone number so we can call and confirm the morning departure time.
- **Guests Driving**: Bozeman is located of Interstate 90. Big Timber is located off Interstate 90 between Bozeman and Billings. Bozeman to Big Timber is 60 miles, driving time 1 hour. Billings to Big Timber is 90 miles, driving time 1½ hours.
- Guests Flying: Plan to fly into the Bozeman International Airport (BZN) the day before your trip begins. The following airlines service Bozeman:

Delta 1-800-325-1999 American 1-800-433-7300 Northwest 1-800-225-2525 Horizon Air 1-800-547-9308 Alaska Airlines 1-800-252-7522 Frontier 1-800-432-1359

The service is usually very good into Bozeman. However, this is a college town, home to Montana State University, so make your reservations early. Check out **Montana Travel** (1-800-247-3538) or (info@mttravel.com) for some of the best air fares available. Remember, Bozeman is on Mountain Time so keep that in mind when making your travel arrangements.

The Bozeman hotels we recommend provide shuttle service to and from the airport. If you are not renting a car and want to stay in Big Timber rather than Bozeman we will provide you with shuttle service from Bozeman to your hotel in Big Timber and return you to your hotel in Bozeman at the end of your trip. The cost of this service is \$300 round trip per vehicle. (Example – If we are picking up 4 clients and their gear in one vehicle, the cost would be \$75 round trip per person. If we are picking up 1 client, the cost would be \$300 round trip for that one client.)



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HOTEL INFORMATION

Bozeman, Montana

The C'mon Inn (www.cmoninn.com) (406-587-3555).

The **C'mon Inn's** heavy timbered look with Montana's big game animals perched on rocks above waterfalls has the charm and feel of a mountain lodge. Comfortable rooms, an indoor pool, several hot tubs, a breakfast bar and shuttle service to the airport leave you wanting for little. The Outback Steakhouse is conveniently located next door. The C'mon Inn is located off Interstate 90 at Exit 305 on East Valley Center Road. Ask for Absaroka-Beartooth Outfitters' (ABO) associated rates to receive a substantial discount on your room.

↓ The Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites Bozeman West (www.holidayinnexpress.com) (406-582-4995).

The **Holiday Inn Express** is a small, friendly hotel conveniently located at 2305 Catron Street. The Inn has a breakfast bar that opens at 5:30 each morning, comfortable rooms, pool and exercise facility. They provide shuttle service to the airport. Make your reservations early. The summer is a busy time for tourists while the fall is filled with college related activities.

Bozeman is a delightful old western town with great restaurants, wonderful art galleries, the Museum of the Rockies and many other fun places to visit. If you have the time, arrive a day or two early or stay over a day after your ABO trip to enjoy some of what Bozeman has to offer.

Big Timber, Montana

◆ The Grand Hotel (www.thegrand-hotel.com) (406-932-4459).

The Grand Hotel Bed and Breakfast is a charming and beautifully renovated historical hotel in downtown Big Timber. The hotel provides a wonderful full breakfast but not before 8:00 am. It has a well-stocked vintage bar which serves lunch and dinner. But for those with a "grander" palette it sports a fabulous restaurant that serves delicious gourmet dinners. The dining room is very popular so be sure to **make a reservation**.

The Super 8 Motel (www.super8.com) (406-932-8888).

The Super 8 Motel has comfortable rooms with small refrigerators and serves a light breakfast. For a heartier breakfast, the Country Skillet is across the street and opens at 6:00 AM.



EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING LIST FLOAT/WADE FLY FISHING TRIPS

Recommended gear for float fishing trips

Weather may vary during the summer months from very warm to very cold, so be prepared for everything. We recommend the layered system of dressing.

wading shoes/sandals (On warm summer days wet wading is preferable or
both float and wade fishing trips) ***
waders and wading boots ***
non-cotton socks
warm and cold weather clothing (Montana weather is always changing)
rain gear
windbreaker
sunscreen
polarized sunglasses
sun and rain hat
5-6 wt. rod
0-6x tippet
3x, 4x, 5x 9ft. leaders
sinking line for streamer fishing
secret flies (We are always looking for new ties.)
OPTIONAL OR LUXURY ITEMS
Binoculars
GPS, Range Finder, Cell phone
Camera/extra film
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*** We ask that all footwear worn into Montana's waters has non-slip rubber bottoms, NO FELT. This is due to the potential for aquatic invasives (non-native invasive species). Cleaning the bottom of your rubber sole sandals, waders and wading boots with 409 is an excellent way to protect against spreading non-native invasive species.