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## Float Fly-Fishing Trips

\$560 per guide – Full Day (includes lunch)

\$440 per guide – Half Day (no lunch)

***Boats accommodate 2 persons plus guide***

***Fishing Licenses not included in price of excursions/trips. For license information check out [Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks](#).***

## Float Fly-Fishing Trips

We offer single day and multi-day float fly fishing trips on southwest Montana's finest rivers. ABO is based out of Big Timber with fishing partners based in Livingston and Bozeman, giving us the ability to cover the whole region. We typically focus on the Yellowstone, Boulder, Madison and Gallatin rivers, with the ability for multi-day trips on the Missouri, Big Horn and Big Hole upon request. Boats accommodate two fishermen and a guide.

A day on the river 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.

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



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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.

## Float 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](mailto:cameron@ABOadventures.com)**

**Cell: 406-579-3866 or 406-931-0102**

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## 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)
- Lunch
- Experienced guides

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## What's Not Included

### The rates for float fishing trips do not include:

- Transportation to Montana
  - Lodging
  - Montana fishing licenses
  - Waders
  - Gratuities for guides
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## 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 (406-579-3866) 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 off 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

Alaska 1-800-252-7522

United 1-800-864-8331

The service is usually very good into Bozeman. However, this is a college town, home to Montana State University, so make your reservations early.



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Check out **Montana Travel** (1-800-247-3538) or ([info@mttravel.com](mailto: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.

We recommend you rent a car. It is an easy drive from the Bozeman airport east on Interstate 90 to Big Timber. It is a very busy time of year and all our "hands" are busy preparing a great adventure for you.

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## Hotel Information

### Bozeman, Montana

#### **THE C'MON INN**

([www.cmoninn.com](http://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](http://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.



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## Big Timber, Montana

### **ABO LODGE & RANCH HOUSE**

[www.ABOadventures.com](http://www.ABOadventures.com) (406-931-0102) (406-579-3866)

ABO lodge and ranch house are located on Cross Triangle Ranch, a working cattle and sheep ranch, in Big Timber, MT. We offer affordable, comfortable lodging from which to base your explorations in Big Sky Country. The headquarters for Absaroka Beartooth Outfitters is also located on the ranch and offers lodge and house guests a variety of fun activities to fill their days. Activities include horseback riding, fishing, floating on the Yellowstone river and ATV tours on our working cattle and sheep ranch. If you want to help feed the sheep or move a few cows, we can always use an extra hand. Helicopter rides to access a day in the mountains are also available. You choose, we provide the experience. Families welcomed!

**ABO Lodge** - provides comfortable rooms with vistas of the Crazy Mountains, green grasslands for horse and cattle grazing and a pond. There are five rooms in the lodge, Two of the rooms have queen beds & one extra-long twin, two rooms have two extra-long twin beds and one room has one queen bed. The rooms share two full baths with another full bath in the main lodge. There is a washer and dryer conveniently located near the rooms for guests. A microwave and refrigerator are available for guest use in the main lodge. The main lodge is a large open concept room with a sitting and TV area, dining area and kitchen. The main lodge kitchen is not available for guests to cook but a cook is available upon request for an extra charge.

**Lodge Room Cost:** \$75 per room/per night - 2 people per room (some rooms will sleep 3 people- 3<sup>rd</sup> person additional \$15 per night. Check in time is 4:00 pm Check out time is 10:00 am

**Cross Triangle Ranch** - Another lodging option ABO offers, is a 1500 sq. ft. ranch house next door to the lodge. It has 4 bedrooms, a full kitchen with open concept living and dining areas, two full baths, washer & dryer and a deck with a great view of the Crazy Mountains. The house is furnished, sleeps up to 7 people and has a fully equipped kitchen.

**Ranch House Cost:** \$250 per night – minimum 2 nights  
Weekly rental - \$1650 -Friday -Thursday  
Check in time is 4:00 pm Check out time is 10:00 am



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**The Grand Hotel** ([www.thegrand-hotel.com](http://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** ([www.super8.com](http://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.

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# 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 on 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  
Spirited beverage if desired

**\*\*\* 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.**