



Free State Fly Fishers Outing

When: December 13, 2024

Where: Chesapeake Bay from Chesapeake Beach to Point Lookout

Outing Coordinator: Captain Scott Barmby 240-372-1864 scott@fishrockon.com

Meeting Time/Location: We will meet between 6:00 and 6:30 AM depending on winds and tides.

We will be fishing out of a location still to be determined at this time. The options are: Chesapeake Beach MD, Solomons Island MD and Point Lookout MD.

Directions to the Fishing Location: Will be e-mailed to attendees once we have locked in a launch location.

Species of Interest: Trophy winter Striped Bass

Equipment Needed: 9 weight fly rods are recommended. The fish can be deep so sinking or intermediate lines are required. We will have all Orvis outfits ready for anyone that wants or needs to use them. We will also have spin rods available.

Recommended Flies:

License Required: Maryland Fishing License for Tidal and Coastal Waters

Other Trip Logistics and Fishing Information: Every year the middle Chesapeake Bay comes alive with TROPHY striped bass from mid-December through March. Then they are GONE and migrate north for the summer. You want your personal best striper over 40" ...Maybe a 50" fish? Jump on the boat because this is the time to make it happen.

This is 4-5-hour trip depending on WEATHER, tides, fishing locations, time of day and currents. For these trips we will fish from Chesapeake Beach to Point Lookout. It's a great opportunity to see what's been hiding in your backyard all winter. Using slightly different techniques than most, we will be catching big striped bass. Top water, fly fishing, jigging or any combination can make for a fun and exciting day. Again, this is a 4-5-hour trip depending on tides, fishing locations, time of day, currents, and most of all weather.

This is a 100% catch and release trophy charter.

Cost will be \$175 per club member on a 4- 5-hour charter with 4 anglers per boat.

What's included:

- State of the art fishing boats.

- All safety equipment.
- Fishing License for all guests.
- Top of the line rods and reels.
- The Bays best Lures or flies.
- All bait if bait fishing.
- Water, Gatorade and Ice.
- USCG licensed captain
- MD licensed fishing guide and mate if needed.

What to bring:

- Any Food or drinks you may want (we have water and Gatorade for you)
- Sunscreen (No Spray on the boat please!!!)
- UPF 50 long sleeve shirt or similar
- A hat
- Sunglasses (Smith polarized sunglasses will allow you to see fish)
- We have Smith Sunglasses for you if needed
- Non marking shoes (no black soles please)
- Rain Gear
- Appropriate clothing for the weather (best to dress in layers)
- Please no GLASS bottles

Safety: Safety is a paramount concern on all FSFF sponsored outings. On all FSFF sponsored outings, please be safe out there as it is your responsibility to stay within your capabilities and practice water safety at all time. Check with the above listed outing coordinator for more information on the fishing conditions if you have any concerns or questions. If boating, always wear your PFD and if water temperatures are below 60 degrees F, have a plan to protect yourself from cold water immersion hazards should you fall in.

Liability Waiver: It is mandatory that any trip attendees of this trip sign the FSFF Liability Waiver and submit them to Frank Bowne, FSFF Membership Coordinator. Copies of the waiver can be accessed on the club's website at: <https://fs-ff.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Liability-Waiver-With-Printed-Name.pdf>.

Trash Removal: And please remember we are asking all outing participants to try and pick up five pieces of trash during each outing.