

# Andros Island Bonefish Club Andros Island, Bahamas November 1st – 6th, 2025

Thanks for signing up with Mad River Outfitters for an excursion to The Andros Island Bonefish Club. Andros Island is considered one of the ultimate experiences in sight fishing for bones. We are thrilled to have chosen to fish with us.

Following is some important information on the trip including an equipment listing. If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact Brian Flechsig at the shop.

Also, if you haven't already, a 50% deposit is required to hold your spot and the full balance is due no later than 90 days prior to the trip.

<u>Itinerary-</u> You should plan on arriving at the Andros Town/Fresh Creek airport on the afternoon of the first day of your booking. You will be picked up by taxi (approximately \$10-\$15 depending on # of folks) and taken to the lodge where you will have dinner and get ready for the fishing frenzy. You will then fish with guides for the duration of your trip. You will depart on the morning of your last day of booking back to Nassau. We will get you to the airport for your departure from Andros. Included in the price of the trip is all accommodations and meals at the lodge, fishing with boat, guide and lunch. Package *does not* include airfare from hometown to Andros Island, taxi to and from lodge (split between riders), alcoholic beverages, soft drinks, gratuities, items of a personal nature including fishing tackle, telephone calls etc.

<u>Flight Information-</u> Currently, the best option is to plan on getting to Nassau, Bahamas and then flying LeAir over to Andros Town. LeAir can be contacted at 242-377-2356- <u>www.flyleair.com</u>. Aircraft flying to Andros Town/Fresh Creek are often small twin-engine planes. It is recommended that passengers carry no more than 50 pounds of luggage and rod cases should be limited to 6 ½ feet long. U.S. citizens are required to have proof of citizenship for travel in the Bahamas. A valid passport is now required to enter the Bahamas.

\*\*Once you have your travel plans made, please forward them to Mad River Outfitters so that we can keep track of when everyone is arriving/departing!!!

### **Recommended Takcle List-**

**Rods-** Bring at least 2 rods, Suggested is an 8wt for bonefish. Some folks like to fish 7wt on calm days but the 8wt is the sure bet. 4-piece are more convenient for traveling. 9-10wt for larger, deep water species and barracuda.

**Reels-** Should be anodized, corrosion-resistant saltwater models, with a high quality drag, that will hold a fly line and at least 200 yards of backing

**Fly Lines-** Weight-forward floating lines are necessary. The Flip Pallot model from Cortland is an excellent choice for all around flats fishing as well as the Scientific Anglers Grand Slam or Bonefish Taper. A sinking tip line could be useful if you have them and would like to try some deep water fishing.

**Leader/Tippet-** Tapered leaders of 9-12 feet are recommended. Bring spools 15-20lb tippet/material (Maxima Clear, Ultragreen or Cortland Mono Leader Material). Wire shock tippet is mandatory if fishing for barracuda. **Flies-** Most situations call for flies with small lead eyes but you would also want to have some bead chain options for shallow water and spooky fish. Gotchas and Clouser Minnows are most popular patterns. Sizes #6, #4 and #2. The **Andros Island Gotcha** is definitely an island favorite although many shrimp and crab patterns will work.

#### Other Accessories-

- -polarized sunglasses, two pair
- -nippers for cutting monofilament AND a nail knot tool
- -hook sharpener
- -fly line dressing
- -needlenose pliers/forceps
- -waterproof boat bag for storing tackle, phone, clothing etc.
- line cleaner/Special Delivery Fly Line Dressing

#### Clothing-

- -Long sleeved shirts, long and short pants, in lightweight cotton or quick dry nylon
- -Lightweight rain gear for the occasional shower and morning/evening boat runs
- -Fishing hat with a long front visor or big rim for sun protection on face, neck and ears
- -Rubber soled shoes for wading or while in the boat- "Flats" type wading shoes will be good to have also

## Miscellaneous-

- -Insect repellent
- -Sunscreen, waterproof with an SPF of at least 30 and lip balm of the same
- -Any medications you may require, also to include Pepto Bismol
- -Personal items
- -Flashlight
- Be sure to see our video on proper preparation and packing for this trip. Can be found on our YouTube Channel.

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