



REDFISH XV

A best guess guide to find and catch the
big ones and win big.

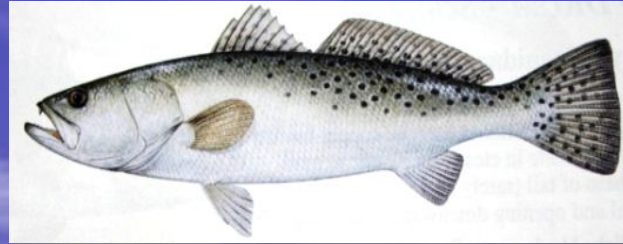
Covid 19 Edition

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REDFISH XV / COVID REVENGE

- Spotted Seatrout
- Snook
- Redfish (Count as two)

Seatrout



Spotted Trout

- Like grass flats 3' – 10' range
- Prefer cooler water
- Goes into sand holes near flats in cool snap
- Eat bait fish and shrimp
- Travel in schools, by class
- Does not hug shoreline

Seatrout - What to use

- Light to medium rod, spinning reel
- 20 LB Braid test line
- 20 LB fluorocarbon leader 2' long
- 1/8 – 3/8 oz. jig heads
- Jig head with Gulp
- Popping cork and #2 or #3 hooks

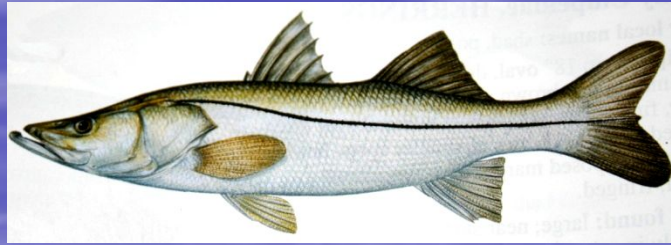
Seatrout – What to use

- Body colors – white, pink, lt. green, yellow
- Body shapes – fish, twister tail, shrimp
- Feathered jigs
- Jigs tipped with small piece of shrimp
- Early AM top water popping lure (¼ oz.)
- Yo-yo Rattle Trap

Seatrout

- Medium to slow retrieve
- Darting / twitching motion
- Modest hook set, mouths are soft
- Watch for follows or surface feeding
- Drift an area till hook up
- Try various depths
- If you get one, you should get more

Snook



- Hunt by ambush
- Under docks, logs, mangroves, in shade
- Like warmer water - 70°
- Eat bait fish, crabs and shrimp
- Backwater, near shore reefs and beaches
- Structure oriented, pilings, inlets and bars
- Tends to be near main current

Snook – What to use

- Medium, medium/heavy action rod, spinning reel
- 30lb. Braid test line
- 30 lb. test fluorocarbon leader, 2' - 3' long
- Direct tie leader to line
- Popping corks live shrimp & live fingerlings
- Top Water Stick Baits

Snook – What to use

- Jig head $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ oz.
- Body – shrimp, twister tail, fish shaped
- Color – white, brown, yellow, red, pink
- Feathered jigs – assorted colors
- All tipped with a small piece of shrimp
- Scented plastic baits

Snook – What to use

- Crank baits $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.
- Top water lures – early AM
- Rattle Traps
- Popping cork under cover - Mangroves
- Warmer water – faster retrieve
- Always check leader after hook-up

Snook

- Aggressive strike, will chase lures, jumps
- High speed runs – sprinter
- Runs Beaches nearer shore than you think
- Razor sharp gill plates – cut leader and you
- Uses structure to ambush
- Likes shade – cover - Docks
- Once hooked will often run for cover

Redfish



- Likes warmer water - 70°
- Eats crabs, shrimp and bait fish
- Tails in shallow water
- Frequents oyster bars, mangrove roots, shell mounds and channels
- Outgoing tides
- Down current of bars and structure

Redfish – What to use

- Medium rod, spinning reel
- 30lb. Braid test line
- 30 lb. fluorocarbon leader, 2' – 3' long
- Direct tie leader to line
- Well maintained drag system

Redfish – What to use

- Gold spoon (weedless)
- 1/4 - 1/2 oz. jig heads
- Colors – white, yellow, red, brown, and pink
- Shapes – shrimp, twister tails, bait fish & crab
- Tipped with small piece of shrimp

Redfish – What to use

- Popping cork and live bait (shrimp – fish)
- under mangroves and edge of oyster bars
- Rattle traps
- Top water lures, both popping and propellers

Redfish – Where

- Tailing on the flats - Bottom Feeder
- Oyster bars & shell bars
- Mangrove roots with shade & oysters
- Near shore reefs and inlets
- Use current to bring out food

Redfish

- Firm hook set
- Strong run (distance runner)
- Solid strike
- Do not jump
- They will fight till the end

REDFISH XV - Team Event

- Fish one 6 Hr day Capt Choice(28/29)
- Odds of winning over 50%
- Redfish count twice / Prize doubled
- Catch – Count - Release
- Only photo potential Biggest Fish
- Team Hat and MSC Buff for all
- Sign up now still time to get into action