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Andino Travel

We are excited to present a selection of our top-ten, hand-picked fly-fishing destinations. While you leaf through the pages, let yourself be carried away and inspired by the images of our stunning fishing locations, from Arctic rivers to tropical flats. For more inspiration and information, visit our website www.andino.ch or give us a call.



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Before you actually book your dream adventure trip we expect you would like to know more about our fly-fishing destinations. We will listen carefully to your wishes and needs and find the right trip for you. You may need more details about the species that can be targeted, or the necessary equipment for a successful trip. Or you may want to know more about the daily schedule, the experience of the guides, or simply find out more about the standard of accommodation.

All your questions will be answered by people who know first-hand about the destinations. We have travelled to these awe-inspiring places, we have fished in the beautiful waters, and we would love to share our experiences with you.

Our passionate and professional travel experts are here to organise every detail of your trip, which will be booked door to door including flights, hotel stop-overs, transfers and extra luggage. You can count on our 50 years of experience to make sure you have a smooth journey and a trip of a lifetime.

Welcome to Andino Travel!
Best regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rolf Häuptli".

Rolf Häuptli, Managing Director

Hotel Kraljevac

Bosnia



Experience the most beautiful hotel in the region

New hotel

This recently completed hotel has exceptional style and charm. It has been fitted with modern furnishings, using natural wood and glass, and features comfortable modern furniture, fabricated by local craftsmen. The staff are helpful and friendly and are willing to go the extra mile for you. All the facilities a fly fisherman can expect are available, complete with drying room and fly shop. After a day of excellent fishing, you can enjoy a well-deserved beer on the terrace overlooking the turquoise waters of the Sana river. The restaurant offers international à la carte cuisine and fine red wines from the local vineyards.



- PACKING LIST ESSENTIALS**
- waders
 - wading boots
 - wading jacket
 - layering (waters are cold as well in summer)
 - rod 7.6-9ft 3-5 weight for grayling/trout
 - rod 9ft 9/10 weight for hucho
 - sinking lines for hucho
 - reel with good drag and 50m backing
 - polarized glasses with amber lens
 - bugstopper shirts



Wild fish

The gin-clear rivers have their source in the Karst mountains, in central Bosnia, and offer world-class fishing at a very reasonable price.

Whether you fish narrow streams, tributaries or even larger rivers, you will find an abundance of wild fish. Huge Grayling, beautiful Brown Trout, not to mention the famous majestic Danube Salmon (*Hucho hucho*) of Bosnia.

Your host and professional guide, Adomir-Ado Jeginovic, was born in the historic town of Kljuc and grew up on the banks of the crystal-clear river Sana. He has been casting fly rods since childhood and today, thanks to his vast knowledge and experience, Ado is the region's most renowned fly-fishing expert. His reputation as an experienced guide with a calm and friendly personality has spread far beyond the country's borders. Many fly fishermen return year after year to fish with Ado. Not many people know the rivers, the hidden pools and the perfect techniques better than he does. He and his growing team of guides will make sure that your fishing day is a great and unforgettable experience.

Camp Tjuonajokk

Sweden



Probably the best Grayling river in Europe!

Traditional fishing camp

This traditional fishing camp in northern Sweden can be reached only by helicopter. It lies directly on the Kaitum River, which is probably the best Grayling river in Europe!

Fishing in this stunning wilderness of rivers and rugged mountains - often capped with snow - offers the fly fisherman the perfect "two for one" package: great fishing and natural beauty. There are several great rapids, but also natural dams and various small lakes, that can be reached after only a short hike.

Fishing in the pure wilderness

How about Grayling fishing in Lapland? This might smack of exaggeration, but not according to the authors of Dream Waters of the World who inform us that, "The Kaitum River is one of the best Grayling waters in the world." That says it all!

Compared with what you find in central Europe, here you will land phenomenal sized specimens – in abundance. We guarantee the best fishing conditions for strong fighting Graylings that can bring up to two kilos on the scale. In addition, during the few warm summer months, you can even catch some good- sized Brown Trout.





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- waders
 - wading boots
 - wading jacket
 - layering
 - rod 9ft 4-6 weight for grayling/trout
 - rod 9ft 9/10 weight for pike
 - reel with good drag and 50m backing
 - polarized glasses with yellow lens

Pike and perch

And let's not forget the excellent pike fishing. In the Laeffa and Laeffasaiva lakes you find a lot of pike, as well as good-sized perch. The Tjuonajokk camp will position a boat on the best fishing lakes for you. A couple of casts with the streamer are always worth a try. The lakes can be reached after a good 30-minute hike.

Refurbished accommodation

The main house is situated on a slight elevation, overlooking the Kaitum river, and offers wonderful views of the surrounding mountains. At the stylishly decorated restaurant, you can enjoy a rich buffet breakfast and fine Nordic specialities in the evening, after fishing. The accommodation is simple and offers cabins with four beds or renovated houses with two beds. A newly built house next to the restaurant is ideally suited for groups of up to ten people. Communal hot showers and toilets are located in a separate building.

Varzina Trout Camp

Kola, Russia



Probably the best Brown Trout fishing in the world!

Trout and Atlantic Salmon

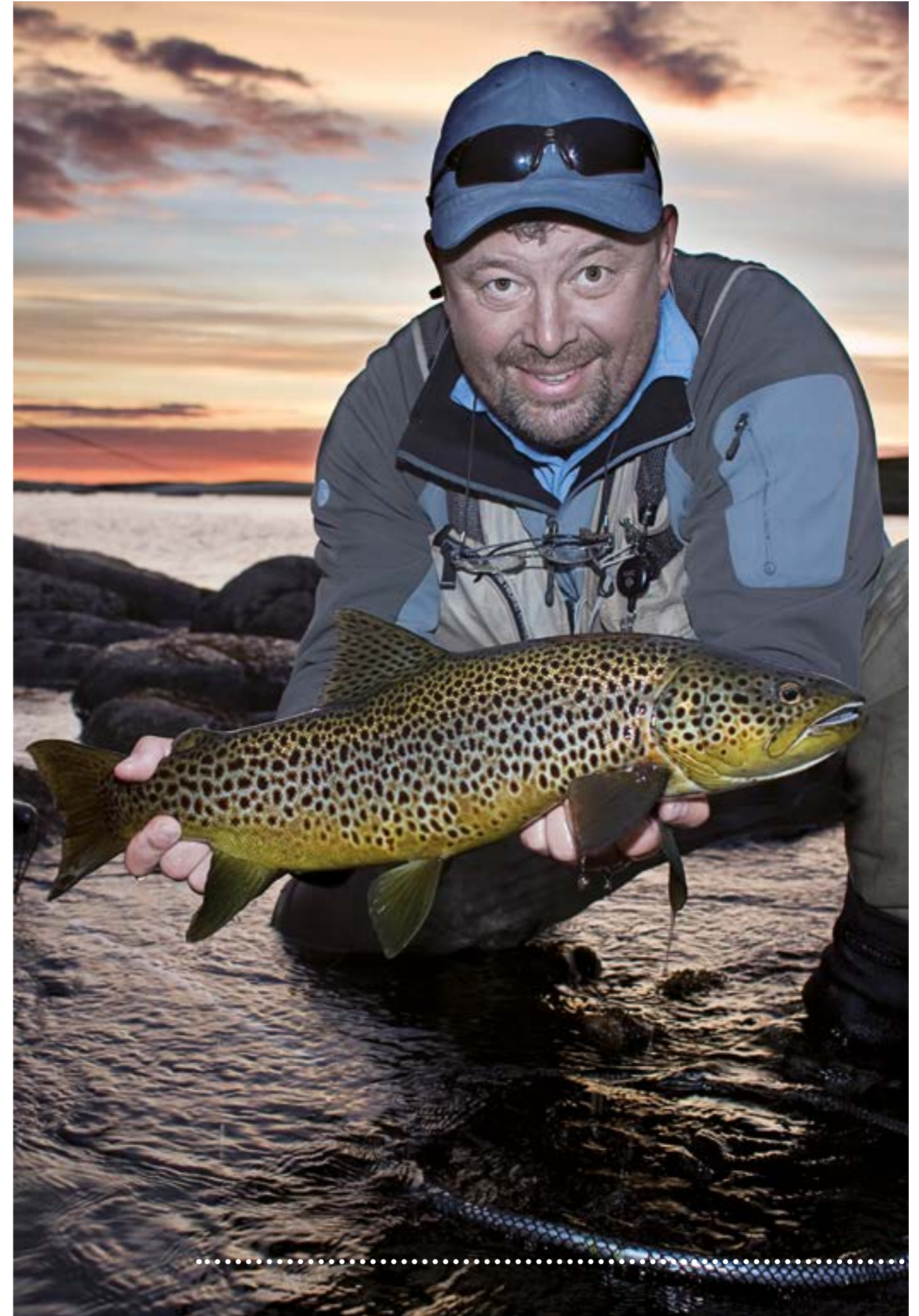
Russia's northern Kola Peninsula offers world-class fishing for Brown Trout and Atlantic Salmon. A impressive helicopter flight over the wild tundra takes you to the Varzina Trout Camp, located directly on the Varzina river. During the summer months, you can enjoy an amazing Brown Trout spectacle. The fun begins when the snow melts and the mosquitos hatch, thus creating clouds of insects. The Brown Trout rise, and the feeding frenzy kicks off. Most Brown Trout here are 50 to 60 cm long, but you can also find some 70 cm-specimens taking your fly.

The hotspots below and above the camp are all accessible on foot. One of the favourite pools, the so-called Aquarium, is about 5km from the camp, and it certainly deserves the name!

Tired of trout?

The Varzina is one of many rivers on the Kola Peninsula that hosts some exceptionally large Atlantic Salmon. The chance of landing a trophy Atlantic Salmon is pretty good, especially in the lower pools, while beautiful red-bellied char are a welcome by-catch. On windless days, clouds of mayflies flutter in the air, and stoneflies and caddis join in the dance.

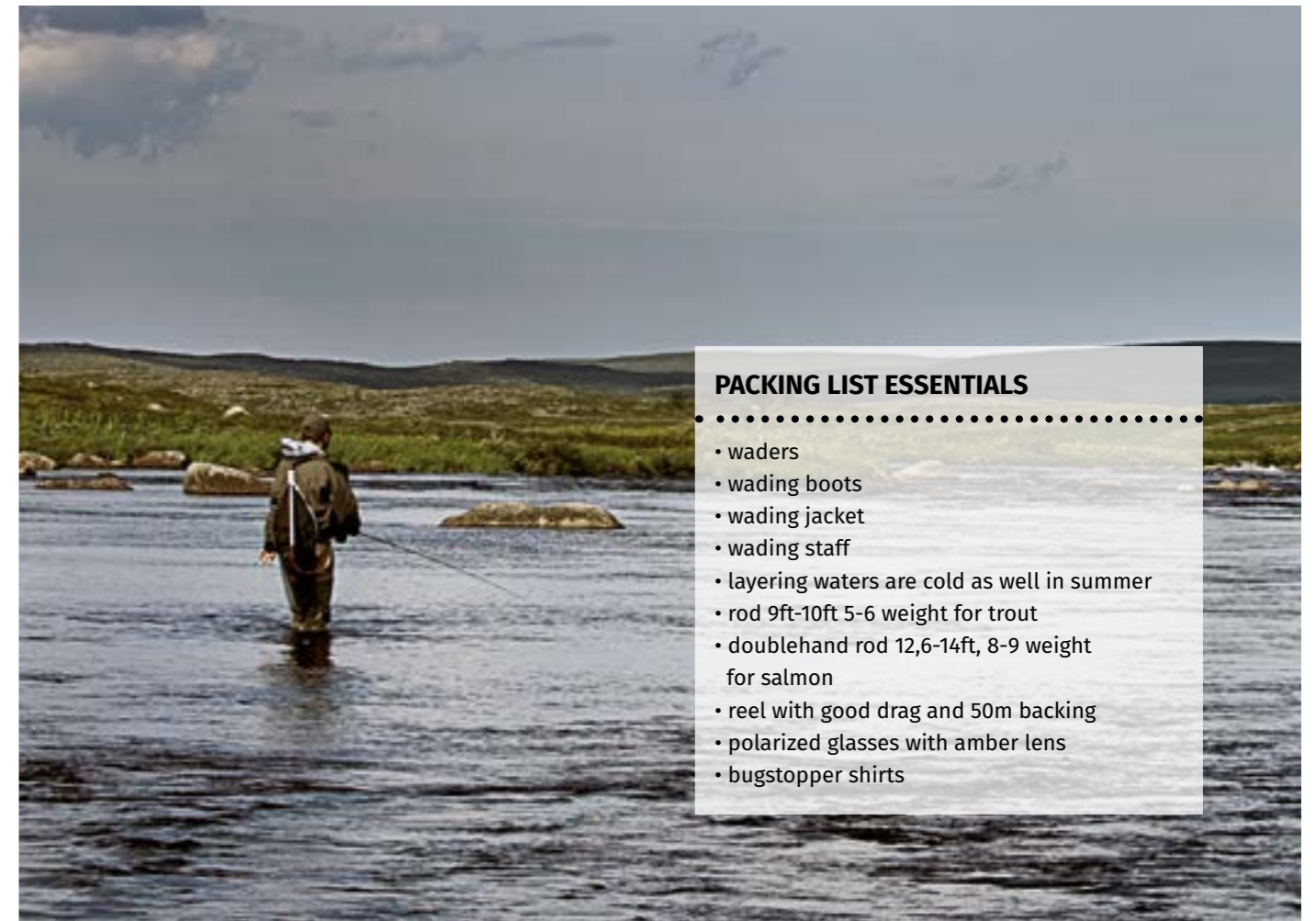
This is when trout and char rise greedily for insects - and when nymphs and streamers work very well. Or you can cast a dry fly on still waters, but then hang on tight! The action is exhilarating!



New accommodation

The newly built cabin, we like to call it Long House, with its awe-inspiring views over the river is no more than a rustic wooden cabin, yet it offers the perfect retreat after an adrenaline-packed day in the wilderness. The spacious twin rooms are furnished simply but equipped with wood-fired ovens for a cosy atmosphere on cold nights. For your enjoyment and relaxation, there is a sauna and plenty of hot water for showers.

In the morning, wake up to a wholesome buffet breakfast and in the evening enjoy the tasty culinary specialities. You will be surprised what the kitchen team can magically conjure up in this remote outback!



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- waders
 - wading boots
 - wading jacket
 - wading staff
 - layering waters are cold as well in summer
 - rod 9ft-10ft 5-6 weight for trout
 - doublehand rod 12,6-14ft, 8-9 weight for salmon
 - reel with good drag and 50m backing
 - polarized glasses with amber lens
 - bugstopper shirts



Yokanga Upper Camp

Kola, Russia



Yokanga – The giant salmon river!

Norwegian's Camp

The Norwegian's Camp (2006-2011) used to be set up for three weeks during the peak salmon run. This basic, no luxury, tented-camp destination along the upper regions of the Yokanga river had soon reached legendary status, with its offer of unparalleled and world-class trophy salmon at a comfortable price.

We don't like to give catch guarantees but the upper Yokanga is certainly a hot spot! Catches of 10 to 15 large Atlantic Salmon per person per week are not uncommon! When our Russian partner asked us if we would like to bring the camp back to life, we answered an enthusiastic yes.

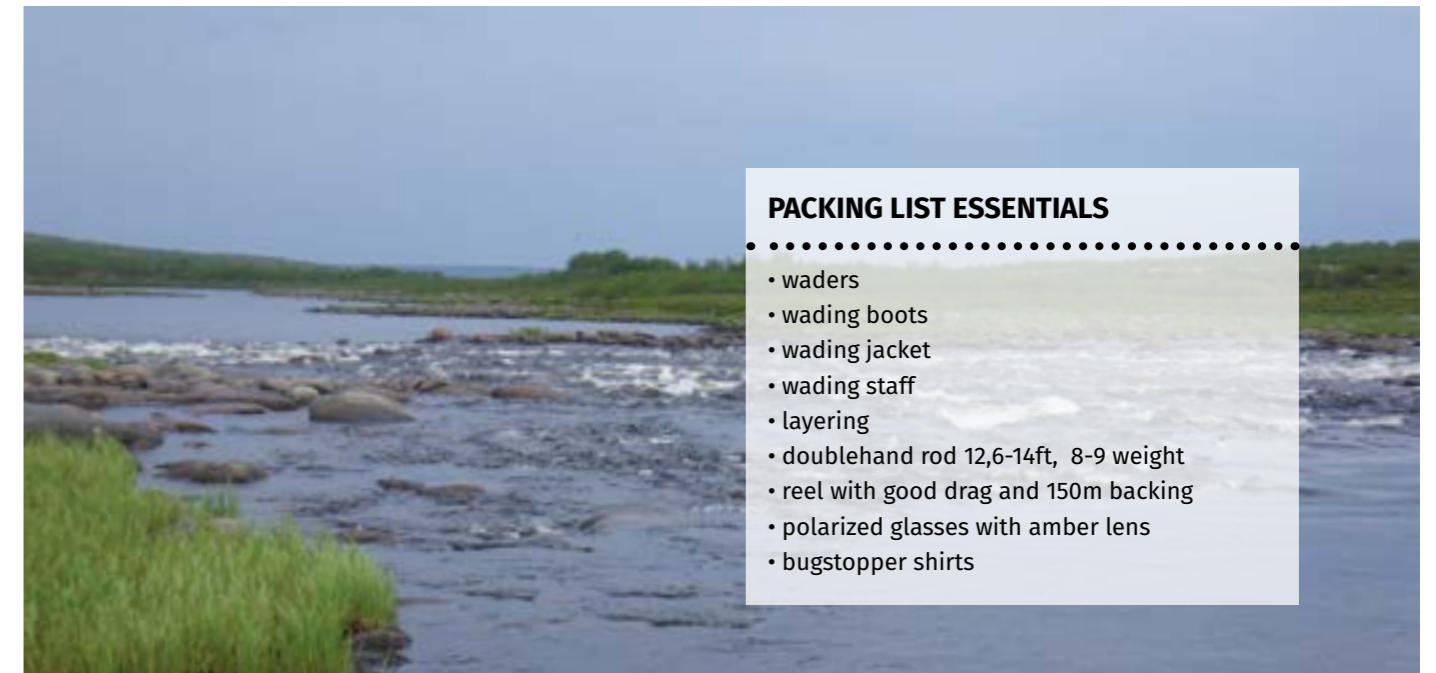
Our offer is no different from the Norwegian's: first-class salmon fishing at a comfortable price!

The salmon of a lifetime

The Kola Peninsula offers first-class Atlantic Salmon fly fishing! Commercial fishing is banned in the Barents Sea, along the coast of the peninsula, so you won't see a single fishing boat throwing out nets. And that is why the salmon can swim up the rivers in large numbers to spawn. If you are dreaming of catching a monster Atlantic Salmon, you should certainly go to the Yokanga. You will have a very good chance of catching the salmon of a lifetime. In the spring, very large Atlantic Salmon, often weighing well over 30 pounds, enter the Yokanga watershed. Once such a monster fish is hooked, an exciting fight ensues and it isn't unusual for the silver powerhouse to win that thrilling fight.

In the spring, the salmon weigh on average 15 to 20 pounds, but it is also common for large salmon of more than 30 pounds to rise into the river at that time of year. From about the end of June, the run of the largest salmon levels off, and is followed by large quantities of grilse. These young, seven-pound salmon bring new activity to the river. In the months of July and August, the Yokanga River offers an exciting combination of large salmon and grilse.

The camp is situated on a slight elevation overlooking the Yokanga River, only a two-minute walk from the bank. The spacious twin tents - you can stand up in them! - are pitched on a wooden platform. They all provide maximum comfort by way of hot showers, comfortable camping cots and wood-fired stoves. Breakfast and dinner are served in the dining tent, where in the evening the burning stove creates a congenial atmosphere for guests to enjoy and relax.



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- waders
 - wading boots
 - wading jacket
 - wading staff
 - layering
 - doublehand rod 12,6-14ft, 8-9 weight
 - reel with good drag and 150m backing
 - polarized glasses with amber lens
 - bugstopper shirts





Rustic lodges in a prize location!

Nature untamed

Are you looking for the true, authentic Alaska of pristine unspoiled wilderness? Then you will find your perfect site on the the Ayakulik River, on Kodiak Island. As you approach the flat stretch of beach in a small Cessna aircraft, you can spot the two small lodges from the air; they look like miniature huts in a vast, awe-inspiring hilly landscape, with the Ayakulik river meandering along the valley floor like a giant snake gliding into the sea. This untamed river offers a dream-come-true salmon fishing experience. What more could you want?

The rustic lodges are run with great heart and enthusiasm by Amy (south lodge) and Tom (north lodge) so that every nature-lover feels completely at home. Each lodge accommodates just six guests - and the food is excellent. The rooms have bunk beds, electricity, and hot shower facilities - and the outhouse-toilet offers a fabulous view of the Gulf of Alaska!

The area teems with wildlife. When fishing, you can expect a visit from a Kodiak brown bear also looking for the big catch. Luckily, the salmon are so plentiful that there is enough to go around. On hikes to the upper pools, you should look out for the other residents, such as bald eagles, red foxes or sitka deer.

Ayakulik River Lodges

Alaska, USA



World-class King Salmon fishing

The Ayakulik river yields one of the best King Salmon runs in Alaska, and you might even catch some chrome-bright Kings. These fish are incredibly strong; once hooked they give you a challenging fight, trying to escape back to the sea. An average King Salmon weighs about 25 pounds and the large Kings can bring up to 50 pounds on the scales. You can expect a good 5 strikes per day, but you also have a 50:50 chance of landing a tackle-bursting giant!

Sockeye and acrobatic Silvers

The sockeye and coho salmon fishing is nearly as thrilling as the King salmon fishing. In an average season, approximately 250,000 Sockeye Salmon flood the river and fill the pools. A little later in the season, the Silver Salmon fresh out of the surf will hit the fly aggressively, then leap and dive. From August through to late September, chasing Silvers is well rewarded: they weigh 13 pounds on average, but with every run there are also some 20-pound specimens willing to take a dry fly.

Apart from the Ayakulik lodges, there are no other lodges or camps on the lower stretches of the river. So, you will rarely meet another two-legged angler on the Ayakulik



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- waders
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- layering
- singlehand rod 9-10ft, 8-10 weight
- doublehand rod 12-14ft, 8-9 weight
- reel with good drag and 150m backing
- polarized glasses with amber lens
- bugstopper shirts



Villa Maria Lodge

Patagonia,
Argentina



Rio Grande - home to the legendary sea-run Brown Trout

Spine-tingling

The Rio Grande is home to world-class sea-trout fishing. From December to March the average weight of these returning trout is 10 to 12 pounds. It is not uncommon to catch fish weighing up to 20 pounds, and the giant specimens can even reach up to 30 pounds! Only fly fishing is permitted. The beats along the lower section of the Rio Grande are exclusively reserved for guests at the Villa.

The fishing is varied and extremely exciting. Deep stony streams, shallow pebble creeks and fine gravel stretches offer convenient access and easy wading. The prize pools are comfortably reached by the lodge's 4x4s. Your experienced guide will take you to the best fishing spots on the river. That is where the spine-tingling adventure begins. Once a big fish hits your fly and you feel the sudden tug - the sensation creeps up your spine.

These Browns will take classic salmon flies or even swank new fly patterns. A dry fly or a riffle hitch will also bring success. The powerful sea-trout will test your skill in the fight and an appetite for this drill becomes addictive.



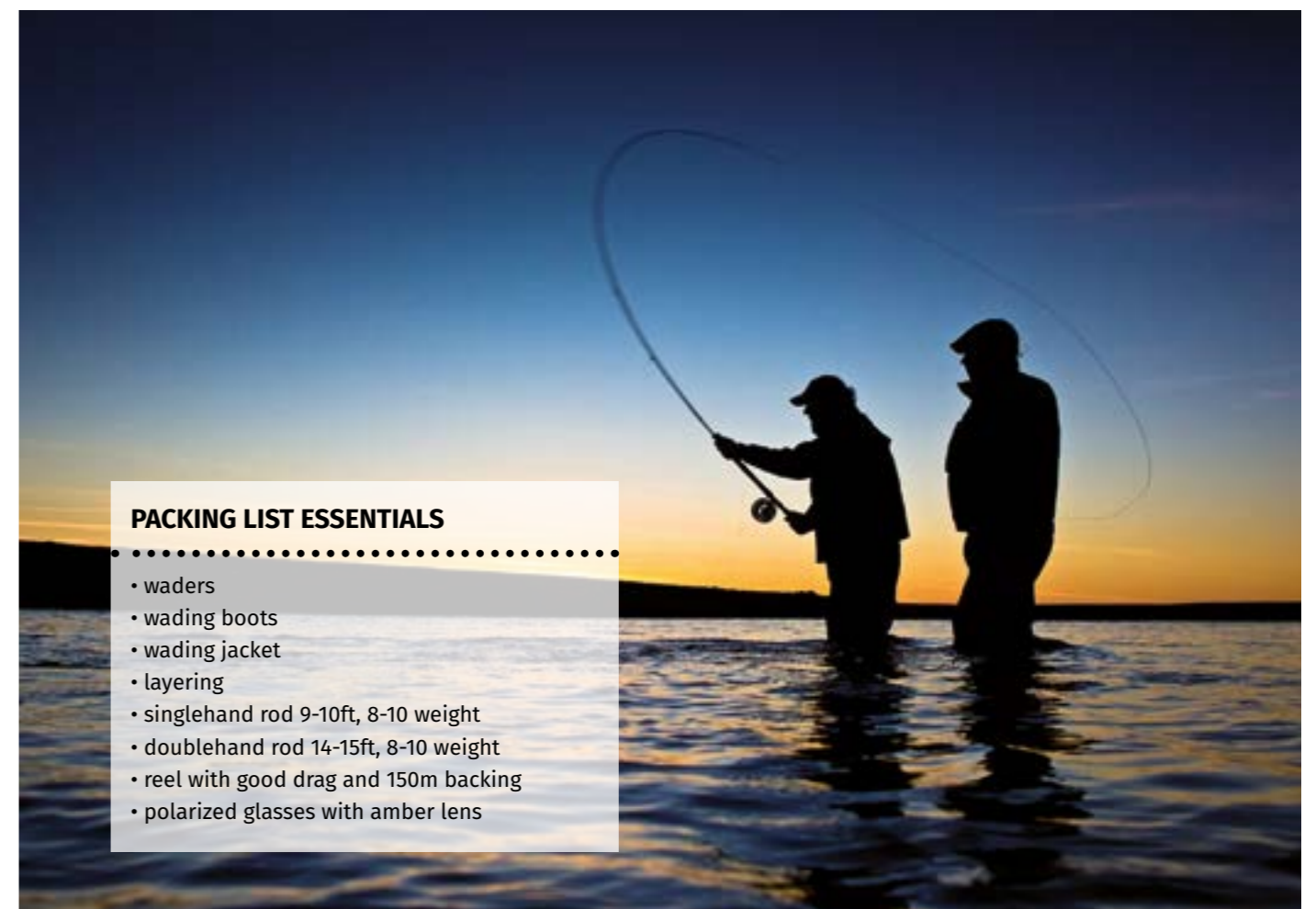
The Villa

The lodge is located on one of Patagonia's largest and oldest estancias. It has six comfortable, en suite double bedrooms, smart furnishings and gracious living areas. Culinary specialities are prepared by the dedicated chef and after a good day's fishing on the Grand River you can enjoy drinks from the well-stocked bar, in front of a roaring fire. A small, but well equipped fly shop offers a good selection of rods, high-quality reels, flies, fly lines and suitable clothing, especially designed to withstand the harsh elements. In addition, all guests have full use of the fly-tying table and the necessary materials.

On the river bank, a newly built day lodge is used to augment the daily fishing rotation. The three smartly furnished rooms, including two siesta rooms for midday naps, allows anglers to relax at midday and enjoy a hot meal. Sizzling Argentinian lamb or beef steaks prepared over hot coals are greatly enjoyed after an adrenaline-packed morning.

Thanks to a mix of the world's best guides, native and international, local knowledge and world-class techniques are combined. Guides rotate each day and that way you learn and enjoy more.

The lodge hosts only 6 anglers per week. Its position on a 20km stretch of best fly-fishing water coupled with the limited number of rods and an 80% guest return rate make booking this lodge tricky. However, Andino Reisen has exclusivity for some of the best weeks. So, make sure you ask us!



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- waders
- wading boots
- wading jacket
- layering
- singlehand rod 9-10ft, 8-10 weight
- doublehand rod 14-15ft, 8-10 weight
- reel with good drag and 150m backing
- polarized glasses with amber lens

Tsimane Lodges

Amazon basin, Bolivia

A total jungle experience

Giant Dorado

This is a jungle adventure into the wild. In the territory of the Indian populations, you will fish some exotic species including the Golden Dorado, the Pirapitinga, the Yatorana and different catfish species. The most beautiful catfish of the Amazon, the Surubi, is also resident here.

Tsimane offers three different camps on three different rivers: Agua Negra, Sécure and Pluma. Each camp gives you access to the main river and several tributaries. The individual lodges have a well-planned rotation which means you will never fish on the same beat.

The natives are proud partners of Tsimane and participate actively in the operation, mostly as guides, demonstrating their unique skills. You will be amazed and impressed by their wisdom and ancestral knowledge as they lead you through crystal clear mountain streams surrounded by virgin rainforest, in search of the Amazonian basin Dorado.

During your fishing day, you will encounter hundreds of Macaws, butterflies, different mammals, and birds that inhabit this pristine jungle forest. The formations of the streams vary enormously, from sandy gravel banks to volcanic rocks. For sight-fishing in the clear shallow waters, a silent approach and an accurate cast are important. The ideal line class is 8-9 and streamer fishing is recommended.

The Jungle Lodges

This corner of paradise can only be reached by plane. The state-of-the-art lodges have comfortable cabins or spacious safari tents, each with private bathrooms. The excellent international cuisine is combined with Bolivian specialties. One lodge accommodates 4 - 8 anglers.





PACKING LIST ESSENTIALS

- wet wading boots
- light rain jacket
- quick drying shirts and pants
- singlehand rod 9ft, 7-9 weight
- reel with good drag and 100m backing
- polarized glasses with amber lens
- solarflex clothing for sun protection

The Sécure River

The section of the Sécure River upstream from the Lodge is extremely beautiful with crystal clear waters. The river is wedged between rugged mountains giving the angler a uniquely close and exciting contact with the jungle. You will be transported upstream in hand-carved wooden dugout canoes (coambas) where you can find resident Dorados weighing over 30 pounds. You can also catch Pacus, Moturos, Surubis and Yatoranas, which provides an excellent opportunity for practising different fishing techniques.

The middle section of the Sécure River is shallow and open and the clear water gradually changes colour due to the sediments that are swept down from the high plateau. Logs and fallen trees nestled in the stone structure of the river provide perfect ambush points for large numbers of Dorado. The beats in this middle section are more accessible, featuring “flats” with sandy riverbanks and arms with ditches and deep pools. The Golden Dorados are undoubtedly king in this section of the river, while in the deeper pools very large Pacus can also be hooked.

The Agua Negra River

The upper stretches of the Agua Negra are among the jewels of the Tsimane territory. The river meanders through the valley with numerous sandy beaches, and its deep pools with good cover hold strong populations of Dorados and Yatoranas. The lower section of the river, with its clear and shallow waters, resembles a flood plain and offer perfect conditions for sight-casting Dorado. When you cast your fly rod into the ‘boiling’ water during a feeding frenzy, you will doubtless experience an adrenaline rush you will never forget!

The Chimoro Stream

The Chimoro is a small clear stream with a high population of Dorados (up to 15 pounds) as well as many Yatoranas. It is an excellent stream for using a light-weight rod with a light streamer or a dry fly. There is every chance you will experience the thrill of landing a 12-pound Dorado on a 5-weight rod!

The Pluma River

The Pluma is a moderate-sized crystal-clear freestone river, with an incredibly rich and beautiful topography. It runs parallel to the Mosetenes Mountain Range and is therefore slightly broader and more open than the other rivers of Tsimane. The wide banks of smooth gravel and rock make wading easy. In these lower stretches, the super-aggressive, carnivorous Dorado is dominant.

Further upstream, the river gets steeper and more rugged. It is of boulders, shallow runs and riffles, as well as defined deep pools, all with gin-clear water and home to large numbers of resident Dorados. These powerful fish are caught using surface flies such as Titanic Sliders, poppers, divers or mice imitations. You might even manage a grand slam or even a super grand slam, landing all four Tsimane species: Dorado, Pirapitinga, Yatorana and Surubí.

Tarpon Caye Lodge

Belize



“Wake up to the best saltwater fishing in Belize”

The Permit capital of the world

The Placencia Peninsula presents a microcosm of the best Belize has to offer. Miles of golden beaches look out onto scores of enchanting cays, the barrier reef and beyond that onto the pristine atolls. It's an ideal base for amazing diving and snorkelling, as well as world class fly fishing!

Tarpon Caye is a small island right in the middle of the famed Victoria Channel, only 6 miles west of the second longest barrier reef in the world. The island is surrounded by hundreds of square miles of exquisite fishing grounds, referred to as “the Permit capital of the world”. Within seconds you are in Tarpon waters, only a short five-minute boat ride takes you to the Permit flats and 15 minutes later you are in Bonefish territory. “Wake up to the best saltwater fishing in Belize” is the lodge's tagline. You can do a grand slam of the hot three, Tarpon, Permit and Bonefish the same day.

Fish by the tide and not by the clock

The months of March to August are best for Tarpon, Permit and Bonefish. The Tarpons migrate south through the Victoria Channel where they feed on the resident minnows. When a large Tarpon strikes, you'll have to brace yourself for a sudden violent reaction and an acrobatic display of power, as it sky-rocket itself into the air!

Permit are best caught in the first or last quarter moon which gives you two rising tides in a day and maximizes your chances of success. Spotting and stalking a school of Permit, their tails up in the air, gets your heart racing. These fish have excellent eyesight and a great sense of smell, which makes it even more of a challenge to get one on the line. They are known to be ultra-suspicious, spooky and moody, which makes them one of the most difficult fish to catch.

Bonefish are commonly targeted by fly fishermen and are a thrill to catch. In the shallows these sleek and slender creatures can accelerate and reach top speed in no time. It's like hunting: you slowly stalk them either on foot or from the deck of a skiff to get within casting range.

The Lodge

Tarpon Caye Lodge is located in a small mangrove lagoon. The cabanas are directly over the water: you can basically jump from your private deck into the Caribbean Sea. The small, but lovely cabins offer simple yet perfect accommodation. Snorkellers will also find a wealth of marine life, while guests wishing to go off on their own can explore the flats and keys in one of the lodge's kayaks.

The Restaurant serves a tasty selection of fish, seafood, meat dishes, salads and fresh tropical fruit. While you are out fishing, the staff can often be seen catching fresh snapper, conch and lobster for your dinner. In the Iguana Rock Bar right on the beach, you can enjoy tropical Caribbean cocktails – or maybe you prefer an ice-cold beer?



PACKING LIST ESSENTIALS

- flats boots with wet wading sock
- light rain jacket
- rod 9ft, 8/10 and 12 weight
- reel with good drag and 150-200m backing
- polarized glasses with blue lens
- solarflex clothing for sun protection





Dalton Trail Lodge

Yukon, Kanada



Pristine wilderness and world-class fishing adventures

Follow the call of the wild

The Dalton Trail Lodge is located on the beautiful Dezadeasch lake in south-west Yukon, bordering the Kluane National Park. Perfectly situated, it gives you access to more than 20 different lakes and rivers teeming with numerous species of fish. Depending on the season, you can catch beautiful Namaycush, huge pike, Grayling, Rainbow Trout, Kokanee (landlocked salmon), Dolly Varden, and King, Coho and Sockeye Salmon. To reach these idyllic fishing grounds you can either hike, drive, take a boat or even ride a quad-bike; all these different options make your whole trip more exciting and adventurous. The lodge also offers guided trips into the Kluane National Park as well as to many rarely fished waters, some of which are only accessible by jet boat or float plane.

Even though the lodge is nestled in the middle of the wilderness, it offers a high level of comfort and has been welcoming guests from all around the world since 1987. Your Swiss hosts and owners, Trix and Hardy Ruf, have years of experience and they are no doubt the specialists of this territory up North. Their open and friendly manner will make you feel at home as soon as you arrive! The whole lodge is built of cedar wood, which gives it a cosy, homely atmosphere. The cuisine is excellent, and its reputation has spread far beyond the borders of the territory. In the bar, hair-raising angler stories have provided entertainment for many a guest. If you seek evening activities, there's a pool table and table-top soccer in the games room.



Home lake

Motor boats are included in our package and are at the disposal of guests on the 16-kilometer-long home lake (2 guests per boat). During the summer months the days are long; you can be on the lake at sunrise and fish until late evening. The lake is right on your doorstep and offers excellent opportunities for Northern Pike, Arctic Grayling and Namaycush. The crystal-clear blue Kathleen River offers world-class fishing for Arctic Grayling, Rainbow Trout, Kokanee and lake trout. A jet-boat trip takes you to the pristine, clear waters that flow from the picturesque Kathleen Lake. This is every fly-fisherman's dream river. You can also admire the bald eagles, black bears and moose along the way.

Log cabin nostalgia

This three-day fishing adventure in the wilderness - fishing fever, hut romance, barbecues and T-bone steaks - promises a combination of pure nature and stressless enjoyment. The Lodge has several log cabins on some of the most beautiful lakes far away from civilization. After a successful day's fishing, what could be better than sitting around a warm campfire, under the stars, enjoying your own grilled fish?



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- waders
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 - wading jacket
 - layering
 - singlehand rod 9-10ft, 8-10 weight
 - singlehand rod 9ft, 5-6 weight for grayling and rainbows
 - reel with good drag and 150m backing
 - polarized glasses with amber lens

Fly out to the best fishing grounds!

An oasis in the wilderness

Far from any road network and from any other lodges, the Moosehorn lodge can only be reached by float-plane. It is like an oasis for those who are looking for sophisticated fishing in a remote wilderness. On top of that, it offers a unique fishing experience: the lodge float-planes fly you out every day to the best salmon rivers in the area. You can actually see these amazing salmon runs from the air as you approach the landing spots. Every evening you are briefed on the next day's schedule and discuss your target fishing grounds. Not only will you encounter the five Pacific Salmon species, but you will also find beautiful Rainbow Trout, Arctic Char, Grayling and large pike.

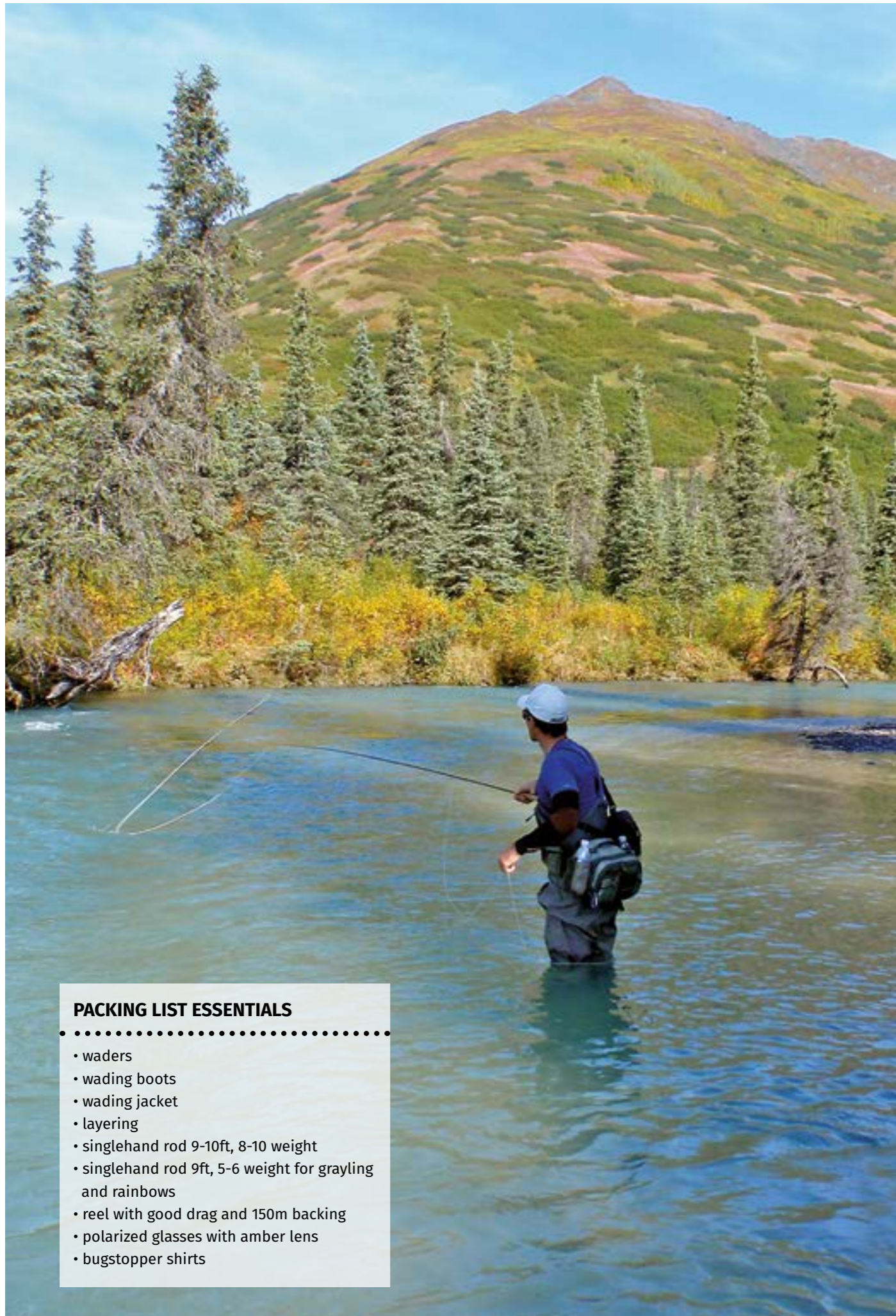
Homely lodge

Your hosts are the Swiss/Australian couple, Erich and Lynne Näpflin. Erich is a passionate sports fisherman and an excellent guide, as well as being a first-class pilot. He personally flies and guides his guests to the best salmon rivers and you will certainly appreciate and enjoy his calm and genteel manner. Lynne takes care of the guests' well-being at the lodge. You will love her delicious home-cooking. If you are up early, you can join Lynne in her kitchen for a morning chat and freshly brewed coffee. Although the accommodation is simple, no-frills, it is genuinely homely and perfect for an uncomplicated fishing trip. The limited number of guests (max. 12) guarantees individual attention at the lodge, as well as when you're out fishing during the day. Weather permitting, the grilled shoreline lunches are a real bonus.

Moosehorn Lodge

Alaska, USA





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- singlehand rod 9ft, 5-6 weight for grayling and rainbows
- reel with good drag and 150m backing
- polarized glasses with amber lens
- bugstopper shirts

Love of nature

Outdoor enthusiasts quickly feel comfortable in the Moosehorn Lodge. The tranquil scenery is ideal for charging your batteries and the sheer expanse of the surrounding wilderness is a huge playground for adventure seekers. Whether you relax with a book in front of the wood fire, go in search of mushrooms, pan for the odd gold nugget, or get an adrenaline rush while bear watching, this unspoiled spot on the planet will enthrall the nature-lover in you.

King and Sockeye Salmon season

From about mid-June to approximately the first week in July you can fish for large Kings (Chinook Salmon) as well as Sockeye Salmon. Both species the same day!

Sockeye and Coho salmon season

From the third week in July to the beginning of September it is very likely you will be able to catch Sockeye and Coho Salmon from several different rivers during the same week.

Rainbow Trout season

In September, Rainbow Trout fishing is superb. It is not uncommon to catch between 30 and 50 trout in one day, all in the 50 - 75 cm range. Fishing is done with a class 6 fly-rod. All trout are caught on a "catch and release" basis.



We recommend for freshwater

Whether you are a seasoned guide or taking your first fly fishing lessons, fishing in home waters or overseas, we make sure you have the right kit.

Simms G3 Boot



- durable
- comfortable
- good heel support
- cleat option with hardbite star cleats

Simms Wading staff

- easy to use and foldable
- lightweight
- adjustable in length



Simms G3 Wader

- 3 and 4 layer Gore-Tex construction
- lightweight
- highly breathable
- comfortable front and back leg seam construction



Waterworks Lamson Force reel



- super lightweight
- smooth drag system
- water and sand proof
- hardalox surface for more scratch resistance
- 100% made in the US

G3 Guide Tactical Jacket

- 9 integrated pockets
- perfect for using sling and hip packs
- waterproof and breathable
- original Gore-Tex membrane
- watertight shingle cuff



Scientific Angler Amplitude smooth dynamic

- line developed by FFE
- ideal for overhead and underhand casting
- loads rods quick
- works well with dries and Nymphs
- ideal for cold to mid temperatures



Scott Flex freshwater rod

- nice progressive action
- good for precise and delicate casts
- very gentle all-purpose rod
- 100% Handmade in the US



Guides Choice Matte Black Polar Bronze Mirror

- ideal sun protection in most conditions
- chromapop lens
- great polarization
- great contrasts



Simms Freestone Zip Wader

- zip construction for easy entry
- 4 layer toray membrane
- comfortable



Simms Exstream Layering

- lightweight
- super comfortable to wear
- dries quick
- hood and neck gaiter integrated in shirt



Simms Flyweight Boot

- super light
- comfortable
- Vibram sole
- cleat option with hardbite star cleats



Scott Radian freshwater rod

- fast rod with lots of feeling
- enough reserve power for big fish
- casts well in the wind
- lightweight and well balanced in the hand
- 100% Handmade in the US



Scientific Anglers Mastery ART

- good all-purpose fly line for cold to mid temperatures
- casts good with all rods
- loads rods quick
- works well with dries and Nymphs
- casts good in the wind



Simms Classic Guide Jacket

- 2 top-load storage pockets with integrated retractors
- waterproof and breathable
- original Gore-Tex membrane
- watertight shingle cuff



Waterworks Lamson Guru reel

- smooth drag system
- water and sand proof
- large arbor
- 100% made in the US



We recommend for saltwater

Fishing in saltwater is a whole different ball-game and the right equipment and clothing is essential - whether in tropical flats, or off the coast in icy waters.

Scientific Angler Amplitude Grand Slam

- structured fly line for more performance
- cast big distance
- good profile for most conditions
- ideal for warm water



Simms Superlight Zip Off Pant

- Allows to fish in shorts or pants
- dries quick
- anti-odor
- good sun protection UPF 30



Waterworks Lamson Cobalt Reel

- absolutely great reel with a conical drag system.
- waterproof 30 m
- progressive and strong drag manages all saltwater species
- salt proof and scratch resistant Micralox surface
- 100% made in the US



Simms Waypoints Jacket

- super lightweight
- breathable and waterproof
- taped seams
- anti line catch cuff



Flat Sneaker

- durable for saltwater flats
- comfortable



Scott Meridian Rod

- super powerful and fast action
- enough reserve power for big fish
- casts well in the wind
- lightweight and well balanced in the hand
- 100% Handmade in the US



Scientific Anglers Mastery Saltwater

- good all-purpose fly line for warm temperatures
- casts good with all rods
- smooth presentation on delicate situations
- casts good in the wind



Scott Tidal Rod

- nice progressive action
- good for precise and delicate casts
- nice action for fighting fish
- 100% Handmade in the US



Simms Solarflex shirts and hoodies

- perfect sun protection with UPF 50
- super comfortable to wear
- dries quick



Waterworks Lamson Speedster Reel

- large diameter and large arbor reel
- smooth drag system
- water and sand proof
- hardalox surface for more scratch resistance
- 100% made in the US



Touchstone Matte Black Polar Blue Mirror

- ideal sun protection in bright lights
- chromapop lens
- great polarization
- great contrasts





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