



WHAT'S BITING & WHEN.

GULF FISHING

SPECIES	BEST	BAIT
Mackerel	May - Sept.	Hootie, Shrimp
Ling (Cobia)	April, May, Sept. & Oct.	Ribbon Fish, Shrimp, Perch
Pompano	April - Oct.	Shrimp, Lure
Kingfish	May - Sept.	Ribbon Fish, Cigar Minnow, Lure
Dolphin	July - Oct.	Varied
Sailfish	July - Sept.	Mullet, Lure, Ballyhoo
Marlin	July - Sept.	Skipjack, Mackerel, Lure
Barracuda	June - Aug.	Varied
Red Snapper	April - Oct.	Whole/Cut Fish, Squid
Scamp	June - Sept.	Whole/Cut Fish, Squid
Grouper	Dec. - April	Whole/Cut Fish, Squid
Amberjack	May - Aug.	Whole/Cut Fish, Squid

BAY FISHING

Redfish	All Year	Shrimp, Mullet, Lure
Speckled Trout	All Year	Shrimp, Perch, Lure
Drum	All Year	Shrimp, Crab
Flounder	All year No Giggling in Nov.	Shrimp, Lure, Finger Mullet (Gig)

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

With over 50 fishing tournaments annually, anglers of all ages will find their own paradise in Port A. The largest fishing tournament on the Texas Gulf Coast, the Deep Sea Roundup, is a weekend of family fun for those that love to fish, young and old. Other competitions are specific to women, children and the disabled. A sampling of those that have been around for many years include:

Anglers on Wheels *Deep Sea Roundup*
CCA Take-A-Kid Fishing *Texas Legends Billfish*
Powderpuff (Women only) *Outboard Fishing*
Texas Women Angler's *Hope Devlin Kid's*

For More Info Visit www.portaransas.org/play/fishing

TIPS & INFORMATION

Get the most out of your fishing trip and check out these web sites for useful information:

www.utmsi.utexas.edu

For monthly tide predictions and environmental data including air/sea temperature, salinity, wind speed and direction, barometric pressure and humidity.

www.tpwd.state.tx.us

For fishing license & regulations information, weekly fishing report, fish identification, and more.

www.portaransas.org

For everything you ever wanted to know about fishing in Port Aransas. Also a great way to plan where to stay and what to do between your angling adventures.

www.portasouthjetty.com

Port Aransas weekly newspaper posts fishing reports, weather forecast, tide charts and more.

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FISH & CHARTERS





CASTING FOR A HOT SPOT?

Casual and serious anglers alike will find their favorites in the salt waters surrounding Port Aransas and Mustang Island.

Off Shore & Deep Seas

If you're looking for the catch of the year, look no further than the deep offshore waters of Port Aransas. Experience the Gulf of Mexico's ultimate blue water challenge. Take your own or take your pick of well-equipped charter or head boats at area docks and marinas. Fishing trips that last a few hours to all night long depart sunrise to sunset every day.

Wade or Kayak our Bays & Flats

Fishing Port Aransas bays and flats will definitely fill your stringer. Paddle to inlets that only kayakers can access and drop your line. Want to give fly fishing a try? Experienced guides maneuver through passes and cuts to bountiful fishing holes, offering priceless fly tying and casting tips along the way.

Surf & Shores

Port Aransas beaches are long on surf fishing. Eighteen miles long to be exact. You can actively reel for fast paced action or make a high soaring cast, sit back, and listen for the whir of your line. But don't get too comfortable, "fish-on" is just moments away in Port Aransas.



Piers & Jetties

If it's pier fishing you've come for, day or night, there are plenty of choices. The Horace Caldwell pier extends hundreds of feet into the Gulf of Mexico giving anglers the chance to reel in a deep-water catch. The city's Ancel Brundrett, Charlie's Pasture or J.P. Luby piers may be smaller, but beneath the slight chop of the Corpus Christi Ship Channel, scores of hungry fish are ready for the takin'. Waiting for the sun to go down to make that first cast or determined to venture out after midnight? Go ahead! All Port Aransas' piers are well lit and designed for prime fishing, 24-hours a day.

The Port Aransas jetties and bulkhead line the sides of the ship channel extending into the Gulf. Casting from their large, rocky edge bring many a bite from fish cruising below in these well-traveled waters. As ships pass, watch for dolphins frolicking in their wake.



Charters & Excursions

For serious fishing business or casual cruising pleasure, charter a private boat. Go aboard a sailing excursion and view dolphin frolicking and various birds soaring along the shores of Mustang Island, or charter a fishing excursion to throttle up and head offshore to secret fishing spots. Just contact one of the businesses below and let them know what you have in mind.

Fishing Docks & Marinas

Woody's Sports Center

136 W. Cotter.....361-749-5252
www.woodysonline.com

Port Aransas Boatmen's Association

J.C. Barr Blvd..... 361-749-6339

Municipal Docks

City Harbor.....361-749-5429
www.cityofportaransas.org/harbor_marina.cfm

Island Moorings Marina

3500 Island Moorings Pkwy.....361-749-4100
www.islandmoorings.net.....888-749-9030

Fisherman's Wharf

900 N. Tarpon.....361-749-5448
www.wharfcatt.com.....800-605-5448

Dolphin Dock, Inc.

300 W. Cotter.....361-749-4188
www.dolphindock.com.....800-393-3474

Deep Sea Headquarters

440 W. Cotter361-749-5597
www.deepseaheadquarters.com800-705-3474

For a complete list of private guides/charters contact the Chamber at 800-45-COAST or visit www.portaransas.org

**Port Aransas
Private Charter &
Fishing Guides**

Badfish Sportfishing
Offshore fishing
409-621-6593

Beacon Charter Service
Bay Fishing
361-739-7684

Bill Busters Sportfishing
Bay - Offshore Fishing
361-749-5223

Coastal Bend Kayak
Certified Kayak Instruction – Guided Fishing
361-557-7003

Ed's Guide Service
Bay & Flats Fishing
361-749-5682 or 866-946-0441

El Gato Charters
Bay & Surf Fishing - Hunting
361-749-5554 or 361-749-5448

Fillabite Guide Service
Bay Fishing
361-215-2332

GILLS Fly & Light Tackle Charters, LLC
Fly & Spin Guide
512-626-6642

Gulf Coast Sports Fishing
Offshore Day & Overnight, Dolphin Watching
361-332-6268

HotSpot Fishing Charters, Inc.
Offshore Fishing
512-748-4857

Jackie Romeyn FishTales Guide Service
Bay & Offshore Fishing – Nature Tours
361-749-9061

Jaw Jackers
Bay & Offshore Fishing
361-777-5511

Just 1 More Outfitter
Bay - Sunset Tours
361-701-7711

Kenjo Fly Fishing Charters
Fly fish saltwater flats of Port Aransas with a
dedicated guide targeting redfish & trout.
361-500-2552

Pirates of the Bay Charters
Bay – Offshore Fishing
361-523-9452

Port “A” Bay Charters
Bay Fishing, Birding, Dolphin Watching
361-205-7707

Port Aransas Boatmen, Inc.
Bay & Offshore Fishing
361-749-6339

Private Deep Sea Charters
Offshore Fishing - Flounder Guide
361-749-7311

Reel McCoy Guide Service
Bay & Flats Fishing
888-948-7688

Right Riggers
Deep Sea Fishing
361-944-5233

Charters & Excursions

Aurora Reyes
Sunset cruises on vintage motor yacht. Fully
catered for your special occasion
361-533-0990

Dolphin Adventures – Scarlet Lady
Dolphin Watching
361-749-5597

Fennessey Ranch
Bird Watching Trips
361-529-6600

Handsome Sailor Yacht Charters
Sailing-Snorkeling-Shelling-Dolphin Watching
361-790-6668 or 361-758-1377

Island Queen
Fishing–Sightseeing-Nature Tours
361-749-6969 or 800-211-9227

Jetty Boat
St. Jo Island–Beachcombing–Fishing-Surfing
361-749-5448

Kohootz Etc.
Dolphin Encounters
361-779-3188 or 866-KOHOOTZ

Red Dragon Pirate Cruises
Interactive cruise around our bays
361-749-2469

Rockport Birding & Kayak Adventures
Coastal birding tours, sunset cruises, dolphin
watches.
877-892-4737

Scat Cat
Climate Controlled Catamaran- 8, 9, 12 Hr
Tours
361-749-5760 or 1-800-605-5448

Tiki Tours
Floating byob tiki bar boat, dolphin watching,
beach combing, cruising, swimming
361-429-9359

Wharf Cat
5, 8, 9 Hr Deep Sea Trips-Bird & Boat Tours
361-749-5448



Boat Sales & Boat Repair & Equipment

Fox Yacht Sales
We specialize in sport fishing boats & motor
yachts
361-749-4870

Island Boat Works
Boat & motor repair
361-749-6107

Mrs. Woody Jr's, Inc.
Boat & motor repair
361-749-4290

Fishing Tackle

Island Tackle
Pole rentals, tackle & supplies
361-749-1744

Keepers at Caldwell Pier
Great food, all your fishing, camping & beach
needs. Located on the 1300 ft. lighted pier.
361-749-5333

Towing & Marine Related Services

Lydia Ann Channel Fleet
One of the largest fleets in Texas
361-992-5223

**TowboatUS Port Aransas / Bluefin Marine
Services**
Towing & marine related services
361-813-1273

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