

Top 3 Fishing Holes to Reel in the Perfect Catch in Southeast Ohio

CAMBRIDGE, OHIO (June 8, 2016)
– Southeast Ohio’s untamed, adventurous outdoors offer up some of the best kept secrets when it comes to great fishing holes. Guernsey County’s plethora of woodlands, lakes, and streams make it the ideal spot to collect trophy stories that will last a lifetime with your family or friends.



Cast your reel in one of Ohio’s largest inland lakes, **Seneca Lake**. Consisting of 3,550 acres of water, Seneca Lake is best known for channel catfish, flathead catfish, bullheads, white bass, striped bass, largemouth bass, crappie, bluegill, yellow perch and walleye. Fishing from shoreline or boat is permitted, though there is a 399-horsepower limit for boat motors on the lake. Boats are available for rental at Seneca Marina. www.senecamarinaohio.org

Fishing from a belly boat is an ideal way to access hundreds of remote lakes with monster bass, crappie, and bluegill. The Ohio Belly Boat Fishing Guide Service offers complete packages including a guide and equipment. Half day, full day and multi day guided treks are available. 740-777-2579

As Ohio's largest state park, **Salt Fork** offers a 3,000 acre lake for extensive fishing. It isn't hard to find the perfect spot to spend the day casting your line in the water. Pontoon and fishing boats are available for rental from Sugartree Marina located within the park. An expansive lodge sits near the lake after a long day. parks.ohiodnr.gov/saltfork

If you're a beginning, or just looking for inside tricks of the trade, Muskie Tutor Guide Service has 27 years of experience catching trophy Ohio Muskie on beautiful Salt Fork Lake. The guide service provides all tackle and baits. www.ohiomuskiefishing.com

Another great fishing opportunity is through a membership at **the Wilds**, an innovative wildlife conservation center. In partnership with **Mad River Outfitters**, a fly-fishing shop and guide service, the Wilds offers an exclusive fly-fishing experience on some of the 150 lakes and ponds teeming with huge bass, bluegill and catfish. The Wilds sits on 14 square miles of reclaimed mine land that is now home to rare and endangered species from Asia, Africa, and North America. Visitors may also enjoy a Safari Transport tour through the open-range animal areas, horseback riding, and ziplining.

After a day on the water, stop by the **Senecaville Fish Hatchery** (this is a great stop for kids). The current fish production consists of walleye, saugeye, hybrid striped bass, and channel catfish. Approximately 10-15 million fish are produced here annually. The hatchery is open to visitors from 8am-3pm Monday – Friday.

For more Cambridge/Guernsey County event information, call the VCB office at 800-933-5480 or log on to VisitGuernseyCounty.com.

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