



The Hunt: The Best Fishing Hotels In America



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There is nothing quite like **waking up early in the morning to go on a fishing trip**. But when you think of the general hassle of packing up all your gear and getting the trip organized, you may just want to stay home. Don't! Pack the basics and head to one of these American resorts who will do all the dirty work and show you the ropes. **We've hunted down the best fishing hotels in America.**

Jackson Hole, Wyoming

Four Seasons Jackson Hole



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Jackson Hole, WY could be called the **Mecca for fly fisherman** and the [Four Seasons Jackson Hole](#) puts out all the stops for fishing lovers who come visit. Boasting an **in-house director of fly fishing**, they offer lessons for anyone beginner to advanced. Take a trip out in one their **handcrafted wood boat** and cast for Wild Trout. They offer custom packages and full-day trips- even with gourmet packed picnic lunches served riverside and in the company of the majestic wildlife and the very grand Teton mountains.

What You'll Take Home: Cutthroat Trout, Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout

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Kennebunkport, Maine

Nonantum Resort



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All aboard matey! The [Nonantum Resort](#) in Kennebunkport, ME overlooks the beautiful Atlantic Ocean and what better way to take advantage of the sea's plentiful bounties than **deep sea fishing**? Step aboard the Libreti Rose II, Captained by Bruce Herbet who has over 40 years of experience in these waters. Inshore you'll be able to **catch everything from Pollock to Mackerel** while offshore get ready for delights like **Cod and Blue Fin Tuna**. No experience is required and all bait and tackle are provided.

What You'll Take Home: Strippers, Blue Fish, Mackerel, Pollock, Cod, Haddock, Shark, Blue Fin Tuna

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Islamodora, Florida

Cheeca Lodge



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Islamodora rightfully calls itself the “**sport fishing capital of the world**”, so naturally fisherman flock to the [Cheeca Lodge](#), one of the best fishing resorts in the country, to try their hand at reeling in some big boys, like both the **Sailfish and Swordfish that flourish off the coast of the island**. Guests can charter boats with captains to show them all the **best secret spots** or store their own vessel at a nearby dock. The Lodge offers fishing packages as well as a **private 525-foot fishing pier** where you can cast off if you’re looking for something a little more low-key.

What You’ll Take Home: Black Fin Tuna, Blue Marlin, Grouper, Mangrove Snapper, Shrk., Sailfish, Swordfish, Tarpon, Yellowtail Snapper, Mahi-Mahi, Wahoo

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Duck Key, Florida

Hawks Cay Resort



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[Hawks Cay Resort](#) is located on one of the premier fishing destinations in America, **edging onto lush coral reefs and deep ocean** as well as being just south of Everglades National Park. Expect **double digits in hookups offshore** with peak numbers recorded for everything from **Blackfin Tuna to Bonefish**. The Resort will hook you up (literally!) with a local charter depending on **what sort of fishing adventure you're looking for**. They'll even arrange for you to **ship your prizes home through an offsite vendor** with the ship Captain taking care of everything from the filet to the packaging for guests.

What You'll Bring Home: Blackfin Tuna, Bonefish, Snook, Grouper, Tarpon, Mahi-Mahi

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Greenough, Montana

The Resort At Paws Up



[The Resort At Paws Up](#) is set smack on 10 miles of the **Blackfoot River**, as well as the **Missouri**, the **Bitterroot** and the **Flathead** which draws avid fishermen to this corner of Montana year after year. **This is Montana Fly-Fishing heaven**—truly, since the resort has some unparalleled luxury with 28 vacation homes and **30 swanky safari-style tents**. The surrounding rivers provide a textbook perfect environment for dry-fly fishing the Westslope Cutthroat Trout. Get ready for some sassy trout from the hefty stock that swims these rivers!

What You'll Bring Home: Trout: rainbows, West Slope cutthroats, browns, bulls and white fish

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Colorado Springs, Colorado

The Broadmoor



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Regardless of whether you are a seasoned pro looking for some tips or a newbie looking to try “The Contemplative Man’s Recreation”, the [Broadmoor](#) offers **Fishing Camps**, for adults that will bring you up to par. You won’t be able to actually bring your fish home since they **practice catch and release**, but the element of fun is still there. Try your hand on the Platte River amongst pine-covered mountains and meadows with the river almost bursting with trout of all varieties. You can also take an excursion to the Chico Basin where you’ll easily **reel in 30-60 fish within a couple of hours** along with getting some casting instruction and secret nymph fishing techniques.

What You’ll Bring Home: Trout: rainbow, brown and cutthroat trout, Largemouth bass, trophy bluegill and large crappie

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Sea Island, Georgia

The Cloister & The Lodge at Sea Island Resort



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No need to pack up your catch during a stay at the [Sea Island Resort](#)—the **resident chefs will happily prepare a custom meal with wine pairings** based on what you bring back from your day's adventures. With a wide range of fishing options including **off-dock, near-shore, offshore as well as crabbing**, you can seek out many different species of fish that thrive nearby. Cruise out to Cumberland or the Sapelo Island for a chance to **wrangle with some sharks and red bullfish**, or visit an artificial reef and live-bait for barracuda and sailfish.

What You'll Bring Home: Trout, Redfish, Flounder, Whiting, Tarpon, Shark, Tripletail, Bull Redfish, Mackerel, Cobia, Barracuda, Sailfish, Flounder, Jack Crevalle

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