GOING FISHING

Believe you me, I know a little something about fishing. Standing on the rocks, watching that big salmon swim by, scooping in with my big claws, and plucking that fish out of the water. What a rush! Now you may be a little disadvantaged compared to me, so you may need a little equipment with you.

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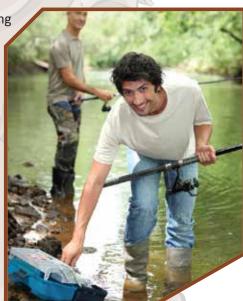


EARN THIS NUGGET

Go on a fishing trip and experience this wonderful challenging, relaxing, and fun pastime. Make sure you thank the person who was kind enough to take you and make sure all equipment is put away properly.

Now you know I'm not going to teach you everything you are going to need to know to be a master fisherman. But I do want to give you some things to think about for your next fishing trip.

- Go fishing with an expert, and by expert I mean someone who knows more than you do. They'll be able to guide you in best practices and teach you the ropes.
- In many states you'll have to make sure you have all the correct licenses and permits. To not have them, at best, could cut your trip short, at worst, you could get a fine.
- Go where the fish are. No point in putting your line in the water and waiting for fish that never come. Fish are like people; they like to hang out in certain areas. If you are having no luck in one area, try a different spot. People spend years finding their special fishing spots.
- Be quiet. Fish can hear you. If you are making noise or, dare I say throwing things in the water, you'll scare fish away and make other fishermen angry at the same time.
- Look after the equipment. Make sure everything is treated with respect and everything is put away where it should be. Fishing equipment can be expensive, so be a responsible RockHopper.



- Tread lightly. You are in nature, keep it beautiful. Don't damage the area and certainly don't leave any trash. As a RockHopper, you should aim to leave the place better than you found it.
- If you are going to catch and release, fishing can be great fun. If you are going to take your bounty home, you get to enjoy a wonderful fish supper. How cool is that.