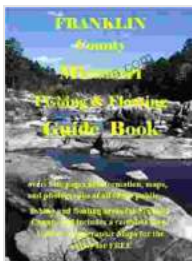


# Complete Fishing and Floating Information for Franklin County, Missouri

Prepare for an unforgettable fishing and floating experience in the heart of Missouri's nature paradise, Franklin County. This comprehensive guide unlocks the secrets of the region's pristine rivers and creeks, providing in-depth knowledge on the best fishing spots, effective techniques, and everything you need to know to maximize your outdoor adventure. Whether you're a seasoned angler or a novice floater, this guide will empower you to navigate the waters of Franklin County with confidence and uncover its hidden treasures. So, cast your line, paddle your canoe, and immerse yourself in the serenity of Missouri's natural wonders.



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## **Fishing in Franklin County, Missouri**

Franklin County is a fishing paradise, boasting an array of rivers and creeks teeming with diverse fish species. From the mighty Meramec River to the serene Bourbeuse River and the picturesque Huzzah Creek, each waterway offers a unique fishing experience. Whether you prefer casting a line for largemouth bass, battling feisty smallmouth bass, or pursuing elusive trout, Franklin County has something for every angler.

### **Best Fishing Spots**

- **Meramec River:** Known for its excellent bass fishing, the Meramec River offers a variety of habitats, including deep pools, shallow riffles, and rocky ledges.
- **Bourbeuse River:** A scenic stream with clear waters, the Bourbeuse River is home to a healthy population of smallmouth bass, spotted

bass, and sunfish.

- **Huzzah Creek:** A spring-fed creek with crystal-clear waters, Huzzah Creek is a fisherman's paradise, boasting abundant rainbow trout, brown trout, and smallmouth bass.
- **Courtois Creek:** A tributary of the Black River, Courtois Creek is another excellent smallmouth bass fishery, offering a mix of shallow and deep pools.
- **Gasconade River:** The largest river in Franklin County, the Gasconade River is home to a variety of fish species, including catfish, bass, and crappie.
- **Big River:** A smaller stream with clear waters, Big River is a great spot for fishing for bluegill, redear sunfish, and channel catfish.

## Fishing Techniques

The most effective fishing techniques in Franklin County vary depending on the target species and the specific waterway. However, some general tips include:

- **Bass:** Use lures that imitate baitfish, such as crankbaits, spinnerbaits, and soft plastics. Fish around structures such as rocks, logs, and weed beds.
- **Trout:** Use flies or spinners that resemble insects. Fish in areas with fast-moving water, such as riffles and runs.
- **Catfish:** Use live bait, such as nightcrawlers or cutbait, on the bottom of the river. Fish in deep holes or along drop-offs.

- **Sunfish:** Use small lures or live bait, such as crickets or worms. Fish in shallow areas with vegetation or near the shore.

## Floating in Franklin County, Missouri

In addition to its exceptional fishing, Franklin County offers some of the best floating opportunities in Missouri. The Meramec River, Bourbeuse River, and Huzzah Creek are all popular destinations for canoeing and kayaking. These rivers offer a variety of experiences, from gentle floats suitable for families to more challenging rapids for experienced paddlers.

### Float Trip Options

- **Meramec River:** The Meramec River offers a variety of float trip options, ranging from short day trips to multi-day excursions. The river is known for its scenic beauty and clear waters.
- **Bourbeuse River:** The Bourbeuse River is a great option for a more secluded float trip. The river is narrower and less crowded than the Meramec River, offering a more intimate experience.
- **Huzzah Creek:** Huzzah Creek is a popular destination for canoeing and kayaking. The creek offers a mix of calm waters and small rapids, making it suitable for paddlers of all skill levels.

### Float Trip Planning

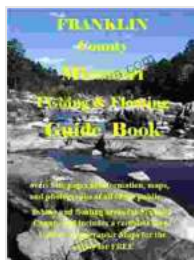
Planning a float trip in Franklin County is essential for a safe and enjoyable experience. Here are some tips to consider:

- **Check the weather forecast:** Always check the weather forecast before your trip and be prepared for changing conditions.

- **Bring plenty of water and snacks:** Stay hydrated and energized throughout your float trip.
- **Wear appropriate clothing:** Dress in layers and wear shoes that can get wet.
- **Respect the environment:** Pack out everything you pack in, and avoid disturbing wildlife.

Franklin County, Missouri is a true outdoor paradise, offering exceptional fishing and floating opportunities for enthusiasts of all skill levels. Whether you're an experienced angler looking for a trophy bass or a novice floater seeking a peaceful escape, Franklin County has something for you. With its pristine rivers and creeks, stunning scenery, and abundant wildlife, a fishing or floating adventure in Franklin County promises a lifetime of memories. So, gather your gear, embrace the spirit of exploration, and discover the hidden gems that await you in the heart of Missouri's nature paradise.

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