

CONSULTATION SERVICE

New to Oregon? New to steelheading or trout fishing? Just want to learn? You own a boat?

Jake is licensed and insured to fish with you on your boat and help you get dialed in. He also teaches fishing seminars across Oregon. If you do not have a boat but you do have a favorite stretch of river, Jake Mahon's Guide Service can still help you improve your bank fishing, too.

The consultation service is for those who want to improve their fishing knowledge on their own terms. Maybe you already love to fish and have a boat, or have a spot in mind, but are not yet dialed in enough to consistently catch fish. Maybe you love to fish and just bought your first boat; Jake gives rowing instruction, too. Or maybe you would like to take your family and friends out fishing but want some pointers before the big trip. Kids under 18 are encouraged to join and free with an adult!

SOME FISHING – RELATED INSTRUCTION OPTIONS

How to cast a fly rod	Reading water	Using scents	Using a centerpin rod	Tuning plugs
How to fish with an indicator or float	How to use a fly rod	How to wade fish	Side-drifting tips and tactics	How to properly fight a big fish
Line options	Rod options	Reel options	Choosing clips, swivels, beads, etc.	Customizing techniques by fishing hole
Storing and organizing gear	How to cure bait	How to fillet fish	How to vacuum seal fillets	How to cut bait
Tying yarn flies	How to pick size of plug, bait, bead, or yarn fly	Bead fishing for steelhead	How to adjust to rising or falling water levels	How to adjust to murky or clear water

--This list is hardly all-inclusive, these are just examples of what you might like to go over--

SOME BOATING – RELATED INSTRUCTION OPTIONS

Rowing tips and tactics	Reading water	Organizing your gear effectively	What water flows are safe?	Seat adjustment
Using an anchor	Boat maintenance	Rod holder placement	Boat alignment in the current	Boat placement when fishing
Required safety equipment	Choosing comfortable life jackets	How to keep from spooking fish with the boat	Choosing a boat cover	Conditioning oars
How to teach others to cast while you row	Baiting up others while rowing	Attire when rowing	Cleaning up the river (always bring a trash bag)	Using Gluvit waterproof epoxy

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WHERE WILL WE GO?

This is up to you. Jake will provide guidance in choosing a location if you'd like.

HOW LONG WILL WE GO OUT?

A full day is considered a total of 8 hours of instruction and time on the water combined; the breakdown of time on and off the water depends on the section of river to be drifted and how much knowledge you can soak up. If you have all your questions answered and would like to simply fish the remainder of the 8 hours, this is totally fine.

Every consultation trip also includes one ½ hour follow-up phone call to check-in just in case you have additional questions or lingering concerns.

WHAT WE PROVIDE ON A CONSULTATION TRIP

- Coffee
- Professional instruction
- Free fish-filleting (if we get lucky during instruction)

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

See "Rates" tab on the homepage.