

2010

# SPEAR FISHING TRIPS



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*Come see what everyone's talking about!*



## Trip One: June 26-27

Trip price of \$325.00 includes lodging, boat charter for two days, air fills, gear trailer, and fun guarantee. You need to provide two to three tanks, your own scuba gear, cooler for transporting fish, spear gun, dive flag, weights, stringer, and whatever else you need for personal convenience. Spear guns, tanks, flags, and scuba gear rentals are available if you don't have your own equipment. You are responsible for your own transportation to and from Pierre. We will be leaving from the shop between 12 noon and 1:00 PM on June 25. You can carpool with us, caravan with us to South Dakota, or travel out on your own. Space is limited for carpooling so it's first come for available space.

We'll stay at River Lodge in Pierre. On the morning of the 26th we'll board the boat and begin our quest for the illusive walleye. Lunch is furnished on the boat, as is water. If you want other beverages or your own food, you'll need to bring it. Coolers are on the boat for your convenience. We dive and spear fish all day or until we limit out. You can dive as much as you want for as long as you want. Your dive profiles are your responsibility and should always match your dive profile with your dive skills. The dives are generally shallow so nitrogen loading or exceeding decompression limits would be very unusual. Use all recommended gear for in-water comfort. We stress safety! We board the boat again on the morning of the 27th and will spear fish until we decide to quit for the day or until we limit out. After spearing on the second day, the fish need to be cleaned and everything needs to be packed for the trip back. We'll arrive back home late on the 27th or early in the morning on the 28th.

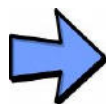
*It's the summer adventure you've been looking for!*



## TRIP TWO: August 21-23

Trip price of \$435.00 includes lodging, boat charter for three days, air fills, gear trailer, and fun guarantee. You need to provide two to three tanks, your own scuba gear, a cooler for transporting fish, spear gun, dive flag, weights, stringer, and whatever else you need for personal convenience. Spear guns, tanks, flags, and scuba gear rentals are available if you don't have your own equipment. You are responsible for your own transportation to and from Pierre. We will be leaving from the shop between 12 noon and 1:00 PM on August 20. You can carpool with us, caravan with us to South Dakota, or go on your own to Pierre. Space is limited for carpooling so it's first come for available space.

Lunch is furnished on the boat, as is water. If you want other beverages or your own food, you'll need to bring it. Coolers are on the boat for your convenience. We dive and spear fish all day or until we limit out. You can dive as much as you want for as long as you want. Your dive profiles are your responsibility and should always match your dive skills. The dives are generally shallow so nitrogen loading or exceeding decompression limits would be very unusual. Use all recommended gear for in-water comfort. We board the boat again on the morning of the 22<sup>nd</sup> and will spear fish for the day or until we limit out. On the third day, we'll probably dive the tailrace. The tailrace is a high-speed, sturgeon packed, drift dive. After the tailrace dive on the third day, the trailer needs to be packed for the trip home. We'll arrive back home late on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.



## TRIP THREE

### September 4-6

Trip price of \$315.00 includes the boat charter, air fills, gear trailer, and fun guarantee. You need to bring two to three tanks, your own scuba gear, spear gun, dive flag, weights, stringer and a cooler for transporting fish plus whatever else you need for personal convenience. Spear gun and scuba gear rentals are available if you don't have your own equipment. You are responsible for your own transportation to and from Pierre. We will be leaving from the shop between 12 noon and 1:00 PM on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. You can carpool with us, caravan with us to South Dakota, or go on your own. Space is limited for carpooling so it's first come for available space.

Where you stay or camp is up to you. The planned camping spot is Cow Creek Campground just a tad north of Spring Creek, about 17 miles north of Pierre, on the banks of Lake Oahe. A variety of camping options from rustic to hookup are offered. On the morning of the 4th we'll board the boat and begin our quest for the illusive and summer fattened walleye. Lunch is furnished on the boat, as is water. If you want other beverages or your own food, you'll need to bring it. Coolers are on the boat for your convenience. We dive and spear fish all day or until we limit out. You can dive as much as you want for as long as you want. Your dive profiles are your responsibility and should always match your dive skills. The dives are generally shallow so nitrogen loading or exceeding decompression limits would be very unusual. Use all recommended gear for in-water comfort. We board the boat again on the mornings of the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> and we will spear fish until quitting time or we limit out. After spearing on the last day, the fish need to be cleaned and everything needs to be packed for the trip home. We'll arrive back home late on the 6<sup>th</sup>. If we limit out before the 6<sup>th</sup> or if the group wants to, we can dive the tailrace on the 6<sup>th</sup>. Either way, the third day of diving will be the end of the long Labor Day weekend adventure.

We expect that we will have unlimited shore diving from the campground or nearby. If you plan to shore dive, more tanks may be needed.

What does "bring two to three tanks" mean? Depending on your air consumption you may want to bring more tanks. Tanks are filled at night after the day's activity. We don't stop during the day to fill tanks. The boat is loaded in the morning with all the tanks we expect to use. If you use more air, you need to bring three tanks. If you are comfortable with one tank, that is fine too. Most everyone brings two tanks but some people need three.

Steamboat is putting into service in 2010 the only first class dive boat serving Lake Oahe. Fresh from Florida waters, this new boat will provide extended range and creature comforts not available on the pontoon type boats being replaced. We have a passenger limit on the new boat of 14. If you want to be guaranteed a spot, you'll need to sign up early. We also have a minimum number of six participants to guarantee that we'll be able to use the new boat. Any fewer than six and we will be using one of the smaller boats. The earlier you commit to the trip, the better it is for all involved. Please put a deposit of \$50.00 per person for each trip or trips you choose. The balance is due 30 days prior to the trip date.

**Tippling:** Tippling is not required but it is customary in the dive industry. One should only tip in an amount that represents the value of the service received. With that said, the usual tip to the boat is \$20 per day. Many people have given more because the service we receive is outstanding. This has been a wonderful trip in the past and we expect each of our next trips to be even better.

At this time all rooms are double occupancy. If you desire other accommodations or have a special request, please ask. One of our helpful professionals will be glad to assist.

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