



What to Expect for Saltwater Bay Fishing

Spread Oaks Ranch offers Matagorda Bay saltwater fishing through ranch-vetted licensed captains. On a bay trip, you have the opportunity to catch redfish, speckled trout, and flounder. Your boat captain will offer you a choice between wade fishing, boat fishing or, during the season, night-gigging flounder. You have the opportunity to use live bait, spoons, plugs, gigs for night flounder, or even flies.

What to Know: All your fishing gear will be provided by the guides. You are only responsible for your personal comfort. A half day on the bay can bring weather extremes! Consider a small, waterproof bag or pack with such items as your Texas fishing license (see separate license document), sunscreen, bug spray, sunglasses, portable raincoat and, depending on the time of year, a light jacket. Snacks, water, and/or non-alcoholic drinks are provided, but you can purchase other drinks and food at the Matagorda marina.

Pricing: A half-day boat booking costs \$800 per boat and includes bait, snacks, non-alcoholic drinks, fish cleaning, your catch iced and in a portable cooler, and a 15% gratuity. Plan on three fishermen per boat, although four can be accommodated when weather conditions are good. Additional local licensed captains are available for parties that require more than one boat. For guests who arrive from out of town, we can arrange transportation to and from your fishing adventure. Costs are generally \$150 roundtrip per group of three to four.

