

Captain Bradley Phillips recommends the following Rod and Reel set ups for your First String fishing trip.



- **Light Bait**

- **25lb test**

- Avet MX 4.5

- Avet mxl 6/4 Accurate Boss B2-270

- Seeker 670

- **30lb test**

- Avet JX 6/3

- Trinidad 30 Accurate Boss B2-870

- Seeker 670H

- **Med. Bait**

- **40lb Test**

- Avet LX 6/3

- Trinidad 40 Accurate Boss B2-665

- Seeker G6470

- **Med/Heavy Bait**

- **50lb test**

- Avet EX 4/02

- TLD 20II Accurate Boss B2-665

- Seeker 6465XH

- **Heavy Bait**

- **60lb with #80 Spectra Backing**

- Avet EXW 4/02

- TLD 30II Accurate ATD-12

- Seeker 6460XH

TERMINAL TACKLE SUGGESTIONS

- Hooks 8/0, 6/0, 4/0, 3/0, 2/0, 1/0, 1
- Circle hooks 3/0, 4/0, 6/0
- Sinkers 4oz., 6oz., 8oz., 12oz., 16oz.
- TORPEDO SINKERS
- Sliding sinkers 1/2oz., 1oz. ,2oz. ,4oz.
- Casting lures heavy yo/yo.
- Surface Iron jigs
- Tuna type irons
- Trolling Jigs (We have trolling jigs to use, on a rotation)
- Mackerel bait catcher rigs
- Squid jigs for nighttime use in making bait for big tuna.
- Extra line in all pound test needed
- Fluorocarbon leaders have become very popular the last few years and we recommend it when fishing for bluefin tuna, albacore and yellowfin
- Gear may also be rented on the boat or at HM Landing on the day of departure

Spring Island Tackle set-ups

- 1) 15-20 pound test conventional light action "Fly Line" rod and reel
- 1) 20-30 pound test conventional medium action rod and reel
- 1) 40-50 pound test conventional medium-heavy action rod and reel

Terminal Tackle

Hook sizes #2-4/0
Multiple sized egg weights
4-8 oz. dropper loop sinkers
Mixed weight yo-yo style iron jigs
Squid snaggers/jigs

Summer Fishing

- 1) 15-20 pound test conventional light action "Fly Line" rod and reel
- 1) 20-30 pound test conventional medium action rod and reel
- 1) 40-50 pound test conventional medium-heavy action rod and reel
- 1) 60-80 pound test conventional heavy action rod and reel (boat offers loaners if you don't have this set up)

Terminal Tackle

Hook sizes #2-5/0
Multiple sized egg weights
Mixed sized split shot/ rubber core weights (sizes ¼ oz. up to 2 oz)
Mixed weight yo-yo style iron jigs
Albacore trolling feathers

Fall Fishing

- 1) 20-25 pound test conventional light action "Fly Line" rod and reel
- 1) 25-30 pound test conventional medium action rod and reel
- 2) 40-60 pound test conventional medium-heavy action rod and reel
- 1) 60-80 pound test conventional heavy action rod and reel

Terminal Tackle

Hook sizes #2-8/0

Multiple sized egg weights

Mixed weight yo-yo style iron jigs

Misc. trolling feathers/gear

Wahoo wire/trolling lures

Squid snaggers/jigs

Dropper loop weights 4-16 ounces

Multiple Day Trips

1) 15-20 pound test conventional light action "Fly Line" rod and reel

1) 20-30 pound test conventional medium action rod and reel

1) 40-50 pound test conventional medium-heavy action rod and reel

1) 60-80 pound test conventional heavy action rod and reel (boat offers trolling loaners if you don't have this set up)

Terminal Tackle

Hook sizes #2-5/0

Multiple sized egg weights

Mixed sized split shot/ rubber core weights (sizes ¼ oz. up to 2 oz)

Mixed weight yo-yo style iron jigs

Albacore trolling feathers

These are just suggestions, the boat does have trolling rods passengers can use. Fishermen can rent equipment from the landing for an additional cost.

Suggestions to bring on the multiple-day fishing trip

MISC. GEAR/PERSONAL ITEMS

- Misc. fishing gear: pliers, dikes, rod belt, gloves, harness, gloves
- Personal items: daily change of clothing, socks and underwear Towel, wash cloth, tooth brush and tooth paste, deodorant, Q-tips, body soap
- Wiping towels for use when fishing
- 1 Heavy jacket and 1 wind beaker jacket and/or sweatshirt
- Sunglasses
- Sunscreen
- Camera, film, batteries and/or video camera
- Rubber boots, tennis shoes, two pair if you plan to fish in them
- Light rain gear
- Hats either wide brim straw or baseball cap/visor and beanie
- Reading material s
- DVD's to watch
- Soft luggage or duffel bag is best to pack gear
- Sea sick medication, Tylenol, Aspirin, or any personnel medication