## FISHING IN OREGON

## My fishing trip to Brookings

A buddy and I hired a river guide to do some salmon fishing in Brookings, Oregon. We drove down a day early to scope out the area. We found the road following the Chetco River. We traveled east until we saw a bunch of cars parked on the shoulder near the river. We pulled over and headed to the river. We found a large group of fisherman fishing form the shore of this large deep stretch of the Chetco. We dropped a line and got a few hits right away. The fishing was good but it was getting dark and we had to find the hotel and check in.

The next morning we woke up early to meet the fishing guide. He drove us several miles up the Checto where we launched the drift boat. It was a beautiful day. In fact, it had been several beautiful weeks and the river was very low. The river was so low that we had to get out of the boat and pull it through the shallow rapids. We fished a few holes with minimal luck. The guide remained very positive and assured us he knew of a great fishing hole a little further downstream. As we approached at his secret fishing spot we noticed it looked very familiar. It was the same fishing hole he found the evening before.

If it weren't for the amazing salmon fishing we might have fretted about hiring a guide to fish a hole we found on our own.

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