

# PORT ARANSAS FISHING

## TIPS & INFORMATION – YOU MUST HAVE CURRENT FISHING LICENSE WITH APPROPRIATE SALTWATER STAMPS.

[www.utmsi.utexas.edu](http://www.utmsi.utexas.edu) – Monthly Tide Predictions & Environmental Data

[www.tpwd.sstate.tx.us](http://www.tpwd.sstate.tx.us) – Fishing license & regulations; weekly fishing report, fish identification

[www.portaransas.org](http://www.portaransas.org) – What to do between angling adventures

[www.portasouthjetty.com](http://www.portasouthjetty.com) – Weekly newspaper posts fishing reports, weather forecast, tide charts etc.

**WHATS BITING AND WHEN:** ( It is best to ask your charter professional for advice and current fishing activity)

### **GULF FISHING**

1. Popano April – October
2. Dolphin July – October
3. Red Snapper April – October

### **BAY FISHING**

1. Redfish All Year
2. Speckled trout All Year
3. Flounder All Year – especially Nov & Dec

Fishing Port Aransas bays and flats will definitely fill your stringer. You may want to give fly fishing a try. Charter your individual fishing trip with experienced guides, join in on a public group boat or rent a boat or kayak. Just contact one of the businesses below and let them know what you have in mind.

**FISHING DOCKS AND MARINAS** (Prices may change later in the year – verify price when making your reservation. Reservations need to be made early to ensure space is available)

#### **1. Capt. Kelly's Deep Sea Headquarters**

**440 W. Cotter 800 705 3474 [www.deepseaheadquarters.com](http://www.deepseaheadquarters.com)**

*Most comfortable vessel on Gulf Coast, "Gulf Eagle", "Kingfisher", "Pelican"*

##### **PUBLIC GROUP:**

Daily 8 hour – Departs 7:30 AM Returns 3:30 PM - \$80 per person includes equipment & bait.

Spectators - \$40 per person and may share a pole with full paid fisherman in the group.

12 Hour fishing trips (6 AM – 6 PM) \$95 per person and \$45 spectator price.

**PRIVATE CHARTERS** – Price range varies, depending on the size of vessel and number of fishermen/fisherwomen. Call for price and availability.

**BAY CHARTERS WITH PROFESSIONAL GUIDES** - food & beverages available for purchase on board. Fish cleaning and freezing service available for additional charge. Deposits are required in advance to hold a reservation.

5 hours = \$350 for 1-2 persons (\$50 ea additional)

8 hours = \$450 for 1-2 persons (\$50 ea additional)

**"U Hook Em, We Cook Em"**, that's our motto. After your fishing trip, let the professionals prepare your catch. We will cook it up just the way you like it, while you spend your time relaxing on our deck.

"There nothing better than your own fresh caught fish."

# PORT ARANSAS FISHING – (CON'T)

## 2. Woody's

136 W. Cotter

361 749 5252

[www.woodysonline.com](http://www.woodysonline.com)

[www.gulfcoastfishing.com](http://www.gulfcoastfishing.com)

Specializes in **PRIVATE CHARTER FISHING TRIPS**. Boats range in size from 25' to 50' manned by experienced, licensed captains. Deposit of \$200 to reserve a boat. Deposit is 100% refundable up to 48 hours before the trip or if the trip is cancelled by weather. Price includes bait, ice, tackle. Food and drinks are provided by guests. Cleaning is extra and should be determined prior to reservation.

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## 3. Island Queen II

800 211 9227

BAY FISHING –PUBLIC GROUP

4 Hour Trips – 8 AM – 12 PM; 1 PM – 5 PM & 6 PM – 10 PM

Request pricing. Price includes rod, reel, bait & tackle. Food and drinks are provided by guests. Cleaning is extra. Senior citizens get a 10% discount; Children 12 & under are ½ price; Adult rider = ½ price.

### OTHER NUMBERS & WEB SITES :

#### Dolphin Dock, Inc

300 W. Cotter

800 393 3474

[www.dolphindock.com](http://www.dolphindock.com)

#### Fisherman's Wharf

900 N Tarpon

800 605 5448

[www.wharfcats.com](http://www.wharfcats.com)

#### Island Moorings Marina

3500 Island Moorings Pkwy 361 – 749 4100

[www.bluewatermarina.net](http://www.bluewatermarina.net)

#### Offshore Docks

2200 Hwy 361 at Crab Man Marina 361 758 6900

[www.portaransasadventures.com](http://www.portaransasadventures.com)

# **OTHER**

## **PORT ARANSAS ACTIVITIES**

- 1. Dolphin Watch Nature Tours – See bottlenose Dolphins play. Tour St. Jo Island and Port Aransas jetties. Call for reservations 361 749 6969**
- 2. Texas State Aquarium – 361 881 1200** – Ask if the “Wild Flight” show is available. Entertaining shows, non-stop exhibits and activities and hundreds of species of aquatic life and exotic animals. Touch a shark, tickle a sting ray. Soak up the hands-in-the-water experience of Living Shores. Meet the frisky inhabitants of Otter Space then cheer the leaping dolphins. Voted “Best of the Best Local Tourist Attraction”
- 3. Museum of Science & History – 1900 N Chaparral 361 826 4650**  
[www.ccmuseum.com](http://www.ccmuseum.com) **Tuesday – Saturday 10AM – 5PM Sunday 1PM – 5PM** Explore the history and culture of South Texas. See ancient fossils, Ships of Christopher Columbus and turn-of-the-century urban artifacts.
- 4. Art Museum of South Texas – 1902 N. Shoreline 361 825 3500**  
[www.artmuseumofsouthtexas.org](http://www.artmuseumofsouthtexas.org) Combining talents of 2 great 20<sup>th</sup> Century architects – Philip Johnson and Ricardo Legorreta, this stunning museum offers a remarkable world of stimulating art. Touring exhibits and the permanent collection emphasize contemporary work and reflect the rich, multicultural heritage of South Texas. Attend an exhibit, enjoy a cappuccino or relax and enjoy the museum’s gift shop & café.
- 5. Texas Treasure Casino Cruises – Port Aransas at the Ferry Crossing 866 – GOT LUCK** [www.txtreasure.com](http://www.txtreasure.com) International Buffet and Restaurant, both accompanied by ocean views. Live Entertainment – swinging sounds of 50’s & 60’s and pop hits of today. Call for departure and arrival times.