



Frequently Asked Questions

Questions to ask when choosing a fly fishing guide service Help us make your day one to remember

It the guide or guide service licensed, bonded, and insured in Colorado? Be aware that guides conducting “rogue trips” or persons holding themselves out as guides without proper licensing are not covered under the outfitters insurance and license. This practice is illegal in Colorado.

What are the hidden costs of the trip? At Colorado Trout Fisher **EVERYTHING**, except your fishing license and gratuities for your guide, are included in the single advertised price based on the number of anglers.

What is the appropriate tip for a fly fishing guide? Gratuities are optional and we suggest you give them only if you were pleased with the service you received. Your guide will greatly appreciate any and all gratuities. Typical gratuities are approximately 20-30% of the total trip price, 20% is the industry standard or about \$50/person guided.

What experience do Colorado Trout Fisher guides have? All of our guides are seasoned experts in all areas of fly fishing and receive formal guide training before performing trips. Our guides are exclusive to us and will do everything in their power to make your fishing trip an unforgettable experience.

Why should I choose Colorado Trout Fisher? We are the most affordable, all-inclusive, convenient and professional guide service on Colorado’s Front Range. We have access to the highest quality water close to the Denver/Boulder area.

Do I need a fishing license? Yes. Your fishing license can be easily purchased online by following this link: <https://www1.co.wildlifelicenses.com/start.php>

I have a non-angling person who would like to come along, watch and take pictures, is this OK and is there is an additional charge? It is OK to have a non-angling guest come along for a trip. There is no charge from us for them to come along unless they decide they would like to fish when they see how much fun it is! Lunch is not included for any non-angling guest unless arranged ahead of time.

Can I get picked up at my hotel in the Denver/Boulder area? We are happy to offer our clients a hotel pick-up and drop-off service. Rates vary based on the service needed and can be arranged through our online booking system.

What do I need to do before the day of my trip? Please use the login and password information we provide you via email when your reservation is approved or when you are invited on a trip to login our website and confirm the details of your trip, invite your guests, complete your liability waiver and your trip profile or as a guest complete your liability waiver and trip profile.

Why is it important to login to the website and complete the required information? Doing so allows us to prepare for your trip before you arrive and helps us make the most of your fishing time. It also allows us to collect important information about you including disabilities, allergies, food requests, equipment needs, emergency contacts and your liability waiver without having to take time at the beginning of your day to do paperwork.

When I invite a guest how do they know the details about the trip and how do I know they have completed the necessary information? Your invited guest(s) will be sent an email from us letting them know you have invited them on a guided fishing trip. They will be given a login and password and instructions about how to login to the website and instructions about how to complete their liability waiver and profile. You will receive an email when they have completed their information so that you know they are ready for the trip.

How do I manage my trip and contact my guide before the trip? You can review the status of your trip 24/7 by referring to the trip checklist on your login homepage. Any questions that cannot be managed through the website can be directed to Customer Service at 800.882.4314 or you can contact your guide directly off the trip checklist page.

What if I do not login and complete the required information? Your guide will attempt to help you complete the required information before the day of your trip. If you or one of your guests is unable to complete the required information before the day of your trip, including securing a fishing license, time will be taken during your fishing day to complete the required information and or get your fishing license.

What if there is bad weather? We fish rain, snow, sleet or shine. If there is more than 2 hours of lighting during your trip, and we need to stop fishing, your trip can be rescheduled. If the river we are going to fish is frozen and un-fishable or the roads to access the location are closed we will reschedule your trip or you can cancel.

What should I bring?

- Mountain weather can change suddenly; we recommend dressing in several layers so you can adjust with changing conditions.
- Valid Colorado fishing license.
- Wool or fleece socks.
- Long underwear.
- Gloves.
- Hat.
- Quick dry pants.
- Rain gear.
- Polarized sunglasses.
- Sun block and lip balm.
- Insect repellent.
- Gratuity for your guide is always appreciated (approximately 20-30%) you can always put this on your credit card before or after your trip.
- Signed liability waiver and trip profile include emergency contact information (executed online before the trip)