

# Welcome to Sturgeon River Outfitters

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Sturgeon River Outfitters is a semi- remote recreational facility consisting of four self contained housekeeping cabins situated on the Sturgeon River with access to Four Bay Lake. This river/lake system is unique because it is more like fishing a chain of remote lakes which in several areas are approximately one-two miles in width, rather than a narrow river system. Sturgeon River Outfitters has the only facilities located on this 20 miles of lake and river waterways, ensuring complete privacy for our guests.

The first priority is that you experience a relaxing peaceful memorable vacation. It is our assurance to you that you receive prompt friendly attention to all your requirements.

With only four cabins on site, we specialize in a more personal contact with all our guests and the occupancy limit is 18-20 guests per week, allowing us to become well acquainted with each client.

## **Fishing**

This area offers to the west of Four Bay Lake exclusive, remote access to several different lakes that can be accessed through a combination of short boat trips and portage trails, offering tremendous fishing opportunities for walleyes and northern that **can match any fly - in lake in Northwestern Ontario**. Many of these lakes are fished only a few days each year, guaranteeing an authentic fishery which will formulate a true memorable day trip. These lakes are equipped with small boats, outboard motors and a supply of mixed gasoline is provided here at the main camp ready to take into the portage lakes.

Located here at the camp is a fish cleaning station equipped with running water and a processing table for the daily catch.

## **Bait**

Minnnows are available on site for sale. We give a healthy dozen approximately sixteen to eighteen for each dozen at a cost of \$3.50 US per dozen, plus tax.

## **Fishing Licenses**

Sturgeon River Outfitters has obtained Restricted License Issuing Status effective for the commencement of the 2008 operating season. There are two types of fishing licenses available at the office:

- Non Resident Eight Day Conservation Fishing License: \$28.84, Cdn. Funds.
- Non Resident Annual Conservation Fishing License: \$48.26, Cdn. Funds.

**Please note:** Sturgeon River Outfitters, accepts **CONSERVATION FISHING LICENSES ONLY. NO STANDARD FISHING LICENSES ARE ALLOWED.**

Concerning the Conservation Fishing License Reimbursement Program, there are three requirements to qualify:

- Obtaining the Conservation Fishing License directly from Sturgeon River Outfitters. Fishing Licenses purchased prior to arrival from another location will require verification upon arrival and are not eligible for reimbursement.
- The Reservation is for the full seven day period at the package plan price.
- It will be necessary for you as the guest to contribute pictures from your vacation here at Sturgeon River Outfitters, whether the pictures are of fishing, groups sessions or nature scenes to the electronic photo gallery. In summary, obtain those pictures and forward memories. Thank you in advance for your consideration and support.

## **BOAT OPERATOR REGULATIONS**

The Pleasure Craft Operator Card or the Boating Safety Course is not required for non-residents, while operating

watercraft for the duration of the vacation. Sturgeon River Outfitters provides the Rental - Boat Safety Checklist to each boat operator upon check in. This checklist requires the boat operator's signature to be valid and must be carried by the boat operator, while operating the boat.

Please remember to bring your own PFD/USCG approved lifejacket, as it is a requirement to have a PFD/lifejacket by law and your safety is important to us.

**Attention Hunters:** Please bring your Home State Hunting Licenses, as this documentation is required to process and issue an Ontario Hunting License.

## **Sturgeon River/Portage Lakes**

### **Four Bay Lake**

This lake is one of our main fishing lakes which has all three species of fish that are native to this area which are: walleye, northern pike, and lake trout. Four Bay is a deep lake that has an average depth of 35 feet with maximum depths of 120 feet, and as it is a bulge of the Sturgeon River system, it is a natural flowage enabling it to have a constant cooling affect, even in the hot periods of summer. The fish tend to bite better even in the mid summer and the meat is much firmer than the shallow lakes to the north. Also, Four Bay Lake has two unique factors, the very north bay is a fish sanctuary and is closed until June 14, this provides additional protection for the females walleyes to have ample time to spawn. The bottom structure consists of sand, gravel and several rock reefs, which provide feeding areas and protection for all types of marine life which is very beneficial to the fishery.

### **White Falls**

The very first portage that will require navigating to continue into the Sturgeon River is the very first falls below Four Bay Lake, called White Falls. This is a fairly short portage which is only a 0.25 mile. On the west side of the White Falls, we have one floating dock and four boats equipped with outboard motors. White Falls itself is a fine generator of oxygen providing feed and the fish are right at the base of the rapids.

### **Sturgeon River/Dizzy Lake**

The Sturgeon River has a series of rapids, White Falls is one of them, that provide a natural flowage supplying plenty of oxygen and a rich feed structure that is conducive to producing plentiful stocks of walleye and trophy pike. This river system has great spawning areas consisting of gravel and sand beds mixed in with boulders which are a perfect habitat for breeding females. Also, this waterway has many features to it, it is one of the most scenic lakes in Northwestern Ontario with many bays and fantastic rock formations that make for great natural photo opportunities, in addition it has tremendous bottom rock formations to harbor schools of fish. The center of Dizzy Lake which is the main portion of this water body has a strong natural flowage producing under water currents which are very beneficial to fish habitat. The quiet bays of Dizzy Lake offer tremendous opportunities to catch trophy northern pike. Upon catching your shore lunch, you may want to check out our shore lunch cookout location at Bicycle Island.

### **Second Falls**

For the more adventurous angler, the waterways below the second falls provide an excellent angling opportunity for trophy northern and walleye. The second falls portage is fairly level, although the distance is a little longer than the White Falls portage at approximately 0.5 miles. Also, we provide a boat and motor at this site.

### **Davies Lake**

From the north arm of Dizzy Lake, there is a portage trail which is a third of a mile through flat terrain to reach Davies Lake. Davies Lake is a favorite of all our current guests because it is a piece of paradise offering seclusion, and tranquility along with fine fishing for both trophy northern and walleye. This lake has an average depth of

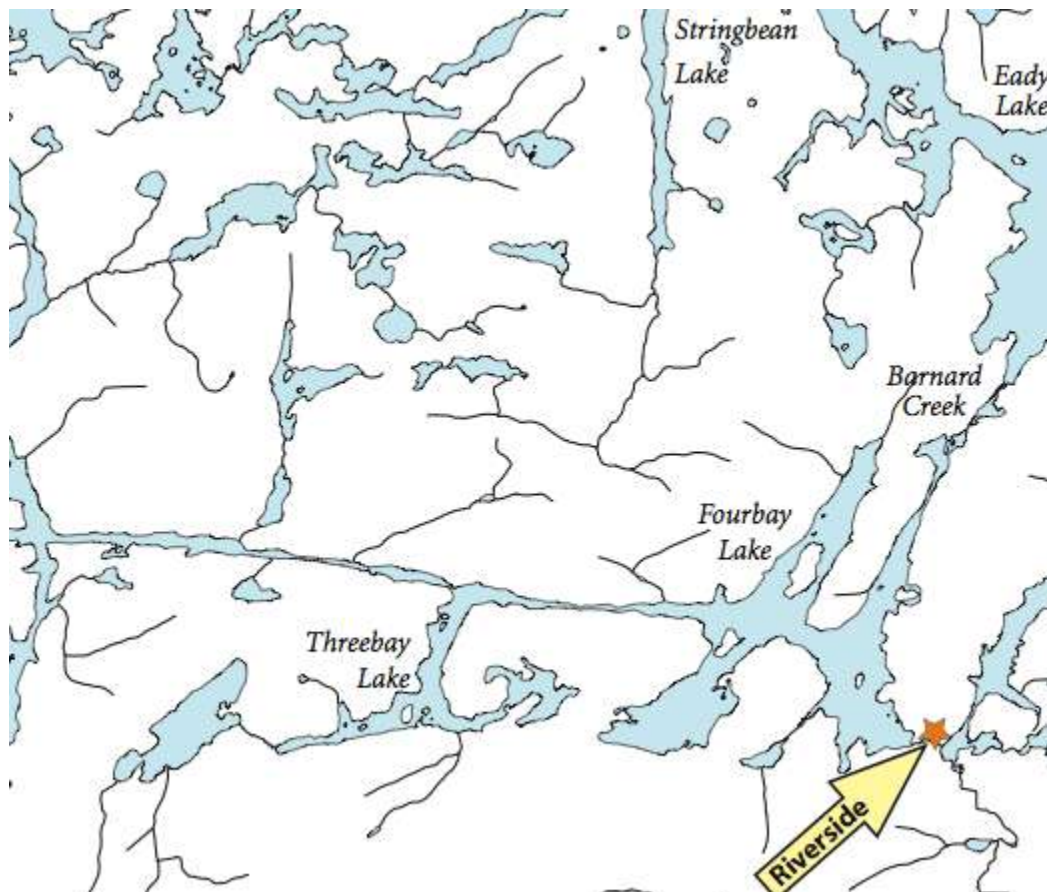
approximately 25 feet, with a structure of rock boulders and in the northern areas of the lake there are some large expanses of sand and gravel on the bottom. In addition, Davies Lake has excellent shore lunch facilities located on an island in the central part of the lake for your enjoyment. This lake also has boats and motors.

## F - Lake

This small lake is connected by portage trail from Davies lake. For the most adventurous guests, this lake offers tremendous fishing for walleyes and northerns. Also, there are boats and motors at this location.

### One foot note for your consideration

The natural setting of the above lakes and river system, along with conservation measures of protecting and encouraging the growth of the Sturgeon River fishery system, have proven wonders with number of walleyes, northern pike and even lake trout increasing with each passing year. Whether you come for the fun of it or the big trophies the quantity and quality of fish will be here now and they will remain in the future.



## Catch and Release or Catch and Consume Policy

An interesting fact to consider on the topic of reproduction of walleye: For each pound, 20,000 eggs are produced from the breeder female walleye. Example: 5 lb X20,000=100,000 fingerling walleyes, only 1/10 of 1%, which is 100 walleye survive to become an adult 16 inch walleye.

Sturgeon River Outfitters in cooperation with the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources has formulated a conservation approach to enhance and protect the fisheries for the Sturgeon River System which includes: Four Bay Lake, Dizzy Lake, Davies Lake, F-Lake and Grup Lake. This program was implemented as of January 1, 2007, and it is a modified catch and release or catch and consume program.

- The 17.5 inch rule which is a current conservation measure will remain as policy and will be enforced that no walleyes over 17.5 inches be taken out, all walleyes over 17.5 inches must be returned to their natural habitat unharmed.
- No Standard Possession Fishing Licenses will be accepted, only Conservation Limit Fishing Licenses will be allowed.
- There is a requirement for all clients to obtain the Conservation Fishing License directly from Sturgeon River Outfitters, in the event a Fishing License is purchased prior to arrival from another location, verification is required upon arrival. When the Conservation Fishing License is purchased from another location the client will not qualify for the Conservation License Reimbursement Program. Additionally, all current and future guests will be advised, pertaining to licensing and conservation policies.
- The possession limit remains two fish per species, with the exception for Lake Trout which is one.
- Guests of Sturgeon River Outfitters will be allowed to take home one Lake Trout per person. The Lake Trout policy will be monitored on an annual basis, should Lake Trout stocks decline, then adjustment will be made pertaining to transporting Lake Trout for home consumption.
- Our studies throughout this past season have strongly indicated there is a large abundance of Northern Pike. Guests will be allowed to take home two Northern Pike within the legal size class, no Northern Pike can be taken between 27" to 35", as this is the provincial protected slot limits. We will continue to monitor this Northern Pike policy, should numbers dwindle in the future, then there would be an adjustment, pertaining to the number of Northern Pike which could be taken home or perhaps no Northern Pike would be allowed to be harvested for home consumption.
- This modified catch and release or catch and consume program, permits the guests to eat fish up to the allowable limits within the Conservation Fishing License structure while in camp, please note: **all walleyes over 17.5 inches**, must be returned to the water unharmed and **no walleyes** can be taken home.
- Single barb less hooks are strongly recommended, this measure will be very assistive in releasing fish and also the injuries fish encounter while being caught will diminish greatly and mortality rates will decline. Although some anglers may feel they lose more fish with barb less hooks, research indicates steady pressure on the line will seldom result in lost fish.
- **Absolutley NO Slip Bobbers or Lindy Rigs allowed!**
- Sturgeon River Outfitters will continue to reimburse all clients for the eight day Conservation Fishing License, providing that the reservation is for a seven day period or longer.
- Upon your arrival, there will be a form for you to sign agreeing that you have read, understood and supported the entire conservation fishing policy.

### **THE DANGERS OF SLIP BOBBER USE.**

This article was written by Dr. Tom Peters, Valued Client.

Hello fellow Sturgeon River Outfitters/Lodge fisherman. My name is Dr. Tom Peters. I am an animal scientist and live in Oregon, Illinois. I have had the fortunate luck of fishing at this resort and the Sturgeon River system for well over 20 years now. I have seen many changes in the area and when I first started fishing this beautiful area, it had been "freshly burned." As you can see around the upper lakes (4-bays, 3-bay, Sanctuary) there are only a few groups of trees that survived the fire. Luckily, the camp survived and is here to welcome us back year after year. I look so forward to our group coming up each year for our annual father/son fishing trip! As most fisherman, I contemplate and review the Cabela's catalogs with much angst each year as my wife questions "you don't need any more fishing gear." In fact, she is most often right, for my fishing week while at Sturgeon River Outfitters, as a handful of 1/8 oz. jigs, will generally suffice to catch all the fish one needs for shore lunch. James and Jean are great new additions to the camp and I welcome them and their plans for a lifelong fishing destination. They have asked me to comment on "Why to NOT use slip bobbers" while fishing at their resort.

Now, before some of you get mad and question why I would suggest this, I need to clarify a few things. First off, I am an animal scientist, not a fisheries biologist. I have fished for my approximate 50 years of life, since I could remember. I was raised on a farm in Minnesota and fishing was a way of life for our family from the "get go." I (probably like many of you) really enjoy walleye fishing. I have had this "addiction for chasing walleyes" in my blood forever. I own a cottage in northern Wisconsin, located on a good Muskie lake..., but

my son and I still fish for walleye's every time we are in the boat. I am blessed to be able to walleye fish in many different places across North America. Generally, between Canada, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Illinois and Wisconsin. I am lucky enough to be on the water over 60 days per year fishing for walleyes. The point is that I love to fish walleyes, have my whole life and am lucky enough to have a son and friends whom like to do the same! Like most fisherman, I am a student of the science and art of fishing and also like most fisherman, I think I am pretty good at fishing. Enough bragging!

What I did want to discuss with fellow guests at this lodge and on the Sturgeon River chain here in Ontario is that I hope we can fish this place for many more decades and not have to worry about it being "fished out." Most of us fellow fisherman drive all the way up here, to participate in excellent fishing...because in the United States most lakes are either over fished, over speared (Minocqua, Wisconsin) or over-polluted to support large walleye populations. The group of friends that I fish with, are dedicated to the proposition that we will catch and release all of our fish except immediate shore lunches. I am hopeful that my son Luke and my friends will eventually "spread my ashes" up by the sanctuary, when I pass. Obviously, some of my best memories have occurred on this system.

If you read the MNR information, it takes approximately 10 years for a walleye to grow to 15 to 16 inches in these waters. Some estimates are that a 30 inch walleye may be 20-25 years old, or older! These are cold waters and growth curves are slow for fish. I think the Sturgeon River system (I mostly fish river systems for walleye) is unique in that it has such a diverse array of structure that it can be "relatively easy" or conversely "almost impossible" to find and catch fish (often on back to back days). Most fisherman that traverse these waters, must know good basics about structure, weather patterns, walleye yearly cycles and time of season...to experience success on a daily basis. Likewise, with this river system, there are some places to fish every day that allow almost certain success.

Now, it's not my place to tell you what to do with a 30 inch walleye. Many people fish a lifetime for crack at one. Most fisherman will never even see a 30 inch walleye. If you do catch one, you must be prepared on what you are going to do...you must move swiftly to unhook a fish of this size and not stress it to death. I would try to encourage you to take a picture of any walleye over 17.5 inches and let it go. I especially would encourage you to release a 25 plus inch walleye. If you want a mount...they make spectacular fiberglass replicas that will last forever. To date, I have caught 14 walleye's -30 inches or larger and have released them all (not all from Canada)! I am proud of this. Better yet, my son Luke has caught (and released) 3...back-to-back-to-back, 30 plus inch walleyes (when he was 12 years old).

So, you ask, what is the point of this article? Well, we (our group) strictly use jigs when we fish. We do this for several reasons. First of all, because I am convinced there is nothing more exciting in life to have a good light rod rigged with light line and a small jig...and have a walleye hit it. However, I will tell you that we also ONLY jig for walleyes because of the 10's of thousands of walleyes I have caught in my life, I think that only 5 or 6 have died upon release. Those walleye mortalities were most certainly related to how long the fish was in the boat or because the walleye had been badly "mauled" from a Northern Pike on the way to the boat. Conversely, I see almost on a daily basis in most lakes, an extreme high mortality (death loss) of walleyes that have been caught (and released) with slip bobbers. You see, many of the walleye's that are caught on slip bobbers ingest the hook resulting in harm to gills or vital organs. Most people think that they can release these deep hooked fish and "the fish will recover." Unfortunately, many of these fish perish. I see this in a northern Wisconsin lake often. Sure, slip bobbers are an effective technique to catch walleyes, but on this system you can surely catch plenty of walleyes with jigs. I can relate some of the horrible stories we have witnessed while fishing in northern Wisconsin, North Dakota and Minnesota and observing countless dead walleyes floating on the water...because they had been hooked with slip bobbers. therefore, when Jame and Jean came to us and asked us for our support in not using slop bobbers on the system...we gladly agreed. Easy for us, since we don't use slip bobbers. We feel the same way about "Lindy rigs," but I am sure the mortality is slightly less than when fishing with slip bobbers.

When the fish is hooked with multiple barbed hooks, the "turn-over" time to release the fish is often lengthened, often resulting in higher mortality rates. However, I feel they are justified in requesting the elimination of slip bobber fishing. Even with the use of a "CIRCLE HOOK" rigged to a slip bobber, there is a high percentage of mortality. It is common knowledge that when the "SLOT LIMIT" went into effect on Mille Lac's Lake in Minnesota, there were "rafts" of dead walleyes on the shores from the slip bobber caught walleyes that were released because their size fell within the "SLOT."

As you can see, it is imperative that for walleye on this delicate system to remain in great supply forever, we as the fisherman need to be the “protectors” of our fishery. If we respect these fish and harvest only the ones that we use for shore lunch, then perhaps with some luck the fishery will be productive and sound for many more generations of fisherman. I fully support the owners of Sturgeon River Outfitters in recommending discontinued use of slip bobbers. Hope to see you on the water.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tom Peters, PH.D.

## **A Final Word Pertaining to Conservation**

Consider taking measurements, several photos, and releasing the fish gently. Graphite reproductions are easier to care for than skin mounts, they look just as good, and you will win the praise of friends. They will appreciate the fact you let the fish go for someone else to catch and to keep its superior genes in the gene pool. That way you and others can catch the same fish again later – only it will be bigger for years to come.

Many thanks to our guests for displaying respect and consideration for all the fisheries associated with Sturgeon River Outfitters. This is the very best of great sportsmanship and your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated by Jean and I. Your generous contribution will enhance the fisheries and ensure sustainability for future generations to enjoy.

## **Outdoor Activities**

Sturgeon River Outfitters also offers a full range of activities ranging from exploring the lakes and rivers which beckon you, with several scenic waterfalls within a four mile radius of the lodge itself.

The photography opportunities are spectacular throughout the entire waterway system as there are great rock formations and the area is plentiful with wildlife such as moose, bear and a variety of fur bearing animals.

The portage trails provide opportunities for wildlife and bird watching, berry picking, challenging hikes and they are the transportation routes to the out lakes. Fish your own lake, enjoy a shore lunch on a secluded island, relax the choice is yours.

## **Facilities**

An independent building, well named "Walleye Heaven" is nestled within the shade trees, featuring tables, chairs and gas grills, it is available for your exclusive use anytime. Walleye Heaven is an excellent spot to relax in socialize and of course swap fish stories.

**Boats and Motors** are supplied within all package plans.

### **Boats**

The boats are fourteen foot in length, which vary in variety and type, all are equipped with swivel seats for your comfort.

On Four Bay Lake itself, we have a sixteen foot Lund that can be equipped with three seats, in the event there is a group of three who would prefer to fish together.

### **Motors**

The Outboard motors are 9.9 HP Johnsons and the smaller portage lakes are equipped with 8 HP Evenrudes.

## Catch and Release Nets

This is a new additional item supplied in all boats at the main locations of Four Bay, White Falls, and Davies Lake. It is to assist in safe retrieval and ensure proper release techniques of fish.

**Minnow Buckets** are supplied, one per boat, when fishing below the White Falls, there will be a requirement to take your bucket downriver with you.

## **Please Note:**

Transporting your own boat to utilize during your vacation here is **not** required **nor** applicable. As we operate the camp very similar to a fly-in, where boats and motors are included in the package. For instance, Four Bay Lake itself is the body of water we are situated on, it is a small lake and the fishing is good in it, although a larger percentage of the fishing action and the gentle pull to explore is below White **Falls**. There is a short portage trail, and it is the only method to bypass the White **Falls**, the water itself is not navigable through the **falls**. The adjoining waters west of White **Falls** are accessible only by the boats supplied at the White **Falls** Dock.

## Accommodations

### Self Contained Cabins

Our four housekeeping cabins are clean, comfortable and nicely furnished, accommodating eight people in the Hilltop, with varying numbers in each of the remaining three cabins.

Each of our cabins features:

- Twenty four hour electricity with electric heat.
- Full bathroom facilities, complete with hot and cold pressurized water.
- Electric refrigerator
- Propane cooking range, microwave oven and electric coffee maker
- Complete set of cooking utensils
- Bed linens and blankets
- Please note: Bath towels and personal items are not supplied

## Suggested Items to Pack

**Please remember to bring the following items:**

- Groceries
- Pop/beer/liquor
- Heavy duty garbage bags
- Toilet Paper

- Towels and wash cloth
- Tin foil/cling Wrap
- Garbage bags
- Rain gear (jacket and pants)
- 2 pair of foot wear/slippers for in the cabin
- Warm jacket
- Waterproof mitts, warm hat (in spring & fall)
- Sun hat
- Camera and plenty of film
- Insect repellent and mosquitoes coils
- Sun screen
- 2 fishing rods and reels
- Tackle
- Rubber boots for the portages
- Please bring your own PFD/USCG approved lifejacket, as it is a requirement by law to have a PFD/lifejacket and your safety is important to us.

## **Packages**

**A point to ponder is:** When researching vacation destinations consider Sturgeon River Outfitters as rates are fifty percent cheaper than the fly-in lakes and our fishery is equivalent or better. Give us a try and you won't be disappointed.

### **Our packages**

- Fishing
- Hunt/Fish Combo
- Bear Hunt

## **Cancellations Liability Policy**

### **Cancellation**

All payments made to Sturgeon River Outfitters shall be non-refundable once confirmation of your reservation is received, in the event a cancellation becomes necessary, the \$100.00 US deposit shall be credited towards a future reservation within the same calendar year, provided that space is available. Please be sure to reserve the exact date of your preference, as you will be charged for the full time and services reserved. There are no refunds for early departures and no credit for deposits on a member of your group who is not in attendance.

## Liability

Sturgeon River Outfitters shall not be held liable for additional expenses or lost fishing time that are not within our control. These items include, but may not be limited to acts of God, lightning, fire, floods storms or other weather related issues, or other acts such as blockades or disruptions at the US - Canadian Border.

Please note: All guests staying at Sturgeon River Outfitters are responsible for damage to boats, outboard motors and equipment within the cabins.

## **Fishing/Vacation Package Plan**

**Duration of Package Plan: Saturday to Saturday, check in: 3:00 pm and Checkout: 8:00 am.**

All Rates + Taxes are in US Currency.

1-2 Persons: 575.00 per/ person + 74.75 Taxes = 649.75 Total.

### **Volume discount packages**

3 Persons Plus: 550.00 per/ person + 71.50 Taxes = 621.50 Total.

Children nine or under are half of the total price, per child.

Price includes: Accommodation, boat, motor, gasoline and fishing licence. Please Note: The fee for the Temporary Ontario Outdoor Card is an additional cost of 9.68 and is not included in the inclusive price. The Temporary Ontario Outdoor Card is available here in the office for purchase and can be conveniently added to the invoice.

Minnnows are an extra cost of 3.50/ dozen and are available on site.

### **Please Note: July 1, 2010 onward:**

The Canadian Federal Government has introduced the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST), effective July 1, 2010. This is a blended tax, Federal and Provincial Taxes combined into one tax. There was a price increase of 3% because within this combined tax, the government adjusted the rates from 10% to 13%.

There is a requirement for all businesses, including Sturgeon River Outfitters to collect this additional 3% of tax revenues and remit these funds quarterly to the Federal Government. This applies for all packages offered by Sturgeon River Outfitters. Thank you in advance for your understanding on this topic.

## **Grouse Hunt-Fish Combo**

With the area offering an abundance of logging roads to the north and east of the lodging facilities, in the autumn guests can enjoy the best of both worlds. These road corridors provide easy access to hunt grouse, which are plentiful within this type of forest habitat, especially in new growth areas. Most areas can be traversed with two wheel drive vehicles, although four wheel ATVs make it more fun and adventurous.

**Duration of Package Plan: Saturday to Saturday; Checkin: 3:00 pm and checkout 8:00 am.**

### **Rates**

Rates +Taxes are in US Currency.

670.00 per/ person + 87.10 Taxes = 757.10 Total.

Includes: Accommodation, Boat/Motor, Gasoline, and Licences listed below.

Available at the camp office.

- Non Resident Small Game License: 112.46.
- Non Resident Eight Day Conservation Fishing License: 28.84.
- Please Note: Bring your Home State Hunting Licenses, as this documentation is required to process and issue an

Ontario Hunting License.

- Please note: The fee for the Temporary Ontario Outdoor Card is an extra cost of 9.68 and is not included in the inclusive price. The Temporary Outdoor Card, is available here in the office for purchase and can be conveniently added to the invoice.
- Minnows are an extra cost of 3.50/dozen and are available on site.
- Please Note: We apologize, no hunting dogs are allowed. Thank you in advance for your understanding

## **Bear Hunt**

Presently we operate a small bear hunt on a two hundred square kilometre Bear Management Area, (BMA). This tract of wilderness, was not hunted in the 2007 hunting season because we had just acquired the area in August of 2007. Sturgeon River Outfitters commenced bear hunts in one section of the BMA for September 2008 with 100% success. In 2009 and 2010 the BMA was not hunted because of the world economic recession, however the bear population benefited - was greatly elevated and the bear hunt in 2011 was very successful. The activity on the baits was 100%, with many baits displaying multiple bear activity.

The new addition for the 2010 Bear Hunt season is the installation of a 120 square foot walk-in cooler on site. This cooler, with its new AC Unit will preserve your harvested bear, to yield an excellent quality organic meat.

**Duration of Package Plan: Saturday to Saturday, Checkin: 3:00 pm and checkout: 8:00 am.**

- Sites are pre-baited and include housekeeping accommodations, please enquire for full details.
- Bear hunters are required to bring their own portable tree stands.
- Assistance is provided, for setting up tree stands and retrieval of yogi.
- Bear Hunting License cost is: 224.66.
- Temporary Ontario Outdoor Card : 9.68.
- Please Note: Bring your Home State Hunting Licenses, as this documentation is required to process and issue an Ontario Hunting License.

## **RATES**

Base Rates + Taxes are in US Currency.

1,250.00 per person/per week +162.50 Taxes + Bear License/Temp.Outdoor Card = 1,646.84 Total.

Price includes the cost of the Temporary Ontario Outdoor Card, in the event the hunter already has the Ontario Outdoor Card, the total cost is: 1,637.16.

Export Permits are an extra 35.00, however these permits are not available at this location and the above price does not reflect the cost of an Export Permit.

Includes: Accommodation, Boat / Motor, Gasoline, Licenses.

## **INFORMATION UPON ENTERING BORDER: FIREARMS - HUNTING BOWS**

All firearms must be declared upon arrival at the US-Canadian Border. No hand guns are allowed to be transported across the border into Canada for hunting purposes. Hunting Bows are not classified under the Firearms Act, although this type of weapon requires declaration also at the US-Canadian Border. There is one type of crossbow not allowed to be transported into Canada, which is the design, held and discharged with one hand. Length of this prohibited crossbow is less than 500mm from tip to tip.

Pertaining to rifles and shotguns, it is a requirement under the Canadian Firearms Act, that each individual hunter complete a Non-Resident Declaration Form 909. Should the individual hunter have more than three eligible firearms, a Non-Resident Declaration Form 910 will need to be completed. Form 910 is a continuation of Form 909. Forms can be obtained from the Canadian Firearms Center by calling: 1 800-731-4000 or from their website at: [www.cfc-cafc.gc.ca](http://www.cfc-cafc.gc.ca). Forms can also be obtained from Customs at any border crossing. In the event you download these forms or have them sent to you in the mail from the Canadian Firearms Center, forms may be completed before arriving at the border crossing, although it is a requirement the form be signed by the individual hunter, within the presence of the Customs Officer. There is a fee of \$25.00 Cnd. funds for the processing of each Non-

Resident Declaration Form 909, No additional fees for form 910, should it be required.

Please Note: We apologize, no hunting dogs are allowed. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

## **Rate and Methods of Payment**

Pertaining to all of the above rate and plan structures contained within this advertising feature please note:

Credit cards are not honored, we accept personal checks for the deposit only, with the balance payable by certified or travelers' checks, money order or cash.

All rates including taxes are in US currency only.

All reservations must be accompanied by a 100.00 US deposit per/ person to secure the reservation.

Deposits are only refundable when the cancelled reservation for that period can be rebooked within the same calendar year.

All rates are subject to change without advance notice.

## **About Us**

Sturgeon River Outfitters is open from May to October. We are available anytime for comments or to place a reservation.

Check in time is: 3:00 pm (Saturday)

Check out time is: 8:00 am (Saturday)

Your consideration on the above times is very much appreciated, as it takes us some time to prepare your cottage and equipment. Please plan to arrive after 3:00pm to ensure all is ready for your group, thanks.

A little point of interest for your curiosity in regards to our background. Jean and I have been involved together within the tourism sector for ten years and have enjoyed every minute of it, mainly in management and also the ownership role.

A large part of the experience was acquired in remote fly-in lodges north of Armstrong, Ontario, these were memorable years with great thoughts. Our former clientele were all U.S. citizens and many have become friends, it was a real pleasure to serve them. The experiences I have encountered range from twelve years in the forestry sector, where I also managed two small outpost cabins on remote lakes within the forestry company's private lands serving corporate executives. In addition, I was employed for eight years as a water plant operator within the Sault Ste Marie district, and prior to this, I had six years of active service within the Coast Guard as the Lighthouse Keeper on Caribou Island, Lake Superior.

Prior to 1999, my wife Jean had been involved with the health care sector in the Sault Ste Marie area.

Jean and I look forward to this tourism venture in the Savant Lake area and welcome all past and present clientele. Please feel free to contact us at anytime and we will try to assist to the best of our ability.

## **Testimonials**

James and Jean:

Elaine, Bill and I thank you again for a wonderful time last week. Your concern and attention to detail for the enjoyment and safety of your guests is matched only by your concern and attention to the well being of the river system itself. Both combine to make the Sturgeon River a first rate fishing and nature experience. I have been fishing and canoeing the Sturgeon River for 25 years, and it just keeps getting better. Thanks for all you do.

Elaine, Bill and Brent.  
Illinois

To Sturgeon River Outfitters:

We look forward to coming each year and know we will be well taken care of by James and Jean. They are on top of everything. Thank you for all the terrific year.

Gale Benson, Tom Halloway, Dick Beetch, Louie Boehuke.  
Minnesota

Hi James and Jean:

I'm just writing to thank both of you for a wonderful vacation. Everything was just perfect. The Hilltop cabin was really nice, the boat and motor worked great, and the fishing for walleye was excellent. But most important was the hospitality of you two that made the vacation so enjoyable. Ben especially had a wonderful time. We will remember this vacation for the rest of our lives. I'm already trying to arrange a group for a repeat trip next year. My son and grandson would like to go as well as Ben's father, so we may be looking at a group of five guys. I'll keep in touch with you with openings as soon as I know more.

Thanks again for everything, Dave, Sue and Ben.  
Wisconsin

James and Jean: Thanks again for a wonderful week of fishing. As usual, the cabin was great and the service is very much appreciated. The fishing is getting better each year and we seem to find a couple new hot spots each summer. We will plan on the same week next summer. Jeff Herdendorf has a couple of friends who may be contacting you for a 4 man cabin the same week as us. Thanks again for the great trip.

Gene

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### **BORDER CROSSING INFORMATION**

The land and sea passport requirement has been implemented as of June 2009.

## **Location**

Connect with the Trans Canada Highway 17 to Ignace, Ontario. Turn onto Highway 599, which runs mainly north and travel for 63 miles, cross the bridge and we are located just past the bridge on your left.

