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How to Catch Bass in South Carolina and Where to Go

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There are some popular places in South Carolina to do some bass fishing. Lake

Murray, Broad River, Santee River, Lake Marion and Lake Wylie are some great places to fish. These lakes and rivers have been producing some nice catches year after year. The secret for some areas is the catch and release that is done by many of anglers. They will fish all day and only keep a few for the table. The rest are released so the population can continue to grow. Two places where spotted bass are showing up are Keowee Lake and Jocassee Lake. No one knows how the fish got there because they where never planted.

Lake Murray is where you are going to find some impressive largemouth fishing. It seems that March to May is the prime time to do some bass fishing. The summers are good but the spring months seem to be better according to fishing reports and from anglers themselves. The deeper waters are a good location to find the bass. Usually around the channels by the ledges as well as humps and points is where to find the bass. Then when fall comes around, the bass move into the shallows. Because of the pleasure boating in the summer months, it is harder to catch the bass. Spinnerbaits work well for catching bass in the coves, while nightcrawlers work well in the shallow waters. If you are fishing by the points use a crankbait.

Lake Marion is another place to catch largemouth bass. Some trophy bass are in these waters. The spring is the best time to catch a trophy fish. These waters are warm and shallow and the bass are found everywhere it seems. If you want to catch the big fish, you want to use a ten-inch plastic worm because it looks more like a small snake to the bass. In the months of May, April and March you can use the topwater lures. Live bait is another thing to use. The large shiners work the best for hooking a largemouth bass. However this might also catch you the forty or so pound catfish.

Smallmouth bass is found at the Broad River as well as the largemouth bass. You should fish between Gervais and Blossom bridges to catch some smallmouth bass.

The river is a little harder to access because there are only a few places where you can get to the river

from. If you look around the eddies, bridge pilings and boulders, you are going to find some nice size smallmouth bass to hook. Use a spinner that is shiny with eight-pound test line. The smaller lures work the best for smallmouth bass. Look in the deeper waters with slower moving water for the largemouth bass. Use the crankbiat, topwater lures or plastic worms.

Lake Wylie is another good lake for catching bass. You can use crankbaits, nightcrawlers, buzzbaits and spinnerbaits along the shores to catch the bass any time of the year. The largemouth bass do move around the lake, so you will need to know some of the popular areas on the lake where they migrate to throughout the year. The lake has flats, ridges and humps to fish around.

Dan Eggertsen is a fishing researcher and enthusiast who is committed to providing the best bass fishing information possible. Get more information on South Carolina bass fishing here: http://www.askbassfishing.com/editorials/howtocatchbassinsouthcarolina.html

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