



BAHAMAS FLYFISHING

EVA'S BONEFISHING LODGE

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JUNE 4 - 9

- Group size limited to six anglers • Access to the west side of Andros Island for Tarpon
- Close to the Joulters and Mastic Point (*weather permitting*)

Located in Staniard Creek, this relatively new lodge with a rich family bonefishing tradition is the perfect get away for serious bonefish anglers. The quaint, yet newly finished 3 bedroom lodge is located on the eastern side of North Andros. The location provides quick access to some of the most well-known, and productive flats near Fresh Creek and Mastic Point. It also gives you chance to visit the remote and seldom visited areas on the west side of Andros, and the seemingly endless flats of the Joulters.



Trip Dates and Prices: Sunday - Thursday Itinerary

June 4 - 9 (5 nights, 4 days guided fishing)

\$3300 per angler, double occupancy room, 2 anglers per guide

\$6600 per angler, private room and private guide*

***This trip is limited to 1 single angler and private guide**

Single anglers not paying the private room/private boat rate will be paired up to share a room and guide with another single angler in the group. If you don't want to share with another single angler, we recommend you bring a companion.

Included:

- Private round trip transfer from San Andros or Andros Town airports.
- Guided fishing, up to two anglers per boat
- Lodging in air-conditioned suite rooms
- All meals at the lodge and boat lunches
- Non-alcoholic beverages
- Fishing license
- Wireless Internet and use of guest computer
- Local accommodation taxes and fees

Not included:

- Alcoholic beverages (available for purchase)
- Phone calls
- Fishing equipment (limited availability for back up)
- Guide and staff gratuities
- Laundry service
- Items of a personal nature
- Trip cancellation/interruption insurance (available when booking with Orvis Travel)

The Lodge

Eva's is an intimate bonefishing lodge located in the heart of Staniard Creek, North Andros, and is perfect for small groups. The charming lodge has three air conditioned guestrooms, each featuring two queen beds and a full private bath.

The main lodge is appointed with finely crafted wood floors and ceilings to create a feeling of peace and serenity. The lodge's lounge area is popular with guests that like to enjoy a cocktail, socialize, or simply relax and watch TV or read a book after a long day on the water. The lodge also has a fly tying station set up for those anglers who enjoy the challenge of creating their own variations of the popular bonefish patters, or even creating something new from their own imagination.

Each day at Eva's starts with a full breakfast in the lodge's dining room before anglers meet their guide to discuss the plan for the day. By 8:00 AM guests are on the water heading to the flats, which are on average located about 20 minutes from the dock. Guests return to the dock by 4:00 PM each day and have some time to freshen up before happy hour,



followed by a savory dinner of local cuisine including fresh seafood like conch, lobster, or grouper. Desert usually consists of a homemade treat like Key Lime pie.

After dinner most guests will move to the lodge's veranda where they enjoy the cool Bahamian breeze and storytelling with the other anglers, guides and lodge staff.

The intimate setting and small group size allows the staff to focus on providing an exceptional guest experience that's sure to delight.

The Fishing

Andros Island is considered by many to be the bonefishing capital of the world. The lodge owners, management, and guides have a long history of accommodating visiting anglers, and know how to satisfy their guests.

Most of the fishing takes place in shallow water averaging 1-2 feet deep, and although fishing from the front of a flats skiff is productive, the area also provides outstanding opportunities for wading. The primary target is bonefish, but occasionally anglers will see tarpon or permit on the flats as well. Tarpon are seen but more often in the summer months with occasional migratory fish. In addition to the more sought after flats species, the area also boasts an impressive population of barracuda, mutton snapper, jacks, dolphin (Mahi-Mahi), wahoo, tuna and of course sharks.

Andros Island bonefish average 3-5 pounds, and are larger than those found in Belize and other Caribbean nations. On average, they are smaller than those found in the Florida Keys. Fortunately, the fish in this area are generally a lot more cooperative than those in the Keys, so it's a good place for a fly angler that wants to chase them for the first time. Fish in excess of 10 pounds are frequently caught, although anglers should not expect to catch a double digit bonefish. In addition to fly fishing, the guides at Eva's happily cater to those anglers that prefer to fish with spin gear.



Although bonefish are available year around, peak season is generally February through June. Fall is also a popular time to visit Andros, and some of the biggest fish of the season are caught in October through early December. Winter can be good, but there is an elevated risk of inclement weather that could result in slower fishing. Late summer brings warmer water temperatures, which can reduce the numbers of fish seen on the flats.

About Andros Island

Andros is the largest (2300 square miles) and least explored of the many islands in the Bahamas. Most of the major towns on Andros are scattered along its northeastern coast, including Staniard Creek, where Eva's is located. The Andros Barrier Reef, located to the east of the island, stretches 140 miles and is the third largest coral reef in the world. Andros is also known for its freshwater Blue Holes that spring up from deep in the earth providing most of the drinking water for the rest of The Bahamas islands. Besides fabulous fishing, you will enjoy the peaceful relaxation of the swaying palm trees, the lapping of waves, and the graciousness of your Bahamian hosts.

The Weather

The average temperatures in the Bahamas follow familiar patterns. The temperatures peak in August, with an average daily high of 89.3° and low of 73.8°. January is the coolest month of the year with an average daily high of 77.3° and a low of 62.1°.

Rainfall varies throughout the year. The months of November through April experience the lowest rainfall (between 1.6 and 2.2 inches). June and August yield the highest rainfall, between 8.5 and 9.2 inches. May, July, September, and October vary from 4.6 to 6.9 inches per month.

The average humidity of Andros Island hovers around 78% year round - a touch lower in March and April, and a touch higher in September and October.

Getting There

Most guests fly to Nassau and take one of the local commuter flights to either San Andros or Andros Town airports. If you choose this option, you should plan on arriving in Nassau by 1:30 PM to make the regularly scheduled connections. For your departure day you should be able to catch any flight back home that departs Nassau after 10:30 AM. If you would like, Orvis Travel can reserve your seats with one of the local commuter airlines from Nassau to either airport for a \$25 per ticket convenience charge. You will pay approximately \$150 per person cash when you check in for the flight.

Some guests prefer to travel from Fort Lauderdale directly to Andros. Flights are limited, and usually depart Fort Lauderdale early in the morning, often requiring guests to arrive the evening before.

Private charters from Nassau and Ft. Lauderdale are also available, and Orvis Travel will be happy to discuss this option. Chartering can be the most cost effective way if you're traveling with a group of 4 or more anglers. Regardless of the option you choose, a representative of Eva's will meet you upon your arrival at either Andros Town or San Andros and transfer you by car to the lodge. The drive takes approximately 25 minutes and is included in your package. Call or email us at orvistravel@orvis.com us to get more details about travel to Eva's.

Trip Itinerary

Arrival Day

Whether you choose to fly in from Fort Lauderdale or Nassau, you will be met at the airport and transferred to the lodge. The drive will take approximately 25 minutes. Check-in time is 2:00 PM. If you arrive early morning, it may be possible to book a day of fishing on your arrival.

Fishing Days

The day starts early with a traditional breakfast served in the lodge dining room. After breakfast guests meet with their guides and develop a plan for the day. Depending on conditions and angler preferences, anglers may be casting within 10 minutes of leaving the dock. On occasion, the trip to the flats may be longer but seldom takes longer than 50 minutes. After a long day on the water, all boats will plan on getting back to the lodge anytime between 4:00 – 6:00 PM.





Departure Day

Check-out time is 10:00 AM. You will be transferred to the local airport in time to catch your flight back to Fort Lauderdale or Nassau. It may also be possible to visit another lodge after your stay at Eva's Bonefishing Lodge. Orvis Travel has a wide variety of options available in The Bahamas, and we will be happy to make a recommendation and handle the arrangements. We offer the best fly fishing vacation packages at a great value.

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Reservations, Deposits & Payments

The deposit is 25% of the trip price unless stated differently in the itinerary. Deposits may be made by check or credit card: Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover Card.

The balance of the trip cost is due 90 days before departure, except where specified differently on individual itineraries.

A signed reservation form and release are required prior to departure.

All prices must be paid in U.S. dollars.

Deposits are not transferable from one trip to another.

Prices quoted are based on foreign exchange values and tariffs currently in effect and prices are subject to change.

Orvis Travel reserves the right to adjust prices accordingly until the time of departure.

Planning information

When your reservation is confirmed, you will receive planning information to guide you through trip preparations. Details about arrival and departure, clothing and equipment, trip cancellation insurance, pre- and post- trip extensions, visas and documents and activities are included in the planning information.

Cancellation and Refund Policy

If you must cancel your reservation, the following fees apply:

<u>days prior to trip</u>	<u>fee</u>
+ 90 days	\$300 per person
60-90 days	80% of land cost
59 days or less	100% of land cost

Cancellation fees cannot be waived for any reason, including health, business or personal emergencies, or weather.

We strongly urge you to purchase trip cancellation insurance.

No refunds will be made for unused portions of a trip, including late arrival or early departure. Guide fees and hotel costs are not refundable if unused as outlined in the itinerary. Orvis reserves the right to modify an itinerary due to circumstances beyond our control. In the unlikely event that Orvis must cancel a tour, all payments received to date will be refunded, which constitutes a full settlement.

Orvis is not responsible for expenses incurred in preparation of any canceled trip, including airline tickets and visas fees.

Cancellation Insurance

Your planning information includes an application for travel insurance covering cancellation for medical reasons, trip delay, medical expenses, lost baggage and medical evacuation. We urge you to obtain this coverage.

Share policies

Trip prices are based on double occupancy. Single rooms & cabins are limited. If you request a single room, a single supplement will apply as noted in the itinerary. We will confirm the single room as early as possible, but in some cases it may not be earlier than 30 days prior to the trip. If you request a roommate, we can usually pair you with another guest of the same gender, and no single supplement will apply.

If you request a roommate, and one is not available, we will only charge you the single supplement if required by the lodge or facility used in the trip.

Children under 18 must share a room with a parent or other family member. In some cases this may be waived.

Passports and documents

International trips require a passport. Check your passport early and make sure it has six months validity at the time of travel. A visa is needed in some countries and we will send you complete details and instructions.

Arrival and Departure

Group transfers from a central location such as an airport are described in the itinerary, and are included in the land cost.. Transfers are not included in the land cost if you arrive early or leave after the scheduled departure day.

Equipment & clothing

You will receive a detailed list of appropriate gear with your trip planning information.

Airline reservations

The land cost of your trip does not include airfare.

Limitation of liability

This section defines Orvis Travel's responsibility with regard to all travel arrangements made by Orvis Travel, including individual travel and pre- and post- trip extensions. Please read it carefully.

Upon sending your deposit to Orvis Travel, you acknowledge that you have read and understand all the terms and conditions outlined here, and agree to be bound by them.

All trips that involve outdoor sporting activities such as shooting or fishing, or travel through remote places by vehicle, boat, small plane or on foot, put you at risk for accidents and serious injuries in the normal course of the activity. That is the nature of travel to such destinations and you acknowledge that you accept these hazards as a condition of participation.

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Baggage and personal effects, including items purchased, guns, fishing equipment or sporting goods are the sole responsibility of the owners at all times and no employee/agent of Orvis Travel, its subsidiaries, affiliated or associated companies is authorized to accept these for storage, safekeeping, or transportation.