

FISHING THE LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER

A SPORT FISHING GUIDE TO AMERICA'S GREATEST RIVER



AT A GLANCE

ACCESS: "Fishing the Lower Mississippi River: A Sport Fishing Guide" is available free of charge online at www.lmrcc.org. It can be viewed on the website or downloaded for viewing on your desktop, laptop or mobile device.

SCOPE: It covers topics related to fishing freshwater habitats of the Lower Mississippi River main channel, side channels, floodplain lakes and chutes from Cairo, Illinois, to the Gulf of Mexico in Louisiana.



CONTENTS: It tells readers how to catch crappie, catfish, White Bass and other game fish in a variety of river and floodplain habitats. The guide also has important safety and access information and is linked to detailed maps covering more than 950 river miles. The maps show boat ramps, dike fields, public lands and other features.

PRODUCTION: The guide was designed, edited and produced by the Lower Mississippi River Conservation Committee with support from the Walton Family Foundation. Experienced river angler Tommy Shropshire prepared the guide's content, with assistance from a panel of experts from throughout the region.



LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

The Lower Mississippi River Conservation Committee is a coalition of 12 state natural resources conservation and environmental quality agencies in Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee. It provides the only regional forum dedicated to conserving the natural resources of the Mississippi's floodplain and focuses on habitat restoration, long-term conservation planning and nature-based economic development.

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THE GUIDE'S SPECIAL FEATURES

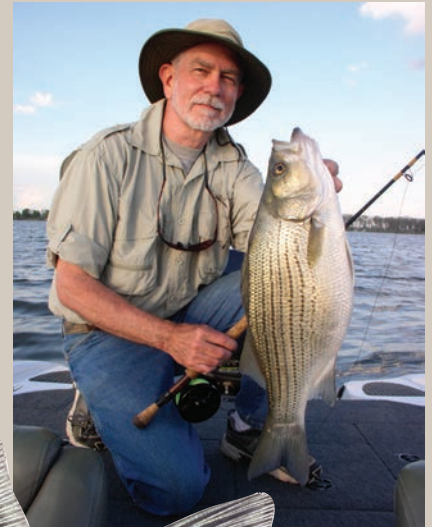
EXPERT ADVICE: Experienced river angler Tommy Shropshire grew up fishing the Mississippi River. His knowledge of how and where to fish the river were invaluable to the preparation of the guide. Tommy assembled experts from the region who helped him compile nearly 100 pages of information.

DETAILED MAPS: The guide contains 38 detailed maps of the Lower Mississippi River. The maps show boat ramps, dike fields, public lands and other features.

FISH ILLUSTRATIONS:

Kansas City artist Joseph R. Tomelleri provided detailed drawings of fish featured in the guide. Tomelleri also provided more than 150 drawings for "Fishes of the Central United States."

SAFETY TIPS: Safety information is a prominent feature of the guide. The Lower Mississippi River is like any other large water body. Practicing safe boating guidelines is paramount. The guide offers a number of safety checklists, and it provides internet links to river stages and fishing regulations.



White Bass, Joseph Tomelleri



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