

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## **Where do you fish or guide in New Mexico?**

I provide fly fishing guide services throughout Northern New Mexico including the areas of Taos, Angel Fire, Red River, Eagle Nest and Cimarron, NM. The rivers include the Cimarron, Red River, Rio Costilla, Rio Grande and more. I do have access to a host of quality private waters on the Cimarron, Pecos, Cow Creek and other private waters and lodges. A number of private lakes are available for guide trips as well.

## **When is a good time to fish New Mexico?**

Northern New Mexico has a broad fishing season that basically ranges from March through December. The rivers we fish in March-April and October-November-December are not the same waters we fish in May, June, July, August and September. Plan your trip with your schedule and interests in mind, I will help match you with what's fishing for the time of year you are visiting New Mexico.

## **Where will we be fishing?**

Where we fish is based upon your interests and time of year you are in New Mexico. If you are coming in June and want to fish the Rio Grande it won't be fishing because of run-off; however the Cimarron historically fishes great in June.

## **When and where do we meet?**

Meeting times and locations are based upon where you fish and where you are staying. In the summer we typically meet 8:00-8:30am. Meeting locations range from local gas stations to fly shops. Example: if you are staying in Taos and fishing the Cimarron we usually meet at the Pine Ridge Gas Station in Ute Park, NM, approx drive time is 1 hour. If you are staying in Red River and fishing the Rio Costilla we would likely meet in Red River, NM or Questa, NM

## **How long is the day?**

We typically meet 8:00-8:30am and most people return 4:30-5:00pm. Half day trips we typically meet 8:00-8:30am and return 12:00-12:30pm. We go at your pace, so times may vary and we'll work around any commitments or set plans you may have.

## **Where can I buy a fishing license?**

Licenses can be purchased throughout New Mexico or online at the New Mexico Game and Fish website. Each person fishing is required to have a valid 1 day, 5 day or annual New Mexico fishing license with a Habitat Access Stamp and possibly Habitat Improvement Stamp (for the Rio Costilla, Red River and Rio Grande).

## **What is included with the trip?**

Day trips include guide, flies for the day, and deli style lunch.

## **What is not included with the trip?**

Trip does not include New Mexico fishing license, equipment, leaders, alcoholic beverages, transportation, private water rod fees.

## **Do you accept credit cards?**

No. Thank you for paying with cash, check or travelers checks.

## **What rods and gear will I need?**

Key items include rod/reel, waders, polarized sunglasses, rain-jacket and NM fishing license. Rods should be matched for water you will be fishing. On the Cimarron, Rio Costilla and Red River I like 8' 4" to 9' 3-4 weights. For the Rio Grande I highly recommend a 9'5 weight rod. Breathable hip waders or breathable chest waders are best. Felt soled wading boots are ideal. Please see equipment list for additional recommended equipment and gear.

## **What are the major airports in New Mexico?**

The major airport in New Mexico is the Albuquerque International Airport (ABQ). Major car rentals are available. Santa Fe, Taos, Angel Fire and Raton have small airports available for private flights. High clearance vehicles are recommended.