

Fishing at Badgers Sett

If fishing is your way of relaxing then Cornwall offers a great variety of opportunities. With a long coast line always within easy reach and many rivers and natural and man made lakes there is something to suit most fishermen. Badgers Sett is ideally located to easily access many of these places with minimal effort.

Sea Fishing

Looe, just 10 miles south of Badgers Sett, is an ideal spot for sea fishing, with Mackerel, Pilchard, Red and Grey Mullet, Pollack, Ling Coalfish, Cod, Sea Bass, Pouting, Wrasse, John Dory, Whiting Gurnard, Squid, Cuttlefish, Dogfish, Conger, Sharks (various species) all being caught in the local waters.

Boat Fishing

The nearest place for boat trips is from Looe. There are a number of boats and boat trips that can be undertaken. Here are a few as a starter:

- Meer-Kat Fishing Trips, 01503 263043, 07866 230368
- Typhoon Fishing Trips 01503 264264610, 07828449614
- Boscastle Fishing (Mackerel Fishing), 07887 875726
- Fishing Cornwall (Shark, Mackerel, Reef & Conger) 07853 391090
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Rock Fishing

If it's Rock fishing that is your sport then this can be found at Whitsand Bay, Rame Head, Gribbon Head and Goran Haven

River Fishing

Badgers Sett is less than 1 mile from Golitha Falls and the River Fowey. Salmon and Trout can be caught here. Contact the Liskeard and District Angling Club for details and day or weekly tickets. Also on the River Fowey, at Lanhydrock & Lostwithiel for salmon and sea trout 1st April to 30th September and other areas 1st April to 15th December. Day & weekly tickets on sale at Rogers Tackle Shop, Bodmin; Tackle Shop, St. Austell; Penhaligons Newsagents, Lostwithiel. Not far away Salmon, Sea Trout and Brown Trout can be caught from the East and West Looe Rivers

For tidal river fishing then the River Fowey at Poluran and the Tamar estuary offer good opportunities.

Lakes: Coarse Fishing

Bake Fishing Lakes, Trerulefoot, Saltash, PL12 5BW. Carp, Trout, Rudd, Roach, Dace and Gudgeon. Specimen Carp lake with Mirror and Common Carp to 25lb, Bream averaging 6lb. and Tench averaging 3lb. This is a premier location of 9 lakes offering a variety of fishing opportunities. Tel : 01752 849027.

Shillamill Lakes, Lanreath, Looe off the B3359 for Common, Mirror, Leather and Ghost Carp, Crucian, Tench, Perch, Roach and Rudd in the four lakes. No close season.

St. Germans-Badham Farm, St Keyne, Liskeard for Carp, Tench, Rudd and Roach in 0.5 acre lake.

Crafthole, Nr Torpoint – 2 acres of excellent Carp fishing. Limited season permits and day permits available.

Mellonwatts Mill Fishery, Pensagillas Farm has a 2 acre pond on main roads from Grampond to Mevagissey. Crucian, Common and Mirror Carp, Tench, Roach, Rudd and Brown Trout. Open all year dawn until dusk.

Milemead Fisheries near Tavistock. Awarded a best fisheries award by Angler's Mail, this consists of 3 lakes, a canal and a canal basin. Tel 01822 610888

Lakes: Fly Fishing

Colliford Lake, 3 miles. Well stocked with Brown Trout 15 march to 12 october. Permits from Jamaica Inn and Colliford Tavern.

Siblyback Lake, 2 miles for trout. Permits and boat hire available from the park center.

Mirage Lake at Bake Lakes (see above) offers fly fishing for Brown Trout.

Beach Fishing

Garfish, Conger, Mackerel, Wrasse and Pollack can all be caught from beaches in the area from Cawsand, Whitsand Bay, Seaton, Donderry, Plaidy Beach and Wallace Beach. For flatfish try Par, Porthpean, Pentewan, Gorran Haven, Penare and Boswinger beaches. Not sure that this counts as beach but the docks at Par provide good jetty fishing, permit needed.

Local Suppliers

Big Fish Little Fish in Fore Street, Liskeard offer a 10% discount to visitors at Badgers Sett (please ask for a voucher). They offer a range of tackle and bait. 01579 349467.

Fishing Mayhem in Plymouth Road, Liskeard also offer bait and tackle. They are located between Morrisons and the town centre. 01579 558 558.

There are also suppliers in Looe and Fowey.