Fishing around the North West Coast
What will I catch from shore?

**Warehou** - use unweighted baits such as raw chicken or prawns on strong tackle as warehou are good fighters.

**Sand flathead** - caught on sandy bottom using baited hooks or soft plastics and a sinker. Tassie’s most caught fish.

**Australian salmon** - taken mid-water by spinning a silver lure or casting a baited hook and sinker. Often caught around river mouths.

**Mullet** - caught over sand or sea grass in bays and estuaries. Taken using a small baited hook fished under a float.

**Wrasse** - caught over reef with a variety of baits and even lures. A fighting fish that dives when hooked.

**Calamari** - taken using squid jigs or baited lures with a jiggling or slow retrieve action over weedy bottom.

Licences

You don’t need a licence for rod and line fishing in marine waters in Tasmania. An Inland Fisheries licence is required for any fishing in inland waters including some river mouths and estuaries.

Licences are required for abalone, rock lobster, scallop, set line (longlines and droplines), graball net, mullet net and beach seine net fishing.


Catch Limits

Size and possession limits apply for most recreational species. Possession limits apply everywhere including your home.

Fishing Rulers

Use a fish measuring ruler to measure your catch. Free rulers are available from Service Tasmania and tackle shops.

More Information

Web: [www.fishing.tas.gov.au](http://www.fishing.tas.gov.au)

Phone app: Download the *Tasmanian Sea Fishing Guide* for iPhone or Android.

Print: Pick up a copy of the *Recreational Sea Fishing Guide* from Service Tasmania and tackle shops.

Fishcare

Fishcare Tasmania promotes sustainable fishing. Ask Fishcare volunteers for advice at a community event near you.

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