

Best Fourth of July Fishing Destinations for 2021

What better way to celebrate the nation's birthday than with a little fishing? Like many presidents before you, you'll get to enjoy a peaceful getaway in nature or practice a little sport and recreation. What's more, many states schedule their annual free fishing days for the Fourth of July, giving you even more of a reason to get out on the water.



There are countless incredible places where you can cast a line in the US. To make choosing easier, we built this list of the best Fourth of July fishing destinations around both exciting angling and great seasonal activities. If you're heading out with a crew with varied interests, it's perfect for you. There's something for everyone – from fishing to music, food, nature, and relaxation.

And, of course, it wouldn't be a proper Fourth of July celebration without fireworks. There's a lot to get through so let's dive in!

Crystal Coast, North Carolina



Featuring 85 miles of gleaming Atlantic beaches and countless destinations to get the best catch of the day, North Carolina's Crystal Coast is the perfect vacation destination for any angler. Fish here and you'll have access to incredible species, both inshore and offshore. Anything from Redfish, Spotted Seatrout, and Striped Bass to Marlin, Tuna, and Sailfish is up for grabs.

What's more, the Fourth of July is a free fishing day in North Carolina! And there's fun to be had off the water, too. This family-friendly destination offers activities for all ages and interests. From swimming and sandcastle building, sea animal exploration at the NC Aquarium, history tours at Fort Macon State Park, and family game competitions at Mac Daddy's – it's the epicenter of Fourth of July fun.