

THE ULTIMATE Guide to Fishing IN COSTA RICA



RULES AND REGULATIONS

IS A FISHING LICENSE REQUIRED?
Yes There are certain areas that you can purchase a license on site others you can't

At Los Suenos and Popagada, you can purchase a 7-day fishing license on site for \$50.

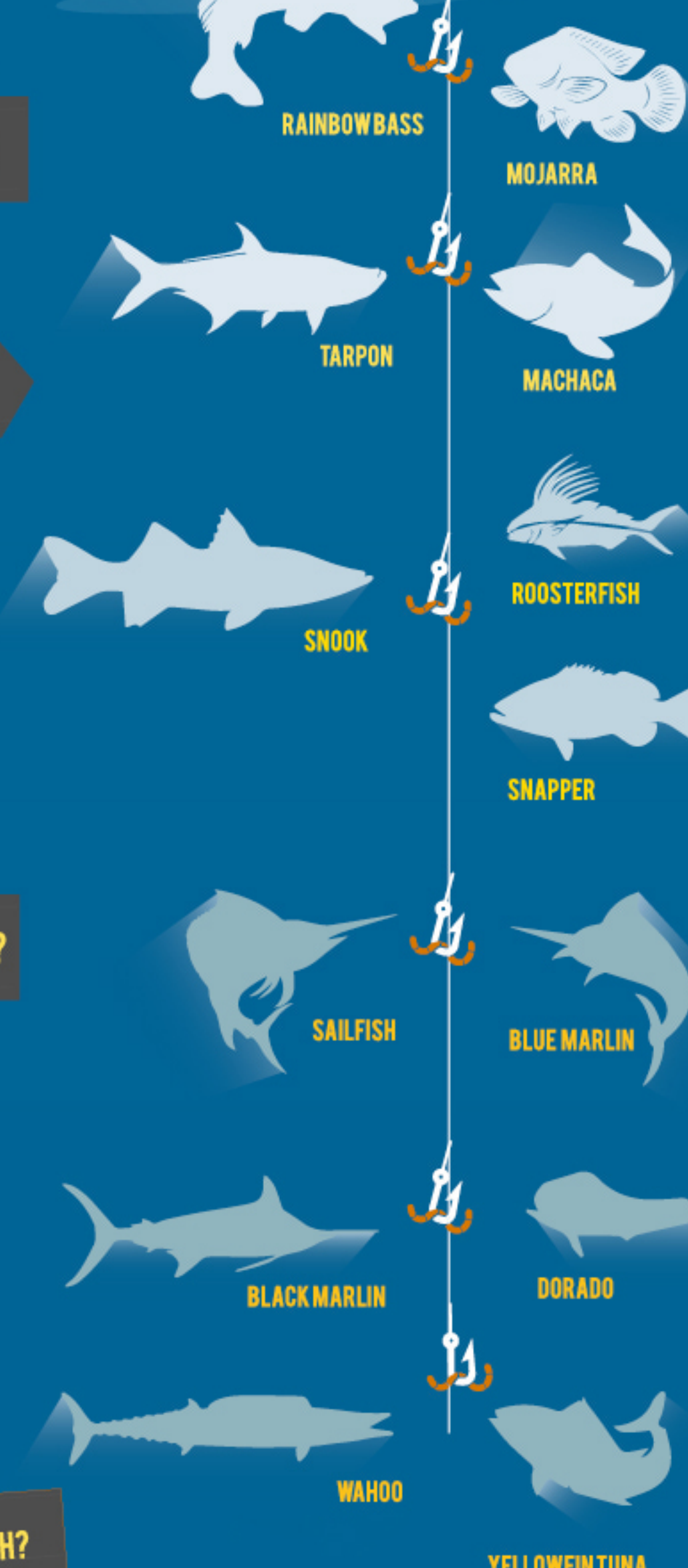
AM I ALLOWED TO KEEP THE FISH I CATCH?

Yes You can keep every fish except
 ✘ Sail fish – catch and release
 ✘ Rooster fish – catch and release BY GOV. REGULATIONS
 ✘ Marlin – Catch and Release

DO I NEED TO BRING MY OWN FISHING SUPPLIES?

No Fishing supplies are provided for you, but some people like to bring their own supplies for fly fishing.

TYPES OF FISH IN COSTA RICA



HOW LONG ARE FISHING HOURS?



FULL DAY CHARTER
7 AM-4PM



HALF DAY CHARTER
7 AM-12PM | 12PM-5PM

WHERE ARE THE BEST AREAS TO FISH?



○ FAIR ◐ GOOD ● EXCELLENT

NORTH PACIFIC NOSARA / TAMARINDO / COCO / PAPAGAYO

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
BLUE MARLIN	○	○	◐	◐	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐
BLACK MARLIN	○	○	◐	◐	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐
SAILFISH	○	◐	◐	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐	○
YELLOWFIN TUNA	○	○	◐	◐	◐	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐
DORADO	○	◐	◐	●	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	○
SNAPPER	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
WAHOO	○	○	◐	◐	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐	○
ROOSTERFISH	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	◐	●	●

CENTRAL PACIFIC MANUEL ANTONIO (QUEPOS) / LOS SUENOS / JACO

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
BLUE MARLIN	●	●	●	◐	●	●	●	◐	○	○	●	●
BLACK MARLIN	●	●	●	◐	◐	●	◐	◐	○	○	●	●
SAILFISH	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐	◐	○	○	◐	●
YELLOWFIN TUNA	●	●	◐	◐	◐	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐	◐
DORADO	●	●	●	●	◐	●	●	◐	◐	○	◐	●
SNAPPER	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	●	●
WAHOO	●	●	◐	◐	◐	●	●	◐	○	○	◐	●
ROOSTERFISH	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	●	●

SOUTH PACIFIC OSA PENINSULA / GOLFITO / DRAKE BAY

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
BLUE MARLIN	●	●	●	◐	◐	●	◐	◐	○	○	●	●
BLACK MARLIN	●	●	●	◐	◐	●	●	◐	○	○	●	●
SAILFISH	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐	◐	○	○	●	●
YELLOWFIN TUNA	●	◐	◐	◐	◐	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐	●
DORADO	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐	○	○	●	●
SNAPPER	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	●	●
WAHOO	●	●	◐	◐	◐	●	●	◐	○	○	◐	●
ROOSTERFISH	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	◐	○	●	●

NORTH CARIBBEAN COAST TORTUGUERO

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
TARPON	◐	●	●	●	●	◐	○	○	●	●	◐	○
SNOOK	◐	●	●	●	●	◐	○	○	●	●	◐	○

LAKE ARENAL

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
RAINBOW BASS	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐	○	○	◐	◐
MACHACA	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐	◐	○	◐	◐
MOJARRA	●	●	●	●	●	◐	◐	◐	○	○	◐	◐



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