



"Fishing is a discipline in the equality of men - for all men are equal before fish."

~ Ernest Hemingway

## Fish Tales

### Wintertime Fishing

Winter fishing is not a lot of people's favorite time of the year to fish, but it happens to be one of my very favorite times to be out on the Gulf with a negative tide and an east wind.

Now if your trip happens to fall on the day after a cold front, it can be tough fishing but definitely not impossible to get your limit. On those days slow your presentation down and if you can get in a ditch or creek on that negative tide, you may only get a 15–20-minute window where they bite but be patient, stay put, they normally will turn back on.

There is always a chance of getting stuck on that negative tide and depending on the wind direction you could be there for a while, so be prepared. These are a few of my go to items. I keep a 10 x 10 tarp which takes up very little room and can be very useful along with hand/body warmers, inexpensive and last a long time in the package and always have extra drinking water. Typically, if you get stuck the only way out is an airboat. So being prepared will make that wait a lot less stressful & keep on fishing!

My favorite bait this time of year is a suspending bait, Lil John, 5' shad assassin, unfair rip n slash and stick minnow. Actually, the best bait to use is the one you're most confident in!



Scallop season will be here before you know it so don't delay in securing a place to stay. The Steinhatchee River Inn and Marina offers wonderful rooms and just might be the great deal for your vacation on the beautiful Gulf Coast.

I still have some open weekends for scallop season, but they won't last long so be sure to give me a call to save your date!

Scallop season starts June 15 through Labor Day.

*Captain Buddy Moorman*  
**My Fishing Buddy Charter's**  
352-812-3318





2.5" short of is all time Personal Best, Captain Tony Mathis brought in this 27" sow. She was released to lay more eggs.



More than a Captain, Buddy Moorman is an avid angler too!



Brian, Marvin and Doug fished with Captain Buddy Moorman; packed the trophy board and thier frig too!



Mike is all smiles after a day fishing with Captain Buddy Moorman. Fish are biting what are you waiting for?



Abraham had never caught a fish before fishing with Captain Buddy Moorman. He hooked 3 right at 24in and a few 22in.



Abraham took the spotlight...and stayed in it! Fishing with Captain Buddy Moorman.



George Bochis had a beautiful day on the gulf. Limit of trout and back on the dock by noon, fishing with Captain Mike Baker.



Mike was all smiles catching this one! Fishing with Captain Buddy Moorman.



Captain Buddy Moorman and Captain Tony Mathis on a two boat half day Redfish trip with the Satterfield group from Jasper, GA. It was Abraham's first fishing trip ever, and of course, he caught the biggest and the most.

Yall come on! The fish are chewing!

[Book with our Captains!](#)



Need a lift? Our boat hoist is open 7 days a week, Max boat size 33 foot.

## Stay & Play Package

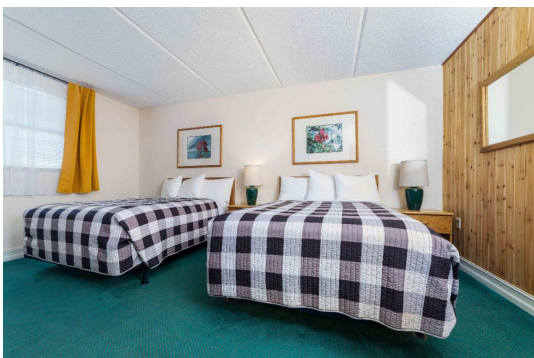
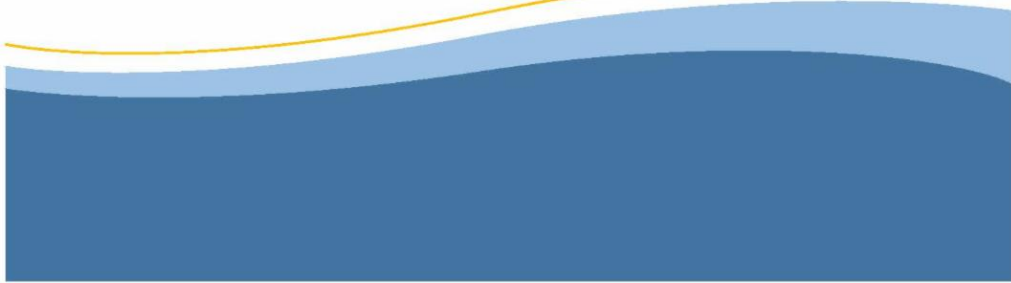
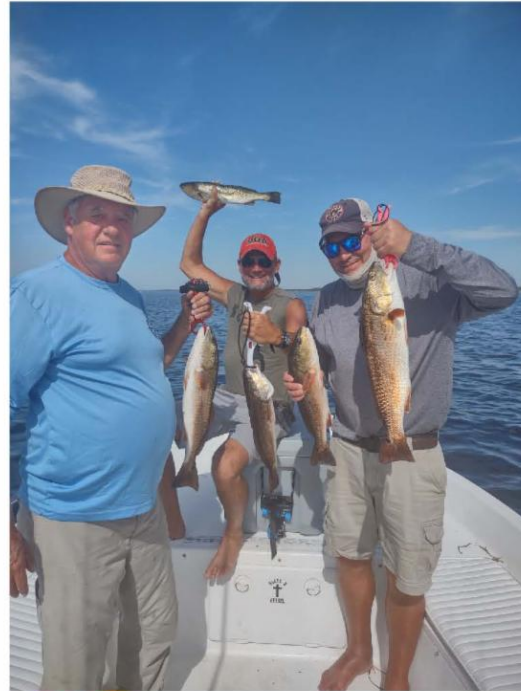
Check us out - then we will check you out - of your room that is! Each Package includes a two night stay and a day of fishing adventure for two people with one of our most experienced Captains. The memories are priceless! What are you waiting for, give us a call 352-498-4049 to book your trip.



## Fishing & Hotel Package for Two

\$800 + tax

Enjoy a two night stay and fishing adventure for two guests with a US Coast Guard licensed Captain from the Steinhatchee flats in the Gulf of Mexico. Package includes two nights of hotel accommodations, a full day fishing excursion, all fishing equipment and bait, local knowledgeable Captain and boat. Have fun fishing for Monster Trout and Redfish.



Clean rooms, comfortable beds and hot showers; some with kitchenettes.



Hot weather is coming - we've got your cool spot!



Easter is not far away! Come shop in the Marina store and fill your basket with goodies for the little and big folks in your life. Puppy not included!



## Community Fishing Tournament

22<sup>nd</sup> Annual

# Steinhatchee Community FISHING TOURNAMENT



**MARCH 18, 2023**

Weigh-in 3:00-4:30 PM  
at Steinhatchee  
Community Center

*Captain's Meeting:*  
Fri. March 17 - 7PM  
Steinhatchee  
Community Center

**Entry: \$40.00/person**

### **REDFISH**

Largest.....\$700  
2nd Largest...\$400  
3rd Largest...\$250  
Most Spots....\$250

**OVER \$3,600  
IN CASH &  
PRIZES!**

### **TROUT**

Largest.....\$700  
2nd Largest...\$400  
3rd Largest...\$250

### **FLOUNDER**

Largest.....\$350

### **SHEEPSHEAD**

Largest.....\$350

**THIS IS A HEAVIEST  
FISH TOURNAMENT**

Raffle immediately following weigh-in & awards.  
Tournament Tickets will be available at local marinas.  
All Anglers on boat must have a ticket.

Sponsored by: The Taylor County Tourism Council &  
The Steinhatchee Community Projects Board, Inc.

[www.SteinhatcheeProjectsBoard.com](http://www.SteinhatcheeProjectsBoard.com)

**Humor Keeps us Going!**





## Directory of Charter Captains

*Reserve a charter for an unforgettable lifetime experience!  
Captains are listed in alphabetical order*



### Captain Mike Baker

Offering a complete guide service for fishing, **Captain Mike Baker**, USCG certified. A full-service charter business for scalloping, trout fishing, red fishing, or whatever you desire. Call (352) 433-6301 or email [captmikebakerfishing@gmail.com](mailto:captmikebakerfishing@gmail.com).



### Captain Donald Campbell

#### **Her Tanning Bed Charters**

If you are interested in Scalloping or Fishing inshore, Captain **Don Campbell** can help you have the adventure you are looking for. Call 352-303-6498.

### Captain Laura Currier

#### **Florida Girl Charters**

A USCG licensed Florida Captain, **Laura Currier** is available for inshore fishing and scalloping charters. Call 813-215-4963.



## Captain Jim Henley

### Fishing With Captain Jim

A USCG licensed Florida flats guide, Captain **Jim Henley** is available for inshore fishing and scalloping charters. He is the only Captain with a 100-ton Master, and holds a tow license. Call 423-330-0101.



## Captain Rick Julius

### Captain J's Charters

USCG licensed, Captain Rick Julius is waiting to take you on the adventure of a lifetime, fishing the flats out of Steinatchee, Florida. Call (352) 745-0968.



## Captain Steve Kroll

### Pepperfish Key Charters

USCG licensed Captain **Steve Kroll** is your host and guide for a great day of near shore and flats fishing on the beautiful Big Bend region. Call 352-222-4085.

## Captain Tony Mathis

### YKnotFish.Com

Fishing charters targeting redfish, trout and scallops in season. Over 40 years' experience fishing the Gulf. Multiple captains available. USCG licensed, Captain **Tony Mathis**. Call 904-545-0433 or email



### Captain Alan Mattox

#### Florida Flats & Bay Charters

Inshore fishing for reds, pinks, blacks, stripes, or anything else in season. Providing excellent scalloping charters, contact Captain Alan Mattox for all your fishing and scalloping experiences. Call 352-682-0645 or email jamattox12@gmail.com.

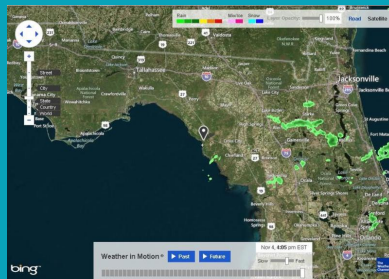
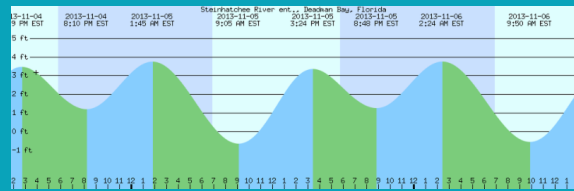


### Captain Buddy Moorman

#### My Fishing Buddy Charters

USCG licensed, Captain **Buddy Moorman** offers inshore fishing and scalloping charters out of Steinhatchee, Florida . Call (352) 812-3318

## Weather & Marine Forecast Center



We are very grateful to live and work in this beautiful part of Florida.  
We hope you will love it as much as we do. God Bless.

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