The entire camp consists of three cozy cabins; two provide accommodations for parties up to six, and one cabin provides space for up to three guests. Two cabins share a sauna, shower and toilets, while a third is appointed with a shower and toilet. Each party is provided with their own well-maintained boat(s), fuel, life jackets and landing net. The camp has full-time electricity.

Your cabin is completely equipped with a kitchen, propane barbecue grill, propane cook stove, pots/pans, dishes and utensils. All bed linens and towels are provided. We recommend you bring some groceries in a cooler as luggage and then purchase your remaining grocery items at the local King Salmon market upon arrival. You’ll then have a cooler to transport your freshly caught frozen salmon home. Guests can also request groceries during their stay and we will be happy to shop for you so you won’t lose any fishing time.

A handy fish cleaning table is set up on the dock with freezers on site to preserve your precious catch. We also offer professional vacuum sealing of your salmon with our commercial Vacmaster. We do have wax fish boxes available to transport your catch home if needed.

Tackle & Gear
Bring your own, or leave it to us, your “resident river masters.” Whether you fly or spin fish, we will outfit you with top quality tackle and Gear. You’ll find our fly and tackle shop affordably stocked with the most common gear as well as offering chest waders and quality G. Loomis rods. Upon securing your reservation, we’ll send you a complete suggested gear and tackle list.

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Spectacular Fishing - Inviting Accommodations

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The Crystal-Clear Naknek offers a bounty of fish which include King Salmon, abundant Sockeye Salmon, Silver Salmon, trophy size wild Rainbow Trout, Arctic Char and Grayling. Even-numbered years also offer Pink Salmon runs. You can access up to 15 miles of fishable waters with your rental boat from your river-front cabin. The river drains out of Naknek Lake, one of Alaska’s largest lakes, and into Bristol Bay. The Naknek starts at the outlet of the lake as a slow moving, deeper body of water from 6 to 10 feet deep. Approaching mid-river, it becomes more fast moving and the bottom becomes gravelly with small pools throughout. In the rapids – just one half mile from your cabin – the river widens and shallows to 1 to 3 feet deep. As the channel braids, there are small islands to wade from for great fishing. This area is also the largest spawning bed on the river which makes trout fishing incredible.

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Depending on the year’s run strength, Silver salmon fishing on the Naknek can be exceptional. Pink Salmon can also be caught on the Naknek from mid-summer through the month of July. These fish can be caught throughout the river during their quick trip up river into Naknek Lake and local tributaries. During their push up the river, these salmon are awesome fighters on a fly rod.

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Un-equaled Alaskan Sport Fishing

Because we practice catch and release with our beautiful, trophy-size Rainbows Trout, there are always plenty of gorgeous Rainbows to be caught. Our Rainbow fishing starts in early June as the salmon smolt migrate out of the river. One of the best places to fish is just above the cabins in the rapids on the fly or spinning. It is not uncommon to see massive Rainbows feeding top water as the schools of smolt migrate through – this is fun just to watch! Throughout the summer months, warm sunny days offer opportunities for dry fly fishing for these beauties. In mid-August, when the salmon move into their spawning areas, so do the Rainbows, feeding on the dropping salmon eggs.

Arctic Char & Grayling are also included in the population of the Naknek. Dry fly fishing can be great for Grayling on this varied river. The Arctic Char are very aggressive in August when the salmon are dropping their eggs. If you would like to spend a day catching huge Grayling or Arctic Char, we can set up a fly-out trip in the local area where you can specialize fishing for these species.

From the cabins down the river remains clear and blue with good holes where King Salmon lie – which is great for drift fishing and backtrolling. There is some tidal influence on this lower river for drift fishing and backtrolling. There is also some tidal influence on this lower river. The Naknek River offers great fishing throughout.

The Naknek River offers great King Salmon fishing. The Kings run on the Naknek from the second week of June to the end of July. Your guide will show you how you can catch these Kings by back-trolling plugs and drifting various spinners.

An average of over one million Sockeye continue to return to the Naknek each summer, making their big push up the river from third week of June through the month of July. These fish can be caught throughout the river during their quick trip up river into Naknek Lake and local tributaries. During their push up the river, these salmon are awesome fighters on a fly rod.

Rainbow Bend is located just six miles up river from the small fishing town of King Salmon where you’ll arrive via a connecting flight from Anchorage. Our shuttle service will have you at Rainbow Bend Lodges after a 20 minute drive where you’ll be given a complete orientation of the camp, your boat and the river. New guests will take a guided fishing trip upon arrival with one of our “resident river masters” – arranging fly-out trips, more guided fishing and help with anything you may need to make your trip a successful one. We pride ourselves on getting guests on the river fishing within two hours of arrival at the airport.