

## PACKING LIST ABACO

THESE ARE FISHING-RELATED ITEMS ONLY. DRESS AT THE LODGE IS INFORMAL, WITH SHORTS, T-SHIRTS AND FLIP-FLOPS NORMALLY WORN IN THE EVENINGS.

RODS	HATS: BASEBALL/WIDE BRIM
REELS/SPOOLS/LINES	NECK BUFF / GAITOR
LINE CLEANER	FISH SHIRTS
LEADERS	FISH SHORTS
FLIES	FISH PANTS
LINE CLIPPERS	LIGHT POLY SWEATER (AM boat rides)
FORCEPS/PLIERS	LIGHT WEIGHT SOX (WADING & SUN PROTECTION)
WATERPROOF BOAT BAG	SUN GLOVES/STRIPPING GUARDS
SMALL FANNY PACK FOR WADING	LIGHT WEIGHT RAIN GEAR (TOP & BOTTOM)
WADING SHOES	PERSONAL FIRST AID KIT
POLARIZED SUN GLASSES/CLEANER	INSECT REPELLANT
SUNSCREEN/LIP BLOCK	CAMERA/CHARGER

FLIES: The guides at Abaco Lodge prefer using #4's and 6's with a few #2 hooks for larger fish. Flies can be ordered ahead of time from Drew Chicone- [www.saltyflytying.com](http://www.saltyflytying.com). 15-20 flies will be plenty to start... we will also be trying flies in the evening to replenish your supply.

10 commonly used flies are:

Kwawn's #2,4,6 McVay Gotcha: #2,4,6 Owen's 90% #2,4,6 Craven's Bonefish Junk #2,4,6 Cowen's Bonefish Scampi #2,4,6 Crazy Charlie: #2,4,6 Meko Special's #2,4,6 Adam's Big Ugly Shrimp #2,4  
EP Spawning Shrimp: #2,4,6 Veverka Shrimp: #2,4,6

RODS: 7, 8 and 9 wt. for bonefish, with a 10 if you want to go for, permit or barracuda, etc. Bring an extra rod for backup if you have one.

REELS: Large arbor saltwater reels loaded with at least 150 yards of micron or gelspun backing. A strong reliable drag is essential and a spare reel or spool is a good idea.

LINES: Weight-forward tropical salt water line. Standard saltwater lines (ie. striper lines, etc) turn into mush in the heat so a tropical line is a must.

A spare line is good to have.

LEADERS: 9'-12' tapered saltwater leaders in 15#-20# test. Fluorocarbon works well (it has the same light refraction quality as water so it is more difficult for the fish to see). But a mono leader with a 3' fluorocarbon tippet will also work, so bring fluorocarbon tippet material in 15# and 20# test.

