



Packing Suggestions: Mango Creek Lodge, Honduras

Most important

- Passport (tourist visa issued on flight)
- Photocopy of passport photo page
- Airline ticket
- Pen (for filling out customs forms)
- Cash/travelers checks (credit cards are accepted).
- Insurance: Accident; medical; baggage and cancellation
- Inoculations and other medications (not mandatory, but may be recommended by your local health clinic.)

Clothing

- Rain suit (lightweight)
- Shirts for fishing (3)
- Tropical-weight pants for fishing (2)
- Casual pants (2)
- Casual shirts (2)
- Shorts (2)
- Tennis shoes/boat shoes or Teva-type sandals
- T-shirts (3)
- Underwear, pajamas
- Socks, sweat socks
- Bathing suit
- Fishing cap or wide brim hat

Other

- Polarized sunglasses
- Sunscreen / lip balm
- Toiletries, personal medications
- Camera
- Aloe vera gel for sunburn
- Pepto Bismol (tablets)
- Insect repellent (approx 55% DEET)
- Ear plugs (to cope with snoring roommates)
- Electrical tape / duct tape

Tipping Guidelines

Tipping should be used to incentive and reward good service. The following guidelines are just the lodge's suggestions and should not be construed as a definitive "rule."

Guide: \$100 per angler per week

Lodge staff: \$100 (shared among all staff) per week

For Tarpon:

- 7' fiberglass saltwater casting or spinning rod of medium action.
- Casting or spinning reel capable of holding and casting 200 yards of 20-pound test. A perfect casting reel would be Abu Garcia 7000 or 6500 C:
- 20-pound Berkley Big Game or Stren High Impact line

Lures:

- Live sardines
- 2 oz. Coastal Hawks and Sea Hawks (Varied colors with red, black and white)
- 1- 1/2 to 2 oz. bucktail butterbean jigs: white, yellow bucktail jigs: white, yellow
- Large Rapalas (floating)
- Super Zara spook: red/white and mullet
- Saltwater Rapala: Fire Tiger
- Yo-Zuri Crystal Minnow: black and silver
- Rat-L-Trap Mag: blue and silver, yellow
- Mirror Lure 52m: red and white, yellow, black and silver

For Bonefish:

- 6-7 foot rod with a 6-15 pound line rating
- 4500SS Penn or equivalent (should hold at least 250 yards of line)
- 6-10# test

Lures:

- Small jigs (1/16-1/8 ounce) Small hooks (#1s and #2s) baited with plastic jig tails (wobble jigs work well especially with small dead shrimp attached) : light tan, pink, yellow, olive, and white

For Permit:

- 6-7 foot rods
- Mono 60# to 80# 100# for Barracuda: 6" to 18" wire, 30 to 50 lb test

Lures:

- Live crab is the best bait although some are caught on the flats with jigs.
- Owner MUTU hooks 1, and 1/0 or Gamakatsu Octopus hooks 1, and 1/0

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