What Can I Catch?

**Golden Perch (Yellowbelly)**
- **Distribution:** Prefers warm slow moving turbid sections of streams but also found in flooded backwaters and stocked impoundments.
- **Size:** Common length - 400mm, maximum length - 75cm. Up to 2.9kg.
- **Tips:** Prefers warm slow moving turbid sections of streams but also found in flooded backwaters and stocked impoundments.

**Silver Perch**
- **Distribution:** A medium to large sized fish with a deep, laterally compressed body. The body colour is grey to grey-brown with a lighter belly. The mouth is large with the lower jaw protruding slightly. The tail is rounded.
- **Size:** Common length - 40cm, maximum length - 75cm. Up to 1.9kg.
- **Tips:** The species is an opportunistic carnivore. The natural diet of an adult fish consists mainly of shrimp, yabbies, small fish and benthic aquatic insect larvae. Juvenile fish consume more of the smaller items such as aquatic larvae and micro crustaceans. They seem to like shrimp but booted gently up and down amongst logs. Small deep diving lures are also a popular catching method. They are most active at dawn or dusk in rising water. Highly attracted to slow moving impoundments.

**Murray Cod**
- **Distribution:** Prefers habitats with instream cover such as rocks, stumps, fallen timber. A ‘sit and wait’ predator, its preferred areas of low flow, resides around undercut banks and fallen timber.
- **Size:** Common length - 65cm, maximum length - 180cm. Up to 113.6kg.
- **Tips:** Generally associated with deep holes in rivers, the Murray Cod prefers habitats with instream cover such as rocks, stumps, fallen trees or undercut banks. A ‘sit and wait’ predator, its preferred areas of low flow, resides around undercut banks and fallen timber. A ‘sit and wait’ predator, its preferred areas of low flow, resides around undercut banks and fallen timber.

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**Freshwater Catfish (Eel-tailed Catfish, Jewfish)**
- **Distribution:** Often found on sand or gravel bottoms in slow moving streams, or in impoundments.
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**Spangled Perch**
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- **Size:** Common length - 15cm, maximum length - 33cm. Up to 0.9kg.
- **Tips:** The Spangled Perch feeds mainly during daylight hours and is primarily a carnivore, although it consumes some plant material. Aquatic insects, shrimps, prawns, micro crustaceans and fish are important components of their natural diet. The perch can be very abundant, especially after flooding.

Make it Legal

Remember to abide with the regulations regarding licensing, weight and bag limits and restricted seasons, and restricted locations for fishing in both Queensland and New South Wales when in our region.

**Queensland**
- Ph: 13 13 25

**New South Wales**
- Ph: 1300 550 474
- [dpsr.newavonshalfishing/recreational](http://dpsr.newavonshalfishing/recreational)

**As a Courtesy**

Please leave all gates as you find them. Please take all rubbish with you if bins are not provided.

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Fishing Guide

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Fishing

The Goondiwindi region is a fishing haven, with a wide variety of fishing for you to enjoy from the clear, rocky upper reaches of the Dumaresq River, to the muddy waters of the lower Macintyre River, creeks, lagoons and Coolmunda Dam. You will have plenty of options to weigh up. Picturesque public and private areas for camping abound, so come for a weekend or come for a week, you won’t be disappointed.

Where can’t I fish?

Closed Waters

The following areas do not permit fishing:

- Dumaresq River: from Bonshaw Weir to 100m downstream of Bonshaw Weir
- Macintyre Brook: from 100m upstream to 200m downstream of Coolmunda Dam spillway wall, Whetstone Weir and Ben Dor Weir
- Macintyre River: from 100m upstream to 150m downstream of Goondiwindi Weir

Where can I put the boat in?

Boat Ramps

All with toilets, drinking water, adjacent picnic areas, and rubbish bins.

- Goondiwindi: Multiple ramps across the region
- Coolmunda Dam: Ramp east of Goondiwindi
- Inglewood: Ramp west of Goondiwindi

There are also spots at Goondiwindi Town Common, Rainbow Reserve, Yellowbank Reserve, Less Reserve, Bengalla Reserve and Keetah Border Crossing where a boat can be launched from the Rivers edge.

Where to Stock Up?

Bait and fishing equipment

Numerous Service Stations across the region stock ice, and from time to time bait. Just drop in and ask.

- Goondiwindi: Gundy Sports Centre, Gundy Guns and Outdoor Supplies
- Inglewood: Roadhouse (Service Station)

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- Toowoomba: Toowoomba Fishing Supplies
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