Fishing in Monroe County, TN

Monroe County, TN has some of the best fishing spots in East TN. People come from all over the United States for trout and bass fishing since our lakes and rivers have over fifty different species of fish. Once they get here, their fishing trip becomes so much more with other outdoor activities such as popular hiking trails, the Cherohala Skyway, and several sightseeing opportunities, Monroe County, TN has become a great destination for Tennessee summer trips or just spending time with family out on the lake.

Call the Ranger Station at (423) 253-8400 or visit them at 250 Ranger Station Rd, Tellico Plains for more information before you plan your journey.

Tellico River

Nationally recognized as a premier trout stream, the Tellico River is a free stream located within the heart of the Cherokee National Forest. Its headwaters begin in North Carolina and flow for almost twenty miles to Tellico Plains. The main stream of the river is heavily stocked by the state and requires a special permit to fish.

Tellico Lake

Fishing is a big sport on Tellico Lake, located in Vonore, TN, with fifty-one different species of fish being found swimming in the pristine waters. Some of the most popular sport fish include largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, spotted bass, striped bass, bluegill, black crappie, white crappie, rainbow trout, and many more.

Citico Creek

For the outdoorsman who enjoys getting off of the beaten trail, Citico Creek is a great trout stream that is stocked weekly by the state.

Tellico's Tributaries

Often forgotten is the outstanding wild trout fishing that Tellico's tributaries provide. The North and Bald rivers, two of Tellico's largest feeders, both are managed strictly as wild trout waters. Both streams contain a blend of wild rainbow and brown trout, plus brookies in their upper ends.

Indian Boundary Lake

This 96-acre lake features largemouth bass, catfish, bluegill, and crappie fishing. The lake offers a boat launch for trolling, and a fishing pier that is easily accessible.

Green Cove Pond

Green Cove offers 5 acres of still water fishing specifically set aside for the people with disabilities, children under 12, and adults over 65. This small lake is stocked to the brim weekly with brown and rainbow trout.

For guided adventures, we recommend checking out Tellico Outfitters.