



# Your Guide to Fishing in Warrnambool

FISH SPECIES	BEST SPOTS	EXCELLENT	VERY GOOD	GOOD	TIME	BAIT	RIG
Snapper	SURF: Logans Beach ROCK: Close in reefs BOAT: Out from Warrnambool	Jan – Mar Jan – Mar Dec – Mar	Apr, Nov, Dec Apr, Nov	Apr, Nov, Dec	Morning & evening	Octopus, squid, fish fillet, blue bait, pilchard	Single hook above sinker.
Salmon	BOAT: off shoe reef; Levy's	June – Aug		Apr, May, Sept	Morning & evening	Whitebait, blue bait	Double hook, one above and one below sinker.
Mulloway	SURF: Hopkins Mouth	Jan – Feb	Dec	Mar, Apr, Nov	Late afternoon & night	Octopus, fish fillet, live mullet, spew worms, clickers	Single running hook.
	RIVER: Hopkins River	Jan – Mar	April	Dec	Morning, evening & night		Live bait trolled or anchored, no weight.
Bream	RIVER: Hopkins and Merri	Nov – Mar	Apr, May, July – Oct	June	Morning, evening, during day	Clickers, worms, shells, shrimp	Running sinker of no sinker.
Mullet	RIVER: Hopkins	Jan, Feb, May - July	Mar, Apr, Aug – Dec		During day on rising tide	Worms	Two hooks under a float or slowly trolled.
Brown Trout	RIVER: Merri, Upper Hopkins, Lake Gilliear	..... ...	..All year round..	.....	Evening or morning	Worms, shrimps, lures, mud eye	Single hook under float or no sinker. Alternative spin retrieve.
Whiting	BOAT/BEACH: Killarney	Dec – Mar	Nov	Apr, May	Evening or night	Squid, cockles, spew worms	Double hook or single, running sinker.
Yellow Tail Kingfish	SURF/BOAT: Warrnambool & Killarney	Dec – Feb	Mar	Nov	Early morning & daytime	Squid, gars, lures	Single hook for bait
Blue Fin Tuna	BOAT: Warrnambool & Killarney	April – June			Daytime	Trolled lures	Single hook in lure.
Sweep	ROCKS: Warrnambool to Port Campbell	Dec – March	April, May	June – Nov	Daytime	Cray tail, cockles, prawn	Two hooks, one below sinker.
Garfish	ROCKS/PIERS: All along coast in small bays	Dec – Feb	March, Nov	April – June, Oct	Daytime	Sandworm, sand fleas, Cray tail	Two hooks, below float or slowly trawled.

Pike	BOAT: Warrnambool		Dec – March, July – Aug	April – June, Sept – Nov	Daytime	Lures, blue bait	Lure trolled deep with paravene near reef.
Barracouta	BOAT/PIER: Out from Warrnambool	April, May	March	Feb, June	Daytime	Lures, pilchard	Trolled lure on cord or wire trace.
Red fin	LAKES: Lake Winslow, Lake Pertobe	Feb, March, Dec	Jan, April, Oct, Nov	May	Daytime	Minnows, worms, lures	Jigged lures or slowly trolled bait.
Trevally	PIER/BOAT: Breakwater	Aug, Sept	July, Oct	Jan, Feb, Nov	Anytime	Prawn, worms, Cray tail	Double hook similar to whiting and sweep.
Estuary Perch	RIVER: Hopkins	Jan, May, June	Feb – April, July, Nov, Dec		Evening or during night	Shrimp, lures	Single hook float or no sinker. Fast spun lure.
Gummy Shark	SURF: Logans Beach BOAT: Out from Warrnambool	Oct, Nov	Dec – March	June, July	Evening	Fish fillet	Single hook with wire trace.
School Shark	SURF/BOAT: As above	June, July	May	Aug – Oct, April	As above.	Fish fillet	As above.

## ***FISHING LICENCE***

All fishers, fresh and sea, need licences, even for collecting bait.  
Licence must be carried and produced on demand.

\$22 for 1 year  
\$11 for 28 days

\$5.50 for 48 hours  
Under 18, seniors and carers free

Licences are available from the following:

- De Grandi's Sportsgoods, 180 Timor Street
- Warrnambool Cycles & Fishing Plus, 101 Liebig Street
- K-mart, 150 Raglan Parade
- Henna Street Milk bar, 83 Henna Street
- Apco Self Serve, 485 Raglan Parade
- Hopkins River Caravan Park, 125 Jubilee Park Road
- Hopkins River Milk bar, 8 Hopkins Road
- Warrnambool Holiday Park, Cnr Raglan Parade & Simpson Street
- Warrnambool Disposals Camping & Outdoor, 85-87 Liebig Street
- Ray's Outdoors, Raglan Parade
- Hooked on Rods 'n' Reels, 811 Raglan Parade