

2018 Kari House - Christmas Island Itinerary

Trip Dates: May 29th - June 5th, 2018 – 6 Full Days of Fishing Cost: \$2950 per angler

*2:1 Guide to Angler Ratio Standard *1:1 Guide Ratio Available for Additional \$150 per day (we recommend a 1:1 ratio for the first 2 days of the trip for trip total of \$3250 per angler. *Bluewater Fishing Available for No Additional Cost

General Itinerary and Details

May 28th – Arrive in Honolulu, Hawaii – Stay overnight. (*The group host will communicate regarding the selection of a common hotel for the group, and anglers are responsible for their own accommodations in Honolulu including ground transportation and meals).

May 29th am – Depart Honolulu YOU MUST BE AT THE HONOLULU AIRPORT 3 HOURS BEFORE DEPARTURE.

May 29th pm – Land on Christmas Island, we will get picked up by the lodge staff. Arrive at the lodge, get oriented, set up rods, and get ready to fish the next day!

May 30th – June 4th - Fish all day, every day!

June 5th (Your flight will be listed as "June 6th" because of the International Date Line – Depart Christmas Island at 7:00 am, fly back to Honolulu, then head home. Leave yourself a 2-hour layover. 1:50 minutes is tight but doable.

Fiji Air Itinerary Details *this is the ONLY flight per week that goes to/from Honolulu to

Christmas Island (Kiritimati).

May 29th – Fiji Airways Flight #FJ822 June 5th - (Technically a June 6th departure from Kiritimati) FJ#823

General Notes:

- There is no communications at the lodge, no phone or Wi-Fi.
- Beer/wine is available for purchase at the lodge. \$4 per beer
- The host will have backup rods, leaders, etc. Guests need to have their own base supply of flies and tackle.
- Tips are \$30-\$40 per angler per day to their guide, \$5 per day for the "boatman"
- Tips for Housekeepers, Bar Staff, and Kitchen Staff will be discussed while at the lodge
- Food allergies or dietary restrictions can be addressed upon arrival at the lodge.
- You will need to buy a Fishing License at check in, it is about \$50
- American currency is perfect, small bills.

Payment and Deposit Policies

A 50% deposit is due within 10 days of the reservation. We accept checks, PayPal, and credit cards. A 3% processing fee is added to deposits and payments made by credit card. Final payments are due 60 days from the departure date. For all trips scheduled less than 60 days out, full payment is required upon reservation. We recommend purchasing trip insurance and a medical evacuation policy for these trips.

For all Reds Fly Shop travel adventures, both deposits and final payments are non-refundable unless a client is replaced. i.e. you (or we) can find someone to take your spot. Both your deposit and final payment can be transferred to another client for the same trip. Red's Fly Shop reserves the right to apply a \$100 processing fee for itinerary changes.

Buying Gear

We want to help outfit you for this trip, our shop is second to none in product selection and value. We offer a 10% discount on all travel related purchases for this trip. Just give us a list of what you need and a credit card number and our team will take care of the rest!

Christmas Island Fly List

It is impossible to have everything, but we want you well prepared. This list is a good guideline for what you will need for your Christmas Island trip. We put together this assortment and utilize various colors of baitfish, so our assortments that you buy from Red's might look slightly different from time to time depending on what we have in stock. Rest assured that you will be well prepared with these flies in your box!

3 Dozen Assorted Bonefish Flies

Christmas Island Special Orange – Lead Eyes Size 4

Christmas Island Special Orange – Lead Eyes Size 6 Christmas Island Special Orange – Chain Eyes Size 8 Christmas Island Special Pink – Size 4 Christmas Island Special Pink – Size 6 Christmas Island Specials Pearl – Size 4 Christmas Island Specials Pearl – Size 6 Christmas Island Worm - Size 6

5 Assorted Giant Trevally Flies

Enrico Puglisi Mullet 6/0 (also can be used trolling in blue water)
Enrico Puglisi Baitfish 3/0
Enrico Puglisi Baitfish 4/0

7 Blue Fin Trevally/Smaller GT's

4 Enrico Puglisi Perfect Minnows – Assorted Colors 2/0 2 Deceivers Assorted Colors (with good eyes) – 2/0 3 Crystal Poppers

Misc. Flies

2 White Clouser Minnows 1/02 Legrow's Crabs Size 4 (great for shots at Golden Trevally)

Your General Packing List for Christmas Island

There are some general overlaps in these two lists, so shoot the gap in the middle and do your best to fill this out. If I left something out and you forgot it, that's your fault haha! Our job is to make sure that every angler joining a "Red's Trip" is well prepared, comfortable, and relaxed. Being overpacked can be as annoying as being underpacked so here is your general guideline. Deviate as you see fit. *All the lodges will do laundry for you at least once or twice during the week for a fee, on our last trip \$20 took care of you for the entire week!

The Packing List - Checklist

EVERYTHING on the "Fishing List" there are some duplicates below

- Sunscreen
- 6 Bonefish Leaders
- □ Flurocarbon Tippet 10, 12, 15, 20, 40, 60, 100 pound tippet
- Headlamp (there is often power outages at night, also nice for reading or beach walks after dark)
- Insect Repellent
- 2 Sets of Polarized Sunglasses (Amber and Copper or Brown to change out based on lighting)
- □ Flats Fishing Boots
- Neoprene Socks

- □ Poly Liner Socks (you cannot afford to get blisters)
- Flip flops
- 3 Fishing Shirts
- 3 Fishing Pants
- Pajamas, it will creep your room mate out if you sleep naked
- 2 casual outfits
- □ 2 Buffs for UV Protection over your face
- Passport –leave photocopies in your checked bag, carry on, and at home with a loved one
- Photocopies of your flight information in both your checked bag, and carry on
- □ Camera, charge cords, and extra batteries if necessary
- Packable Rain Jacket (also nice to wear to/from the airport if you are flying out of Seattle... like me)
- Ear plugs (in case your bunkmate is sawing logs)
- □ Tylenol PM (I have a tough time sleeping the first couple nights I am so excited!)
- \$1000 cash for gratuities, bar tab, misc. \$500 USD, and \$500 Australian Dollars recommended.
- □ Waterproof Backpack or Hippack for fishing
- □ Toiletries and personal effects
- Extra 12 Weight Fly Line
- 8 Weight Rod/Reel and Tropical Floating Line
- □ 10 Weight Rod/Reel and Tropical Floating Line
- □ 12 Weight Rod/Reel and Tropical Floating Line
- Reading material
- Booze or wine from Duty Free (not much available on Christmas Island!)
- Extra Hat
- □ Small roll of tape and few zip ties for unforeseen repairs
- Pre-moistened lens cloths
- 48 Flies (see our fly list which will separate)
- □ Ipod or MP3 Player w/ docking station for music (someone needs to bring tunes for the evenings)

Checklist - Inside Your Flats Pack While on the Water

- □ Small container of sunscreen
- □ Simms Guide Gloves (for sun and gripping fish!)
- 10, 12, 15, 20, 40, 60, 100 pound tippet (approximate strengths)
- □ 6 Bonefish Leaders, 10' 12 lb. test
- Quality Hemostats
- Nippers

- □ Small Pocket Knife
- □ Saltwater Pliers (they need to be strong enough to cut a hook if necessary)
- Lens cloth
- □ Toilet paper (also used for constantly wiping saltwater off glasses)
- Extra Sunglasses (Amber and Copper or Brown)
- □ Small first aid kit, including Advil J
- □ Tape for your stripping fingers (ESSENTIAL!)
- □ Fly Box (keep extra flies back at the lodge)
- □ Camera (waterproof much preferred)
- □ Waterproof Camera Bag I personally attach the Simms Dry Creek Waterproof Camera bag to the outside of my pack to make it super accessible for my guide
- SPF Lip Balm
- □ Snack bar (bring these with you to Christmas Island)
- Bottle of water (available in all boat coolers right when you step off the boat)
- 2 Tiny Zip Ties
- Packable Rain Jacket
- □ Super Glue (keep in your first aid kit)
- Buff (on your face, but bring at least one extra on the trip)
- Dry hand towel or rag from your room every day (used to wipe your hands before handling your camera or drying off it off after a big ol' fish splashes it!) This is a good tip, saltwater near the equator is super annoying