

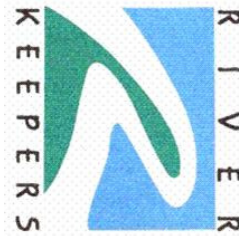
River Keepers

River Keepers is a non-profit organization with a mission to “Advocate sustainable use of the Red River of the North”. River Keepers is involved in many activities, from youth water education to riparian restoration. For more information on River Keepers and its programs visit www.riverkeepers.org.

Some of its fishing-related activities include:

- ◆ fishing clinics
 - ◆ an annual youth fishing derby
 - ◆ periodic adult fishing classes
- and
- ◆ small group **Catfishing Experiences**.

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Catfishing Experiences on the Red River of the North



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The Red River and its tributaries are home to some of the best fishing in the Midwest. With over 70 species of fish the Red River has been featured on several syndicated televised fishing shows. Its catfishing has been called “world class” by many nationally renowned fishing professionals.

River Keepers wants to expose more anglers to catching Channel catfish. In the Fargo-Moorhead reach of the Red, weights of these fish can be as high as 20 plus pounds. Catches of 3 to 10 pounds are very common.

One of River Keepers' **Catfishing Experience** Leaders is Jay Leitch. Jay is licensed by the U.S. Coast Guard as a Merchant Marine Master allowing him to guide on the Red River. Jay also occasionally captains the S.S. Ruby, River Keepers tour boat. Jay has fished and hunted around the world, but in semi-retirement he has chosen to live on the banks of the Red and fish in his own backyard! Jay is a long time supporter of the Red and River Keepers.

River Keepers Catfishing Experiences:

- ◆ 4 to 6 hour trips.
- ◆ All equipment, boat, rods, PFDs and bait are furnished. We use an 18 foot flat bottom boat. Lots of room and very stable.
- ◆ Bring your own snacks, beverages and, most importantly, a camera.
- ◆ Bring a Minnesota or North Dakota fishing license (no license required if under 16).
- ◆ Dress for the weather- we usually fish rain or shine
- ◆ Wearing of PFDs is mandatory.
- ◆ We support “catch and release”. We take pictures of the **big** ones and release the rest, except for a few eaters if you want to take a meal home.
- ◆ In order to maintain a quality experience, we limit participation to 2 plus the **Catfishing Experiences** Leader.
- ◆ Our **Catfishing Experiences** leader will pick the reach of the Red to fish based upon local conditions and recent patterns of success, usually a reach within or close to city limits.

All revenues from River Keepers' fishing experiences are used to support projects that benefit the Red River and its fishery.

Cost:

- ◆ \$150 for 1 person
- ◆ \$225 for 2 (if the 2nd person is under 16, \$190)

Reservations are required.

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