

## Tuross & Coila Lakes

Tuross Lake and Coila Lake are known far and wide for their spectacular fishing and prawning. Both lakes have offered family fishing holidays since the 1920's.

Think of a fish you'd like to eat, or one that'll give you a really good fight, and there's a good chance you'll be able catch it around here. Best of all they're easy to get to, either on foot, in your own tinnie or out with a professional.

Tuross Head locals pride themselves on catch and release of the larger breeding fish which means there is a good chance you can net yourself a 92cm flathead.

Whether you're after some serious fishing or just a bucketful for the BBQ our Boatshed and Service Station can help you with advice, or with booking a fishing experience with one of our professional fishing guides.

### Launch Points

#### Tuross Lake

The main ramp is at Lavender Bay near the river mouth and the second is along side the Tuross Bridge on the Princes Highway 6km south of the Tuross Head turnoff. This boat ramp is mainly used to access the estuaries to the west of the Tuross Bridge.

#### Coila Lake

There are two boat ramps that provide access to Coila Lake. The first is at the Kyla Sporting Complex on your left as you enter Tuross Head and the second is at the end of Foam Street.

**Fishing licenses are available at**  
**Tuross Service Station**  
**Tuross Boatshed & Cafe**  
**Tuross Newsagency**

## The Tuross Head Country Club Fishing Club



Our local Tuross Head Fishing Club aims to provide a relaxed environment for members of all ages to fish and socialise.

We welcome members of all walks of life and especially love to see our junior members wet a line!

Our monthly competitions are followed by a free BBQ with raffles and giveaways, well worth a trip from Canberra or beyond.

It's a great chance for everyone to get together and take advantage of all that Tuross Head fishing has to offer.

<http://www.turossheadfishingclub.org>

### What can you catch?

Pack a copy of the NSW Recreational Saltwater and Freshwater Fishing Guides in your tackle box or backpack. They have information about legal lengths and bag limits and lots of other useful information. Copies are available online at [www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries).

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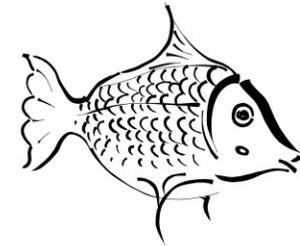
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*Tuross Head—perfect holidays since 1924*

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# Tuross Head Fishing Guide

## Map & Guide to Tuross & Coila Lakes



Our jetties & river banks are perfect for learning to fish and for fun times with the kids. For a bit more action pick a beach and take your surf rod.



Tuross info

# Tuross Fishing Spots

1. Bream, Flathead, Prawns.
2. Bream, Flathead.
3. Bream, Flathead, Blackfish.
4. Bream.
5. Flathead, Bream, Blackfish, Whiting.
6. Garfish.
7. Flathead, Jewfish, Blackfish.
8. Flathead, Tailer, Blackfish.
9. Flathead.
10. Bream, Flathead.
11. Bream, Flathead, Blackfish.
12. Bass.



## Fishing rules to remember

You are required by law to pay the NSW Recreational Fishing Fee and carry a receipt showing the payment of the fee when fishing in NSW waters - both freshwater and saltwater.

This applies when spear fishing, hand lining, hand gathering, trapping, bait collecting and prawn netting or when in possession of fishing gear in, on or adjacent to waters.

You can pay for your fishing license at Tuross Service Station and at Tuross Boatshed and Café or buy online at [www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries) or by calling 1300 369 365.

## Catch and release with care

To allow easy release of unwanted fish, please de-barb your hooks by squashing the barb with pliers. When bait fishing for table species use circle hooks to achieve mouth hook-ups and hence easy release. If you do hook a fish deep, cut the line close to the fish's mouth.

If you plan to release a fish, wet your hands before handling it, minimise the time it is out of the water, use knotless landing nets, and support a big fish under the belly rather than lifting it by the jaw alone.

Numerous studies have shown that most fish are very tough and handle catch and release very well but looking after them as described above will help avoid unnecessary fish casualties.

Last but not least follow this rule: If in doubt don't handle the fish - cut the line as close as is safely possible and let it back out.