

Enjoy some fishing fun in the sun in Paphos

Anglers from all over the world have come to Cyprus to enjoy the unique fishing experience that Paphos and other areas offer, with stunning scenery giving way to the expansive, bright blue waters of the freshwater reservoirs. Cyprus has twenty reservoirs open to freshwater anglers, six of which lie just north of Paphos and are stocked with an array of freshwater fish including trout, largemouth bass, carp and pikeperch.

For travellers visiting Paphos to enjoy the fishing, it is important to remember that sport fishing in the dams and reservoirs of Cyprus is regulated by the government and, therefore, a license is required from the offices of the Department of Fisheries and Marine Research, but these can be obtained for a small fee. These licences are valid for a year but cannot be shared or loaned out.

These fishing licenses require that holders adhere to several regulations, including only fishing during daylight hours, only fishing with a single rod, line and hook without any fishing aids or chemicals and only fishing from the banks of dams, and being careful to protect the bank side soil and plant environment. There are also catch and size limits on certain species as well, with fishing forbidden until the reservoir you've chosen has been declared open by the Director of Fisheries and Marine Research.

There are various ways to make sure you make the most out of your fishing trip to Paphos. One of the most popular trips with foreign tourists is a guided angling day, whereby angling enthusiasts are picked up at their hotel, provided with tackle and bait, and then driven to the best fishing spots in the area. Each fishing trip is accompanied by a local angler and the fees, including the license, can all be pre-paid, leaving you to enjoy the fishing.

Of course, fishing trips in Paphos don't have to be guided. If the more independent and adventurous anglers go with the option of [car hire in Paphos](#), then its various excellent fishing spots can become their oyster. Hiring a car and visiting the reservoirs of your choice at your own pace can be the most relaxing way to enjoy Paphos, with the awe inspiring scenery, adding to the serenity that many fishing aficionados have enjoyed on their trips to Cyprus.

For a perfect mix of sun, sea and sights, as well as a healthy dose of fishing, Paphos and the various freshwater reservoirs that lie scattered throughout the region really makes a prime catch.

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