WHAT TO BRING

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TACKLE AND GEAR

We recommend bringing your own equipment. The Damdochax is a small/medium sized river with both classic runs and pocket water. The majority of anglers use spey rods (double handers). This enables guests to cover the water with ease. There are plenty of opportunities for single handed rods and we encourage their use, especially when skating dry flies.

RODS

Spey rods from 11 to 13 feet long, 6 to 8 weight.

Single handed rods 9 to 10 feet, 7 to 8 weight.

REELS

A good reel is important. A high capacity reel with smooth drag. It's key to have ample backing (150 yards) and your reels are paired correctly with your rod.

LINES

Skagit lines and Scandi lines are recommended for spey rods.

Versi tip lines are ideal for single handed rods as they enable you to fish sink tips.

Weight-forward floating line for skating dry flies.

TIPS

A selection of 10 ft RIO MOW tips in different weights from light to heavy with a range of depth profiles.

LEADERS

Spool of 12 to 15 lb Maxima (chameleon or ultra green).

For dry fly fishing a tapered leader with 12 lb breaking strength.

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WADING GEAR

A pair of chest waders and good wading boots with Vibram soles and studs (Simms/Patagonia)

RAIN GEAR

We recommend a good Gortex ‘’shell’’ (Simms/Patagonia)

UNDER WADER WEAR

Layers are important, especially as you will get warm quickly when walking between pools and you will want to be able to shed layers throughout the day.

FLIES

Dry flies - natural patterns that immitate caddis and stone flies work well, as well as foam patterns.

Muddler minnows and pond skaters are very effective.

Wet flies - Steelhead patterns in a variety of colours, especially blues, blacks and pinks.

Tube flies

Classic spey patterns

ESSENTIALS

A good dry back pack (Simms/Patagonia).

A grayl water bottle.

A head lamp.

Polarized sunglasses.

Nippers for cutting leader and tippet.

A hat.

Wading staff.

Please don’t hesitate to reach out if you have any further questions.

Tight lines !

All the best, Toby

