



Complete Angler Weekend Gibson Ranch September 27 thru 29, 2024

Spend the weekend at Gibson Ranch fishing and earn 3 merit badges. Those Scouts earning all three will receive the Complete Angler Award with the patch they can wear on their uniform. The weekend starts on Friday evening at 6 pm and finishes on Sunday afternoon at 2pm.

The fee is \$80 for the weekend which includes food and all program materials.

There will be a few prerequisites that need to be completed before or after the event.

By the end of the weekend session, Scouts should be able to complete most if not all of the requirements for the 3 merit badges. After the weekend Scouts will make a presentation on fishing to their troop, pack or crew.

- ✓ Prerequisites
 - Willingness to learn
 - Interest in fishing
 - Willing to complete some requirements on their own before the weekend so that the Fish and Wildlife requirements can be signed off during the weekend.
- ✓ We'll cover the following
 - How to complete the Fish & Wildlife Management requirements on your own
 - Safety and first aid while fishing
 - 8 knots
 - Different kinds of fishing equipment and their purpose
 - Fishing Regulations
 - Leave No Trace while fishing
 - How to fly cast
 - Cleaning and cooking fish
 - All about flies and artificial lures
 - Fly tying (tie 2 flies)

To complete the award, Scouts will make a presentation to their troop, crew or pack teaching others about a specific fishing topic.

All equipment will be provided. Scouts are welcome to bring their own fly fishing equipment or spin cast rods if they want. All hooks are to be barbless and will be checked.