



LOWER LEES

FISHING

• SALMON FISHING ON THE RIVER TWEED •

A remarkable stretch of the Lower Tweed

The Lower Lees Salmon Fishing Beat offers approximately 5/8 of a mile of exclusive single (left) bank salmon and sea trout fishing on the Lower River Tweed.

Formerly part of the renowned Lees Beat, Lower Lees benefits from a long-established reputation as one of the most consistently productive stretches of water on the entire Tweed system.

Situated in the famed town of Coldstream, the beat provides bank, boat and wading alternatives across five named pools, offering anglers a variety of productive water throughout the season.

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A varied and productive two rod beat

5/8 mile

Exclusive single left
bank fishing

5 named pools

Varied fishing
throughout the season

2 rods

A 2 rod beat

Bank/Boat/Wade

Multiple ways to access
the water

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Lower Lees has two Tweed rowing boats, allowing access to those pools that are more difficult to wade.

A proven stretch of the Tweed

Despite having previously been very lightly fished, Lower Lees has an impressive recent catch record, with a five-year average of 63 salmon and grilse per season between 2020 and 2024.

Recent seasonal catches include totals of more than 100 salmon and grilse, with a five-year average of 63 fish per season despite the limited rod effort.

63

Five-year average
Salmon & grilse per season

100+

Salmon & grilse
in recent seasons

A long fishing history

Historically, Lower Lees was fished as part of the wider Lees Beat, a highly regarded two-mile, four-rod fishery.

The wider Lees Beat achieved a remarkable five-year average of 381 salmon and grilse annually between 2020 and 2024, including an outstanding catch of 624 fish in 2024.



Expert guidance on the river

Our expert Head Ghillie, Martin, will be on hand to guide you throughout your day, with one ghillie between two rods.

From helping carry your equipment from the car and setting up your rod, to advising on the best tackle for the river conditions, Martin will make sure you have everything you need to get the most from your time on the water.

Your day can be as relaxed or as busy as you want. When you're ready to move between pools, your ghillie will also be on hand to row you to areas of the beat that are best accessed by boat.

One ghillie. Two rods.

Lower Lees is a two-rod beat, allowing for plenty of guidance and support throughout your day while still giving you the freedom to enjoy the river at your own pace.



Martin Ritchie Head Ghillie

Martin began fishing with his Grandad at the age of 4 and progressed to the ultimate dream job as a ghillie. He has fished many main rivers, gaining valuable experience and knowledge in fishing methods to assist clients in their quest to catch a salmon.

Facilities & Equipment

The Fishing Hut

Lower Lees guests have access to the fishing hut at Upper North Wark — one of the finest huts on the river and just a five-minute drive from the beat.

A hot cup of coffee and a warm welcome await your arrival. The hut has a comfortable balcony overlooking the river where, weather permitting, anglers and their partners can sit outside, read a book and take in the beautiful views.

Cooking, lighting, heating and toilet facilities are all available for your use, along with extensive off-road parking.

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Arrival & Access

Rods will meet at the [Upper North Wark](#) hut for coffee before making the five-minute drive to Lower Lees.

Excellent vehicular access is available throughout the beat, allowing anglers to move easily between pools.

Equipment Hire

If you're new to salmon fishing or don't have the correct equipment with you, everything you need can be hired from the beat.

The latest equipment includes Loop rods, with a full hire package available:

- 15ft double-handed salmon rod
- Reel & lines
- Floating & sinking tips
- Flies
- Waders & boots
- Protective glasses

All you need to bring is a hat and some thick socks!

Group Bookings

We can accommodate up to 6 rods across two beats by separate arrangement. They are 5 minutes apart and both benefit from the hut at Upper North Wark. They are complementary to the extent that one fishes well at high water and the other at low water. Please contact us at bookings@lowerleesfishing.com for more details.

Location

Lower Lees is situated in Coldstream on the Lower River Tweed, just a five-minute drive from the Upper North Wark fishing hut.

Meeting Point:

Upper North Wark Fishing Hut

River Tweed, Coldstream,
Berwick TD12 4LN

For your Sat Nav please use the postcode TD12 4LN which will take you to Fireburnmill. From Fireburnmill it is the first left off the A698 heading towards Birgham.

Fishing Season

The fishing season runs from the beginning of February to the end of November.

For beginners taking part in our Fly Fishing Experience Course, we recommend visiting between May and August to get the most from your coaching.

NB. There is no guarantee of catching a fish and any salmon caught need to be returned to the water by order of the Tweed Commissioners. Weather conditions may mean that fishing cannot occur – invariably for the safety of the rods and the ghillies. The Ghillie's decision will be final in such matters and no refund can be offered if fishing does not take place.

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Plan your day at Lower Lees

If you'd like to book a day fishing this historic stretch of the Lower Tweed, you can view current availability, prices and booking information on our website.

[CHECK AVAILABILITY & BOOK](#)

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