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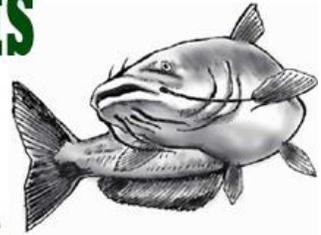
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## Live Bait

Silver Minnows, Pink Minnows, Goldfish, Carp, Worms, Crickets, and several varieties of Perch

Call for Availability and Prices

## Pond and Lake Stocking

Catfish, Bass, Crappie, Bluegill Bream, Redear Bream, Hybrid Bream, Grass Carp, Tilapia, Feeder Minnows

We also have Lake Management and Weed Control programs available

## Pay Ponds

No fishing license required.

Catch and release or buy them by the pound.

Catfish, Tilapia, Bass, Bream, Trout in the Winter.

Group rates available.

By appointment only.

## Guided Duck Hunts

Here on the farm  
Managed for Ducks

Flaherty's Fish Farm is family owned and has been for over 20 years. We continue to strive to produce the best products available. Special orders are welcome. We try to sell all of our products locally. Delivery available. We appreciate all of our loyal customers, and we hope to meet many more. Come and watch us grow!

Thanks,  
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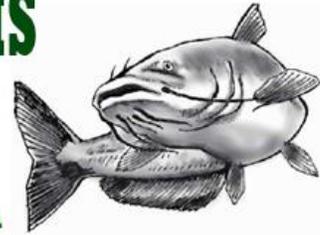
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## STOCKING AND POND MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

### **RECOMMENDED STOCKING RATES** for a 1 (one) acre pond, if you plan on feeding your fish

Combination of:

- Large Mouth Bass – 200/acre
- Hybrid Bluegill – 500/acre
- Channel Catfish – 1,000/acre
- Feeder Minnows – 10 lbs./acre

Combination of:

- Large Mouth Bass – 300/acre
- Hybrid Bluegill – 1,000/acre
- Feeder Minnows – 15 lbs./acre

Channel Catfish only:

- Channel Catfish – 1,000/acre
- Feeder Minnows – 10lbs./acre

### **RECOMMENDED STOCKING RATES** for a 1 (one) acre pond, if you do not plan on feeding your fish

Combination of:

- Large Mouth Bass – 100/acre
- Hybrid Bluegill – 200/acre
- Channel Catfish – 500/acre
- Feeder Minnows – 10 lbs./acre

Combination of:

- Large Mouth Bass – 150/acre
- Hybrid Bluegill – 500/acre
- Feeder Minnows – 10 lbs./acre

Combination of:

- Channel Catfish – 500/acre
- Feeder Minnows – 10lbs./acre

### **HOW TO RELEASE YOUR FISH**

Set the bag, of bags, in the edge of the water. Open the bags and slowly add one quart of pond water to each bag(s)'s water. Wait two (2) minutes and add another quart. Repeat this procedure until the water in the bag feels about the same temperature as the pond water, then slowly let the fish swim out.

### **FEEDING YOUR FISH**

We highly recommend feeding your fish every day (or at least every other day). Feeding your fish less than 3-7 days/week will result in lowered growth rates. You may purchase the commercial fish feed at your local feed store.

To train your fish to feed, start with 2 quarts of feed per day for the first seven days. Continue to

Feed lightly, then increase to a full feeding schedule when the water temperature rises above 55-60°. Feed your fish in the same place and at the same time of day. This will allow them to obtain regular feeding habits.

If your pond is spring-fed, and stays close to a constant temperature, start the full feeding schedule when the temperature "outside" rises above 60°.

Since fish tend to feed very little in the cold winter months, you may discontinue feeding when the water temperature falls below 55°, usually between November and April; however, you may feed periodically during warm spells, when the temperature is rising, between this time frame.

Feed fish close to 3 percent of the body weight. If you are not sure you can judge the amount of feed by using this method: feed as much as the fish will clean up in approximately 30 minutes.

## **SPAWNING AND GROWTH RATES**

### **Channel Catfish:**

Channel Catfish will not usually maintain their numbers in a small pond or lake. To maintain the catfish population, additional catfish must be stocked periodically.

Depending on the area and the climate, spawning will occur sometime between early spring and late summer. To enhance the reproduction of your catfish, sink a few tires, milk cans, plastic buckets, and other such items in areas around 3 to 4 ft. deep in your pond. This will give the fish an excellent place to lay and fan their eggs while keeping other fish away.

Channel Catfish will reach a weight of 1 ½ to 2 lbs. the first year, if they are fed adequately.

### **Hybrid Bluegill:**

When a male bluegill and a green sunfish are crossed to produce a hybrid bluegill, the male to female ratio is approximately 65 to 70 percent male. So stocking the hybrid bluegill is a wise decision, since this lessens the chance of an overpopulation of bluegill in your pond.

Reaching maximum weight ranging from 2-3 lbs., the hybrid bluegill are among the favorites for pond stocking. With adequate food supply, they will reach a weight of ½ to ¾ lb. during their first years growth.

### **Large Mouth Bass:**

Bass will usually spawn when they are one year old, if they are at least 8-10 inches long. Bass normally spawn in shallow water, near the shoreline, when the water temperature has begun to increase rapidly in spring. Females spawn twice a year, although a third spawning is not uncommon.

The large mouth bass will reach a weight of ½ - ¾ lb. the first year. They will gain a pound, or more, every year afterwards.

### **Fathead Minnow:**

Spawning begins when the water temperature begins to rise rapidly in the spring. Usually after the air temperature stays above 65°. The fathead minnow will spawn several times during the cool periods throughout the summer.

Fatheads feed on small organic organisms found in the pond, and their annual maximum length seldom exceeds 3 inches, thus making them one of the best types of forage fish for your catfish, bass, bluegill, and crappie to feed on.