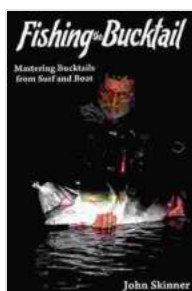


Mastering Bucktails From Surf And Boat

Bucktails are a versatile and effective lure for both surf and boat fishing. They can be used to catch a variety of saltwater fish, including striped bass, bluefish, fluke, and weakfish. Bucktails are relatively easy to fish, but there are a few things you need to know in order to get the most out of them.



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Choosing The Right Bucktail

The first step is to choose the right bucktail for the job. Bucktails come in a variety of sizes, weights, and colors. The size of the bucktail will depend on the size of the fish you're targeting. A good rule of thumb is to use a bucktail that is about 1/4 to 1/3 the size of the fish you're hoping to catch.

The weight of the bucktail will depend on the depth of the water you're fishing and the strength of the current. A heavier bucktail will sink faster and

stay down longer in deeper water or stronger currents. A lighter bucktail will be more buoyant and will be able to be fished in shallower water or weaker currents.

The color of the bucktail is not as important as the size and weight, but it can be a factor in certain situations. For example, a white bucktail can be more visible in murky water, while a black bucktail can be more effective in clear water.

Rigging A Bucktail

Once you've chosen the right bucktail, you need to rig it properly. Bucktails can be rigged in a variety of ways, but the most common method is to use a jig head. A jig head is a weighted hook that has a hole in the top for the line to pass through.

To rig a bucktail on a jig head, simply pass the line through the hole in the jig head and tie it to the hook. You can use a variety of knots to tie the line to the hook, but the most common knot is the improved clinch knot.

Once the bucktail is rigged, you can add a trailer hook if desired. A trailer hook is a small hook that is attached to the back of the bucktail. Trailer hooks can help to increase your hookup ratio, especially when fishing for fish that are short-striking.

Fishing A Bucktail

Bucktails can be fished in a variety of ways, but the most common methods are jigging and casting. Jigging is a technique where you repeatedly lift and drop the bucktail off the bottom. This action creates a fluttering motion that attracts fish.

Casting is a technique where you cast the bucktail out into the water and then retrieve it with a steady retrieve. The speed of your retrieve will depend on the depth of the water you're fishing and the activity of the fish.

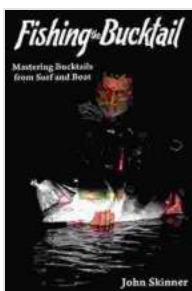
Bucktails can be fished from both surf and boat. When fishing from the surf, it's important to cast your bucktail into the waves and retrieve it with a steady retrieve. When fishing from a boat, you can either jig the bucktail or cast it out and then retrieve it with a steady retrieve.

Tips For Fishing Bucktails

Here are a few tips for fishing bucktails:

* Use a sharp hook. A sharp hook will help you to penetrate the fish's mouth and set the hook securely. * Fish in areas where fish are likely to be. Look for areas with structure, such as rocks, reefs, and wrecks. * Be patient. It may take some time to find fish, but once you do, you'll be rewarded with some great catches.

Bucktails are a versatile and effective lure for both surf and boat fishing. By following the tips in this article, you can learn how to choose the right bucktail, rig it properly, and fish it effectively. With a little practice, you'll be able to catch more fish with bucktails.



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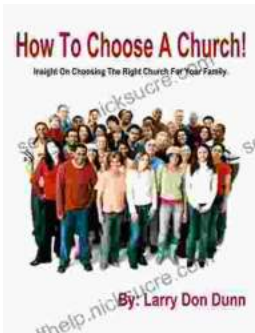
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