Sport Fish Supplier List

For Farm Pond Stocking

2012 edition





Cooperative Extension Program,
University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff,
U.S. Department of Agriculture,
and County Governments
in cooperation with the
Arkansas Game and Fish Commission.



The following is a partial list of commercial suppliers who sell fish for pond stocking. The information given herein is for educational purposes only. Reference to commercial firms is made with the understanding that no discrimination is intended and no endorsement by the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff Cooperative Extension Program or the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission is implied. For additions, corrections, or to have your farm included in the sport fish supplier list, please send appropriate information to:

Sport Fish Supplier List UAPB Fish Diagnostic Lab P.O. Box 357 Lonoke, AR 72086 Fax: 501-676-7847

Consumer Guideline for Pond Management Consultants or Fish Suppliers

These are guidelines to assist pond owners in the selection of a private pond consultant or fish supplier. In order to make an informed decision, pond owners may wish to ask the following questions:

Questions for pond management consultants:

- 1. How many years of experience do you have in this business? (An established business may have more experience with unusual problems or needs).
- 2. Do you have a staff member with a fisheries management degree? (A manager with a fisheries degree would be better trained in scientific pond management).
- 3. How will you survey my pond, and will I receive a written report? (At a minimum, a qualified pond manager should check a pond first-hand, and provide a written report on the findings and make recommendations to the pond owner).
- 4. Will you perform the needed management? (A good manager should be able to implement

- recommendations, not simply stock fish as a cure-all for problems).
- 5. Can you provide me with a list of references? (An established, reputable manager should have plenty of satisfied customers).
- 6. How are your fees based? (Managers may charge by the job, or by the hour. Get an estimate in writing, up front).

Questions for fish suppliers:

- 1. What is the warranty on your fish? (Some suppliers only guarantee live fish delivery, but fish may die later from hauling stress or disease).
- 2. Do you raise the fish, or do you buy them from someone else? (It is important to know the source of the fish provided, should problems arise).
- 3. What species and sizes of fish do you supply? (Some suppliers only sell or raise certain species or sizes of fish that may not be right for your pond).

Fish Species Key Used Throughout Directory:

LMB = largemouth bass

RS = redear sunfish

GC = grass carp (white amur)

BC = black crappie

HSB = hybrid striped bass

AC = albino catfish

IC = Israeli carp

HC= hybrid crappie

BG = bluegill

CC = channel catfish

GS = golden shiners HB = hybrid bream CBG= coppernose bluegill P1HB= P1 hybrid bass G = gambusia (mosquitofish) SMB = smallmouth bass

FHM = fathead minnows

KC = koi carp

GF = goldfish

T = tilapia

FB = Florida bass

Basic Stocking Recommendations for New Ponds

The most widely recommended combination for good fishing is largemouth bass, bream (either bluegill alone or bluegill and redear sunfish), and channel catfish. The bass consume enough small fish to control the bream population. If the proper number and sizes are present, this predator:prey relationship results in quality bass and bream. Channel catfish provide additional fishing opportunities. Grass carp (white amur) are stocked at low densities to prevent troublesome weeds from becoming established.

In a new pond, stock bluegill and redear sunfish fingerlings in the fall. Stock the bass fingerlings the following spring. This allows the bream to grow large enough to avoid predation and allows them to spawn the next spring when the bass are stocked. The baby bream provide food for the newly-stocked bass. Channel catfish fingerlings and grass carp can be stocked in the fall or the spring, but it is a good idea to stock them before the bass get too large.

Pay close attention to the number of fish to put into the pond (See Table 1). A pond produces a limited amount of food for each fish species. More food is available to fish that are lower on the food chain. Thus a pond can support more bream, which feed on insects, than largemouth bass, which primarily feed on other fish. Ponds that are managed with a proper fertilization program or are naturally productive

will support larger fish populations than unfertilized ponds because of the increased availability of food.

In properly managed bass-bream ponds, both the bass and the bream reproduce each year, and good fishing can be sustained for year after year without stocking additional fish. However, if catfish are desired as well, replacement catfish must be stocked every few years. The replacement catfish should be at least 8 inches long to avoid consumption by the bass.

To reduce the amount of time until harvest, you can stock adult fish instead of fingerlings. Stocking recommendations are different if you select this option (See Table 2), and there has been less research on adult stocking. Stock bass and bream at the same time in the spring, along with 2 to 3 pounds of fathead minnows per acre as forage for bass.

Keep in mind that sport fish suppliers are in the business of selling fish. It is best to obtain stocking recommendations from a county Extension agent, and then contact the supplier. For more information on stocking rates and farm pond management, ask your county Extension agent for a copy of "Farm Pond Management for Recreational Fishing (MP360)" and "Recreational Fishing in Small Impoundments: Alternative Management Options (MP447)."

Table 1: Species selection and stocking rates (fish/acre) for largemouth bass and bream fisheries for new or renovated ponds.

Pond type	Largemouth bass	Bluegill*	Redear sunfish	Channel catfish	Grass carp
Unfertilized	50	400	100	100	5
Fertilized or fed	100	800	200	200	5

^{*} If you wish to stock only bluegill, increase the stocking rate to include the redear stocking rate.

Table 2: Adult stocking recommendations (fish/acre) for new or renovated ponds.

Species	Number per acre	Size (inches)	
Largemouth bass	20	8 to 14	
Bluegill and redear sunfish	70 30	3 to 5 3 to 5	
Channel catfish	100 if unfertilized 200 if fertilized or fed	6 to 8	

F & L Anderson Farms Fish available: LMB, BG, FHM, BC, GF, KC, GS, RS

1252 Anderson Rd.

Lonoke, AR 72086 Open: Monday – Saturday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

year around

Lonoke County

Contact: Larry, Ted, and Dan Anderson

Phone: 501-676-2035 Minimum order: \$200

Fax: 501-676-0433 Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes Transportation available: yes

I. F. Anderson Farms, Inc. Fish available: FHM, GS, GF

4377 Hwy. 70 West

Lonoke, AR 72086 Open: Monday – Saturday, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lonoke County year around

Contact: Greg Martin

Phone: 501-676-2716 Minimum order: 6 lbs

Fax: 501-676-2718 Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes

E-mail: ifanderson@aol.com Transportation available: large quantities

Web site: www.andersonminnows.com

Darrell Saul Farms, Inc. Fish available: CC, FHM, GS, IC, GF

8343 Highway 11 North

Des Arc, AR 72040 Open: Monday – Saturday, 5 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Prairie County year around

Contact: Rodney Saul

Phone: 866-SAULCAT or

870-256-4161 Minimum order: \$1,000

Fax: 870-256-3539 Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: no E-mail: saul@ipa.net Transportation available: yes

Web site: www.saulfishfarm.com

Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc. Fish available: LMB, BG, RS, CC, GC, HB, BC, FHM, FB, KC

1150 Minnow Farm Road

P.O. Box 10 Open: Monday – Saturday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Monroe, AR 72108 year around

Monroe County

Contact: David Dunn Phone: 800-433-2950

Fax: 580-777-2899 Minimum order: no

E-mail: david@dunnsfishfarm.com Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes Web site: www.dunnsfishfarm.com Transportation available: yes

Denton and Denton Fish Farms, LLC

17771 Highway 18 Fish available: LMB, RS, CC, GC, HB, BC, FHM, KC, AC, BG

Cash, AR 72421

Poinsett County Open: Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Contact: Michael Denton Saturday, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Phone: 800-247-2615 or February to November

870-477-5530

Fax: 870-477-5531 Minimum order: 25 fish, except GS, 1 lb FHM

E-mail: mike_denton2008@yahoo.com Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes Web site: www.arkansaspondstockers.com Transportation available: yes

Farm Cat, Inc. Fish available: LMB, BG, CC, GC, HB, FHM, KC, HSB, GF,

P.O. Box 317 AC, GS, FB, BC, RS, T

Lonoke, AR 72086 Open: Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lonoke County Saturday, 7 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Lonoke County Saturday, 7 a
Contact: Thad Finley year around

Contact: Thad Finley Phone: 501-676-2686

Fax: 501-676-3742 Minimum order: no

E-mail: farmcat96@aol.com Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes Web site: www.stockmypond.com Transportation available: yes

Flaherty Fish Farm Fish available: LMB, FB, BG, RS, KC, CC, IC, GC, AC, HB, 2355

Nevada 14 BC, FHM, GS, GF, T

Emmet, AR 71853

Nevada County Open: Sunday – Saturday, by appointment

Contact: Donal or Janet Flaherty year around

Phone: 870-887-3350

(please leave message) Minimum order: no

E-mail: flahertysfishfarm@yahoo.com Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes Web site: www.flahertysfishfarm.com Transportation available: yes

Geurin & Sons Aquatic Farm Fish available: LMB, BG, FHM

P.O. Box 9

Lynn, AR 72440 Open: Sunday – Saturday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Lawrence County year around Contact: Keith Geurin Minimum order: no

Phone: 870-528-4045 Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: no

(best to call evenings) Transportation available: yes

Hopper-Stephens Hatcheries, Inc.

989 Johnson Road Fish available: LMB (June – October), BG, RS, CC, GC, HB, BC, FHM

Lonoke, AR 72086

Lonoke County Open: Monday – Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Contact: Janet Smith year around, except 2 weeks around Christmas

Phone: 501-676-2435 Minimum order: no

Fax: 501-676-7776 Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes* E-mail: hopperstephens@aol.com Transportation available: yes**

We do request a three working day notice

*Bags/oxygen supplied for a charge however, if customer is within an hour's drive, please bring containers

**Transportation provided for a charge for larger orders; customer needs to call

Keo Fish Farm Fish available: GC, FHM, HSB

P. O. Box 166

Keo, AR 72083 Open: Monday – Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lonoke County year around (varies with season)

Contact: Martha Melkovitz

Phone: 501-842-2872 Minimum order: no

Fax: 501-842-2156 Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes

E-mail: kkeo@centurytel.net Transportation available: yes for a charge

J. M. Malone and Son, Inc. Fish available: LMB, FB, BG, RS, CC, GC, HB, BC,

P.O. Box 158 FHM, AC, GS, CBG, HC, P1HB

Lonoke, AR 72086

Lonoke County

Contact: Jim Malone and Bobby Glennon

Open: Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

January 15 through December 15

Phone: 501-676-2800 Minimum order: no

Fax: 501-676-2910 Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes* Website: www.jmmaloneandson.com Transportation available: yes

* Do not bag catfish, customers need to bring 30-50 gal barrels for catfish

A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm Fish available: LMB, FB, BG, RS, CC, GC, HB, BC, FHM, HSB

P. O. Box 1281

Mt. Ida, AR 71957 Open: Sunday – Saturday, 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Locations: Palastine, St. Francis County year around

Mt. Ida, Montgomery County Minimum order: no

Contact: A. L. Jolly, Jr. Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes Phone: 870-295-5600 Transportation available: yes

Raper Fish Farm Fish available: BG, CC, FHM

760 Bayou Meto Road

Lonoke, AR 72086 Open: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Lonoke County year around

Contact: Larry or Brian Raper

Phone: 501-676-5778 Minimum order: no

Fax: 501-676-0678 Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes E-mail: minnowfarm@aol.com Transportation available: yes

Rick Maronay Fish Farm Fish available: BC, BG, CC, FHM, GF, GC, KC, SMB

3319 Bethlehem Road

Lonoke, AR 72086 Open: Summer: 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Lonoke County Winter: 7 a.m. to 5 pm.

Contact: Rick Maronay Phone: 501-676-6852

Minimum order: no

Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: no Transportation available: yes

Sunrise Fisheries, Inc. Fish available: LMB, BG, RS, CC, GS, GC, HB, BC, FHM, HSB, T, G

(Lake Management Services)

2447 N. Lakeshore Dr. Lake Village, AR 71653

Lake Village, AR 71653 Open: Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m

Chicot County year around

Contact: Jerry Williamson

Phone: 870-265-1205 Minimum order: \$100

Fax: 870-265-4146 Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: no Email: jeraldwilliamson@sbcglobal.net Transportation available: yes

Website: www.sunrisefisheries.com

T @ S Fish Consulting Fish available: BG, RS, GC, BC, FHM, FB, T

1068 Amity Road

Hot Springs, AR 71913 Open: Monday – Saturday, by appointment only

Garland County year around

Contact: Stave Levis Year & Minimum orders \$50

Contact: Steve Lewis Minimum order: \$50 Phone: 501-276-0414 Plastic bags/oxygen supplied: yes

Email: tilapialewis@aol.com Transportation available: yes

Index Listing – By County

Chicot County

Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.

Garland County

T @ S Fish Consulting

Lawrence County

Geurin & Sons Aquatic Farm

Lonoke County

F & L Anderson Farm

I. F. Anderson Farms

Farm Cat, Inc.

Hopper-Stephens Hatcheries, Inc.

Keo Fish Farm

J. M. Malone and Son, Inc.

Raper Fish Farm

Rick Maronay Fish Farm

Monroe County

Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc.

Montgomery County

A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm

Nevada County

Flaherty Fish Farm

Poinsett County

Denton and Denton Fish Farms, LLC

Prairie County

Darrell Saul Farms, Inc.

St. Francis County

A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm

Index Listing - By Species

Albino Catfish = AC

Denton & Denton Fish Farms, LLC Flaherty Fish Farm Raper Fish Farm

Black Crappie = BC

F & L Anderson Farms
Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc.
Denton & Denton Fish Farms, LLC
Flaherty Fish Farm
Hopper-Stephens Hatcheries, Inc.
A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm
J. M. Malone and Son, Inc.
Rick Maronay Fish Farm
Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.
T @ S Fish Consulting

Bluegill = BG

F & L Anderson Farms
Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc.
Farm Cat, Inc.
Flaherty Fish Farm
Geurin and Sons Aquatic Farm
Hopper-Stephens Hatcheries, Inc.
A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm
J. M. Malone and Son, Inc.
Raper Fish Farm
Rick Maronay Fish Farm
Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.
T @ S Fish Consulting

Channel Catfish = CC

Darrell Saul Farms, Inc.
Denton & Denton Fish Farms, LLC
Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc.
Farm Cat, Inc.
Flaherty Fish Farm
Hopper-Stephens Hatcheries, Inc.
A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm
J. M. Malone and Son, Inc.
Raper Fish Farm
Rick Maronay Fish Farm
Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.

Fathead Minnows = FHM

F & L Anderson Farms
I. F. Anderson Farms
Darrell Saul Farms, Inc.
Denton & Denton Fish Farms, LLC
Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc.
Farm Cat, Inc.
Flaherty Fish Farm
Geurin and Sons Aquatic Farm
Hopper-Stephens Hatcheries, Inc.

Fathead Minnows = FHM (continued)

A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm Keo Fish Farm J. M. Malone and Son, Inc. Raper Fish Farm Rick Maronay Fish Farm Sunrise Fisheries, Inc. T @ S Fish Consulting

Florida Bass = FB

Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc. Flaherty Fish Farm A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm J. M. Malone and Son, Inc. T @ S Fish Consulting

Gambusia (mosquitofish) = G

Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.

Golden Shiners = GS

I. F. Anderson Farms Darrell Saul Farms, Inc. Flaherty Fish Farm Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.

Goldfish = GF

I. F. Anderson Farms Darrell Saul Farms, Inc. Farm Cat, Inc. Flaherty Fish Farm Rick Maronay Fish Farm

Grass carp = GC (white amur)

Darrell Saul Farms, Inc.
Denton & Denton Fish Farms, LLC
Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc.
Farm Cat, Inc.
Flaherty Fish Farm
Hopper-Stephens Hatcheries, Inc.
A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm
Keo Fish Farm
J. M. Malone and Son, Inc.
Rick Maronay Fish Farm
Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.
T @ S Fish Consulting

Hybrid Bream = HB

Denton & Denton Fish Farms, LLC Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc. Farm Cat, Inc. Flaherty Fish Farm Hopper-Stephens Hatcheries, Inc. A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm J. M. Malone and Son, Inc.

Hybrid Bream = HB (continued)

Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.

Hybrid Striped Bass = HSB

Farm Cat, Inc. A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm Keo Fish Farm Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.

Israeli Carp = IC

Darrell Saul Farms, Inc. Flaherty Fish Farm

Koi Carp = KC

Denton & Denton Fish Farms, LLC Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc. Farm Cat, Inc. Flaherty Fish Farm Rick Maronay Fish Farm

Largemouth Bass = LMB

F & L Anderson Farms
Denton & Denton Fish Farms, LLC
Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc.
Farm Cat, Inc.
Flaherty Fish Farm
Geurin and Sons Aquatic Farm
Hopper-Stephens Hatcheries, Inc.
A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm
J. M. Malone and Son, Inc.
Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.

Redear Sunfish = RS

F & L Anderson Farms
Denton & Denton Fish Farms, LLC
Dunn's Fish Farms, Inc.
Flaherty Fish Farm
Hopper-Stephens Hatcheries, Inc.
A.L. Jolly, Jr. Fish Farm
J. M. Malone and Son, Inc.
Sunrise Fisheries, Inc.
T @ S Fish Consulting

Smallmouth Bass = SMB

Rick Maronay Fish Farm

Tilapia = T

Flaherty Fish Farm Sunrise Fisheries, Inc. T @ S Fish Consulting





Issued in furtherance of Extension work, Act of September 29, 1977, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Dr. Jacquelyn W. McCray, Dean/Director of 1890 Research and Extension, Cooperative Extension Program, University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. The Arkansas Cooperative Extension Program offers its programs to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, religion, gender, age, disability, marital or veteran status, or any other legally protected status, and is an Equal Opportunity Employer.