

# WALLEYE

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Following introduction to Banks Lake and Lake Roosevelt in the 1960s, walleye migrated downriver to find a home throughout the Columbia and Snake River system. Wide-open flats between Wallula Gap and the Snake-Columbia River confluence remain as one of the best places to find large walleye in the United States. Both the Oregon and Washington State record walleye have been caught in McNary Dam Pool (Lake Wallula) at 19.96 pounds and 20.30 pounds, respectively.

In the lower Snake River, Lower Monumental pool has the most to offer, with walleye found from the mouth of the Palouse River upstream to Little Goose Dam. Winter anglers from the upper Columbia region favor Lake Roosevelt, Lake Rufus Woods and Banks Lake. Moses Lake and the Potholes are popular spots for anglers following the ice-out period.

Walleye don't favor strong current and move to slower water off the main



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A variety of plugs for walleyes.

current when river discharge is high. Trolling is the most effective way to find fish when they are scattered in open water. Once a school of biters is encountered, anglers might switch to a vertical presentation with lead head jigs or blade baits. Universal colors of silver, white, and chartreuse provide improved visibility at deeper depths.

Washington and Oregon fisheries managers recently removed size and harvest limits on walleye in the Columbia and Snake Rivers, citing a need to reduce predation on juvenile salmon and steelhead. However, devoted walleye anglers release larger females and limit their take of smaller fish.

Walleye feed on juvenile shad, salmon smolts, lamprey ammocoetes, and bottom-dwelling resident fish that include sculpin and sandroller. A unique layer of light-gathering tissue in the back of their eyes, the tapetum lucidum, allows them to detect prey at low light. Consequently, night fishing increases the odds of hooking trophy-size walleye that move from deep water to the shallows to feed. No wonder anglers are willing to drive hundreds of miles to fish in the dark for a chance at a "walleye of a lifetime!"

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Walleye have large eyes with a light-gathering layer that allows them to detect prey in low-light conditions.

# SKI SEASON

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The resort also was able to open its retail shop, with limited occupancy, during March, she said.

That said, Judy said resort officials are eager to return to a normal operation next winter.

"The lodge is an awesome amenity, and we're looking forward to getting that back in action," she said.

## 'Fantastic' conditions

Ultimately, it's not pandemics or lodge schedules or lift lines that define a ski season.

It's snow. Quantity is obviously crucial, but so too is quality.

And in both respects, Judy

uses a single adjective to describe the 2020-21 season at Anthony Lakes. "Fantastic."

And after a relatively placid January and early February, a series of blizzards in the middle of the latter month bombarded Anthony Lakes with snow depths that ranked as noteworthy even for an area renowned for its prodigious dry powder.

In a season update posted on the resort's web page in mid-March, Johnson wrote that about 10 feet of snow fell in the middle of February.

Johnson lauded the resort's snow-removal crew.

"Keeping nine miles of road and four parking lots open during a storm that produced approximately 10 feet of snow

in less than two weeks is not an easy feat," he wrote.

Fletcher said that despite the changes due to the pan-

dem, her family enjoyed the ski season.

"We had a lot of good powder days this year," she said.

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- Machu Picchu builder
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- Racquet game
- Sz. option
- Face or amble lead-in
- Hint at
- Goes by horseback
- Mild expletive
- Novelist — Bagnold
- Use a sofa
- Be different
- Kenya's loc.
- Menlo Park initials
- Eastern philosophy
- Greenhouse supply

DOWN

- Talk a lot
- "Wheel" buy (2 wds.)
- Swing voter (abbr.)
- Filled a pipe
- Calculator key
- Unser and Gore
- Mild oath
- Twins, e.g.
- Thank you, to Wolfgang
- Performing
- Percé tribe
- Peculiar
- Protected with plastic
- Abner, of the comics
- Bakery fixture
- Depend (on)
- Shelter
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