

DOVETAIL GAMES
FISHING
SIM WORLD



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Getting Started



Thank you for purchasing Dovetail Games Fishing Sim World!

This information will help you get started quickly and easily. Dovetail Games Fishing Sim World is powered by Unreal Engine 4® technology. To install Fishing Sim World you will need to download Steam and create a Steam account.

You can do this by visiting <https://store.steampowered.com/about/> and clicking 'Install Steam Now'.

Controls

Action	Controls (Mouse and Keyboard)	Controls (controller)
Interact	E	A
Casting Stance	Q	LT
Switch to Fishing/Driving	Q	LT
Pause	Esc	LB/RB
Choose Rod	W,A,S,D	LS
Chat	Enter	N/A
Hide Chat	Z	N/A
Movement	W,A,S,D	LS
Toggle View	V	View
Adjust Drag	Mouse Wheel Up/Down	Up/Down d-pad
Reel	Left Click	LT
Move Camera	Mouse	RS
Reset Line	R	B
Set Line Clip	T	Y
Back	F	B
Cancel	F	B
Close Peg	F	B
Inventory	I	Y
Menu Select	Space	Start
Put Down Rod	Space	A
Reel Speed	9/0	LB/RB
Quick Walk	Shift	RT
Slow Cast	Shift	RT
Cast	Right Click (Hold)	RT
Exit Cast	Right Click (Release)	LT
Twitch	Right Click	RT

Game Modes



Whether you're a fishing beginner or angling pro, there's a challenge for every player. Start by learning the basics with our video tutorials or dive straight into one of the seven unique lakes and land the big catch. When you are ready, compete against friends and opponents in our fishing tournaments.

Tutorials

The tutorials will teach you everything you need to know to get started in Fishing Sim World. The 7 tutorials will start with taking you through the basic controls and then progress to locating and catching fish. The tutorials are also available in the pause menu in game.

Single Player

Freedom Fishing

Freedom Fishing allows you to tackle a lake at your own pace. Explore the lake and find your favourite spot to fish.

Tournaments

Single Player Tournaments let you test your skills against AI opponents. There are 4 disciplines each with 4 tournaments. You will need to place in the top 3 to progress.

Bass Tournament

Attempt to catch the highest total weight possible from your 5 best catches. Only species of bass will be counted in this tournament.

Carp Tournament

Catch the highest total weight of carp species in the allotted time.

Predator Tournament

Catch the highest total length of predatory fish in the time limit.

Match Tournament

Catch as many fish as you can in the time limit with no restriction on species.

Online

Dovetail Fishing League

The Dovetail Fishing League is where you can compete with anglers from across the world in individual online events, and for the glory of being crowned 'Angler of the Month'.

The DFL consists of multiple events split across 4 different series. Each of the series has its own season leaderboard, with points earned in these added together to determine your position in the Global Season Leaderboard.

Multiplayer

Multiplayer places you in a lobby against other players. You and 7 other players can compete against each other or have a nice, relaxing fishing session together. In the Multiplayer menu you are given 3 options:

- Host a Session – Host a public session that anyone can join
- Host Friends Session – Host a private session that only your friends will be able to join
- Join a Session – Join a public session

Casting Guide



There are two casting methods in Fishing Sim world, Basic Cast Control and Total Cast Control.

Basic Cast Control

1. Basic cast control is enabled in the settings menu under 'Game Settings' by changing the 'Casting Method' to 'Basic Cast Control'.
2. In order to enter the casting 'state', press Right Click (LT) while in game at the waters edge and a power bar will then appear.
3. Hold down Left Click (RT) to start filling the power bar.
4. Release the button to cast however, avoid going into the red zone as accuracy of the cast will be lost.

Total Cast Control

1. Total Cast Control is enabled in the settings menu under 'Game'. Set the 'Casting Method' to 'Total Cast Control'
2. In order to enter the casting 'state', hold Right Click (LT) while in game at the waters edge and a power bar will then appear.
3. Move the mouse down (right thumb stick) to bring the rod back over your head
4. Move the mouse forward (right thumb stick) to push the rod forward
5. Release Right Click (LT) as the lead is travelling forward over your head

Boat Guide



On our vast bass lakes you will need a boat to get around and find your spots to fish. You will be given a starter boat and then when you earn more Tackle Points you will be able to upgrade to a faster, more powerful boat.

Driving a Boat

When you enter Lake Johnson or Lake Boulder you will need to get into your boat. This is done by walking up to a boat and interacting with it using E (A). When you have entered the boat you can use W (RT) to start accelerating. Steering is controlled by A/D or the left thumb stick.

Finding Fish

To help you locate fish when driving around the lake your boat is equipped with GPS and a Fish Finder. The GPS will show you where you are on the lake while the Fish Finder will show you when you are near fish and the depth they are at.

The fish finder display will show when your boat has passed over a fish, with the furthest right section on the display showing what is beneath your boat. When you have found a good spot to fish from you can press Q (X) to get into the casting position and cast out.

Bass and Predator Fishing Guide



In Bass and Predator Fishing you will use a lure to catch largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, black crappie, white crappie, northern pike, chain pickerel, European perch and yellow perch.

There are three retrieval techniques you can use when using a lure. Constant, Stop and Go and Twitch, you can check when selecting a lure which techniques it will be compatible with. After you have cast out your line you can use one of the retrieval techniques to attract the attention of any fish in the area.

When you have a fish on the line your lure indicator will show an exclamation mark, at this point you will need to strike into the fish. To strike, pull the rod back towards the character or in the opposite direction to the fish's movement, similar to how a cast is performed. Timing is key, strike too soon or too late and the fish will escape. A successful strike will mean the fish is on.

The hook quality will be stated after a successful strike. The hook quality is based on the timing and power of the strike – with a poorly timed strike the hook will not be perfectly set. Coupled with a lot of tension on the line, then there is a high probability the fish will escape. A perfect hook quality will mean there is less potential for the fish to escape on high tension, but it is still ideal to aim for lower tension.

Float Fishing Guide

Float fishing is an interactive, fast paced style of fishing which is perfect for catching the smaller species of fish within Fishing Sim World.

Once in the lake open the Tackle Box and make sure a float is equipped. Bait can be changed to something like Bloodworms or Maggots but Bread is a good option too.

Try not to move the float around too much while waiting for a bite or the fish will be spooked. Watch out for the float to move as this will indicate a bite. To strike, pull the rod back towards the character or in the opposite direction to the fish's movement, similar to how a cast is performed. Timing is key, strike too soon or too late and the fish will escape. A successful strike will mean the fish is on.

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Lake Guide

Lake Boulder

Naturally formed by a moving glacier, Lake Boulder in Upstate New York features a variety of habitats for both the largemouth and smallmouth Bass to hunt their prey. With giant rock faces, steep drop offs, deep trenches and plenty of reeds and lily pads this lake will get you using all the lures in your tackle box.

Species:

- Largemouth Bass
- Smallmouth Bass
- Black Crappie
- Yellow Perch
- Chain Pickerel
- Northern Pike

Lake Johnson

Located in the sun soaked flatlands of Florida, Lake Johnson offers stunning fishing where Trophy size largemouth bass can grow over 12lb. Boat docks provide the fish with shelter from the hot sun, whilst areas of Bullrush, Lily pads and Hydrilla will test your different retrieval techniques.

Species:

- Largemouth Bass
- Black Crappie
- White Crappie
- Yellow Perch
- Chain Pickerel

Grand Union Canal

Located in West London, this venue offers some great opportunities for predatory fishing. Pike and perch thrive in the slow moving waters. Make sure you have the correct tackle as the specimen pike found here can put up a real fight. In addition to the predators, carp and other coarse fish make this an ideal location for a spot of match fishing.

Species:

- Northern Pike
- Common Carp
- Mirror Carp
- Leather Carp
- European Perch
- Bream
- Tench

- Rudd

Gigantica

Gigantica has been fittingly named, to represent the huge carp that swim within its crystal clear depths. The Gigantica carp are no ordinary carp, the calibre of these fish is not to be mistaken as anything other than perfect. Fudgies, the jewel in the crown, was over 80lbs the last time it was hooked.

Species:

- Northern Pike
- Common Carp
- Mirror Carp
- Leather Carp
- European Perch
- Roach
- Rudd

Manor Farm

Manor Farm is located on the Linear Fisheries Complex in Oxford, England. It holds 700 Carp as well as excellent stocks of tench, catfish, and a handful of big bream. A high percentage of the carp weigh in excess of 20lb, at least fifty different carp over 30lb, with six of these topping the 40lb barrier to nearly 50lb!

Species:

- Northern Pike
- Common Carp
- Mirror Carp
- Leather Carp
- Ghost Carp
- European Perch
- Wels Catfish
- Bream
- Tench
- Roach
- Rudd

Bergsee

Bergsee is in the foothills of the Austrian mountains where the scenery is as spectacular as the fishing. This isn't where you would expect to find a lake but those that know about it, know that this 15 acre venue holds some special fish. There are some lovely carp up to 36lbs but this venue is famous for the size of its coarse species which can really grow on with no catfish present. With bream over 19lb, tench over 14lbs and perch over 4lb, Bergsee holds some amazing specimens.

Species:

- Common Carp

- Mirror Carp
- Leather Carp
- Ghost Carp
- Koi Carp
- European Perch
- Bream
- Tench
- Roach
- Rudd

Waldsee

Waldsee is a hidden gem found deep in the famous forests of Germany and home to some rarely fished for specimens! At around 10 acres in size, it is big enough to give you plenty of options but the surrounding forests and the wooden pathways create an intimate atmosphere. This wild lakes exact stock isn't quite known but carp up to 62lbs 6oz and catfish up to 68lbs have been landed along with specimen bream, tench and roach.

Species:

- Northern Pike
- Common Carp
- Mirror Carp
- Ghost Carp
- Koi Carp
- European Perch
- Wels Catfish
- Bream
- Tench
- Roach
- Rudd

Dovetail Live Account

The Dovetail Forums are your one-stop destination for everything Fishing Sim World related. We have an ever growing and vibrant community of fishing enthusiasts from all over the world, ranging from experienced anglers to new players getting into the world of fishing simulators. So, if you haven't already, why not sign up for an account today and join our community – we'd love to have you on board! See more at: <https://forums.dovetailgames.com>

Dovetail Live is an online destination which enables players to interact with Dovetail's products and each other in an environment tailored specifically to fans of simulation entertainment. Dovetail Live will evolve to become central to Fishing Sim World, enriching the player experience in every way from offering rewards, building a community of likeminded players and helping every player find the right content to create their own perfect personal experience.

Signing up for Dovetail Live is completely voluntary. However, users that do sign up for it will receive exclusive benefits in the future.

See more at: <https://live.dovetailgames.com>

Troubleshooting

If you are experiencing any issues with your copy of Fishing Sim World, please contact our customer support team at <https://dovetailgames.kayako.com>.

You can also check out our help section in our forum over at <https://forums.dovetailgames.com/forums/troubleshooting-support.109/>.