

AMAZON - HITTING IT JUST RIGHT JULIE & DENNIS SMITH

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Truly incredible trip! Numbers and quality and tenacity: peacocks truly rival snook as my favorite piscatorial targets. Throw in the visual aspects of almost every strike and fish, and, wow, it just can't be any better. As you probably know by now, I keep logs of my trips and count fish. Based on previous experience where I've had my boat-mate use clickers to validate my mental counts, I usually am accurate to within +/- 3% (usually, I undercount). So, the following numbers are pretty factual:

Sat	80 fish, 4 between 7-9#.
Sun	100 fish, 7 between 7-9#
Mon	59 fish, 3 between 7-9#
Tu	87 fish, 8 between 7-9# and 2 at 11.5 and 11.75
Wed	178 fish, 6 between 5-7# and 1 at 12.5
Th	43 fish, 2 between 9-10#, 13 between 7-9#, and 11 between 4-5# (everyone caught big fish this day including a 22 and a 18)
Fr	73 fish, 1 at 12.75 and 11 between 6-8# (same spots fished 2 days in a row)

"Fish" in this count represent all varieties of peacocks. I also landed 9 arowana and a mess of other "things."

Julie ended up with 151 peacocks, including a 13# that didn't get away (picture is the third photo down on the right on Amazon page) and a 20+ pound chartreuse and fluorescent orange VW bus that smashed my favorite Sage TCR 9 weight into a multi-piece travel stick. Don't know why the rod failed, but it did. I had just landed a 7# out of a hole and told Julie that the fish that was swimming next to mine could have swallowed mine. I was right, and she hooked it on the next cast. Wish we had that one to show you! So...771 peacocks between us, and, as you know, one could easily catch a 1000 a week if one were so inclined.

Great trip and great lodge! I may be ruined for life!

Dennis

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