

Sea Trout

Fish-of-the-Month for SEPTEMBER

Randy Douet



- Ladies Club Record: 26.5" (Joanne Landaker)
- Mens Club Record: 29" (Rich Brennan & Aaron Wagner)
- YTD Master Angler Tournament 27" (Tom Hickey)
- Florida State Record: 17 pounds 7 ounces (~37")



Live Bait vs Artificial?

- Best to use artificial soft plastics (DOA Shrimp, 3" Paddle Tails)
- Reasons to use live shrimp:
 - ✓ You're BRAND new to fishing here
 - You aren't able to efficiently and quietly cover ground
- Popping Cork Rig:
 - √ 1) Adds sound dynamic
 - ✓ 2) Keeps bait exactly within grass tips
 - √ 3) Easy to locate (prevents cross-casting)



Artificial Soft Plastic DOA Shrimp- 3", Paddle tails





LOCATION

- > 2.8 3.5 ft of water over health grass beds
- > Flats that are NEAR deeper water
- Turtle grass is the best grass species to work
- Fish areas with breeze above 5 MPH
- ➤ Drift and anchor several times per spot- 20 ft makes a big difference



LOCATION

- Don't fish grass that is matted up with dead brown grass (red tide?)
- > QUIET!
- Fish edges of potholes
- "Fish the Slick"

- Slicks naturally form with breeze conditions.
- > Trout hate direct sunlight.
- Slick forms a "boundary" to them
- They like to hang on its edges

