

Muskegon River Lodge Spey School

Instructors: Peter Humphreys, Captain Steve Kuieck

Day One

Two (2) hour classroom session covering everything Spey from its origins in Scottish salmon fishing, line and rod set ups, and an in-depth presentation of the primary principles of Spey casting.

Break

One (1) hour on the lawn to demonstrate four (4) primary principles followed with Q and A.

Lunch

One and a half (1.5) hours in the river instruction and guided practice on converting the dead line roll cast into a switch cast.

Break

One (1) hour in the river to learn the Double Spey cast.

One (1) hour in the river to learn the Snap T/ Circle Spey cast.

Dinner

Day Two

Half and hour (.5) review of Day One casts

One (1) hour in the river to learn the Off Shoulder Double Spey cast

One (1) hour in the river to learn the Off Shoulder Circle Spey/Snap T

Break

One and a half hour (1.5) to learn the Single Spey cast

Lunch

One and a half hour (1.5) to learn the Snake Roll

Break.

One and a half hour (1.5) individual casting tutorial on any of the casts requiring additional practice followed by Q and A at the lodge.

Day Three

Spey Casting Tackle Practicum

One and a half hour (1.5) to learn how to build sink tips

Break

Spey Casting Tackle Practicum

One half hour (1.5) to learn about T-8, T-11, T-14, T-17 Mow Tips; leader construction, Versa leaders, traditional monofilament and fluorocarbon leaders

One hour (1) Choosing Your Flies

Lunch

Three hours (3) Spey casting from a boat, including practical Spey fishing applications on river, three (3) students per boat.

Closing session at the lodge including Q and A.

Necessities

All students will need waders, rain gear, and sunglasses; the outdoor portions of the class will be held rain or shine.

Recommended Gear

Students bringing their own gear should bring a 13-15 foot 8-9 wt. two-handed Spey rod. Spey lines should be a full floating Skagit, Scandi style head, or a short belly traditional floating Spey line. Leaders should be tapered and approximately the length of the rod (leaders will be available at the school).

Since some students may not have their own Spey gear yet, premium quality Spey rods and reels will be available for use from the instructors for the duration of the class.

Tuition \$995 per student.