

# AUCTION

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## **Bids to be received by midnight on Friday 21st May 2021**

Email bids to [david.rice@whidowndesign.co.uk](mailto:david.rice@whidowndesign.co.uk) , mark your email RETA AUCTION 2021 and include your name, telephone number, the Lot numbers and your bids.

Successful bidders will be notified within 72 hours of the auction closing.,

### **Lot 1 – A day’s guided salmon fishing for two rods with a picnic on the River Taw**



We are very grateful to Hugh Thompson who has donated a day’s fishing with a picnic and accompanied guide for two rods on his excellent beat. The day to be chosen to coincide with a run of large fish for which the beat is famous.

Guide £250

### **Lot 2 – A box of salmon flies**

Perennially popular; a very practical fly box with a clear lid and a selection of salmon flies, every one of which is deadly. Kindly donated by Lance Nicholson Tackle, Dulverton.

Guide £100



**Lot 3 – A day's trout fishing for two rods on the River Itchen**

We are very grateful to Jonathan Quirk for offering another excellent day's dry-fly fishing on the River Itchen at Bishopstoke, Hampshire. A rare opportunity to fish the famous Itchen and tread in Halford's footsteps. Three and a half miles of double bank fishing for brown trout.

Jonathan will accompany the rods and provide an excellent picnic. Any day from 15<sup>th</sup> July onwards.

Guide £300



**Lot 4 – One day salmon or trout fishing for up to three rods at Glanwye on the upper Wye with a ghillie**



We are very grateful to Christopher Morley for this day's salmon or trout fishing for up to three rods on one of the upper Wye's more prolific and exclusive beats: Glanwye. A very private double bank beat with some classic fly pools as well as the gutters that this section of the Wye is famous for. The very knowledgeable ghillie, Johnathan Morris, is recommended, not only to show you over the pools and give advice if that is all that is required, but he is also able to provide private tuition for all levels being one of the country's most qualified instructors. There is a lodge with facilities and the use of a balcony overlooking the river for lunch. A perfect place to be. Date to be arranged with the owner and to be taken before 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

Guide £200

**Lot 5 Two rods for a day in-shore fishing with light tackle for bass, wrasse and mackerel**



A day afloat with skipper David Rice out of Dartmouth on the good small ship Zulu Warrior in search of bass, wrasse, mackerel and pollack. Light tackle and casting in-shore provide exciting and hopefully rewarding fishing. If successful one bass over 42cm may be taken per rod. Tackle can be provided.  
Guide: £250

**Lot 6 Both a morning and evening session stalking for red deer**



One-to-one morning and evening stalking sessions with renowned guide Eddy Dale within the Exe catchment. Eddy has a large amount of ground at his disposal and will take the lucky recipient to what will be the best area on the day agreed. Novices or experienced stalkers alike will benefit from Eddy's intimate knowledge of his ground and the chosen quarry. The rifle can be provided for the novice if required.  
August and September are the best months to take this day.  
If successful the venison can be bought at the current game dealer price.

Guide: £150



### **Lot 7 – A tour of the Exe estuary for four guests on a RIB**



A stimulating tour of the Exe Estuary basin for four people in a high speed RIB. From Topsham, meander up to the first barrier on the river, Salmon Pool Weir, then with the wind in your hair admire the wonderful views either side of the estuary basin down to Exmouth and drop off at The Turf

Pub ([www.turfpub.net](http://www.turfpub.net)) or the floating Restaurant for refreshment as required.

Timing is very tide sensitive so early planning is necessary.

Guide £150

### **Lot 8 – Two rods for a day dry-fly fishing on the Kennet**



An accompanied day for two rods on the beautiful River Kennet at Hungerford between 1st July and 30<sup>th</sup> September. A splendid picnic lunch will be provided. There are nine beats stretching from the Chilton Foliat fishery downstream to Avington. There is a healthy population of wild brown trout and all fish under 1.5lbs must be returned. The fishing at this time is by dry fly or upstream nymph. There is a limit of four fish per day of takeable size (i.e over 1.5lbs) whether retained or returned. There are exceptional rises of fish to blue winged olive.

Guide £250



### **Lot 9 – A three course lunch for four, with wine**

The launch of what will surely be the Tiverton area's finest gourmet restaurant has just happened and the lucky winners of this lot will be able to take friends or family to sample a sumptuous three course lunch for four, with wine, as guests of the owners Billy and Tatty Heathcoat Amory.

The Lost Kitchen is in Chettiscombe and the centrepiece of the restaurant is the wood fired oven which cooks their steaks, seafood, fish, game and pizzas to mouth-watering perfection.

**Lot 10 Two salmon rods for a weekend on the Nether Exe beat**

Two rods for any weekend, to be arranged with the owner, on the picturesque Nether Exe beat at Thorverton. 1.5 miles of very lightly fished, mostly double bank, beautiful fly water below Thorverton Bridge.

Guide £150



**Lot 11 – Snow on beech - A painting by Rory Nugent**

Rory studied at the Royal College of Art under Paul Huxley and Michael Heindorff.

His work focuses on the basic elements of animal life, water, landscape and the ever changing light on the sea, earth and sky.

Rory has shown his work at the Barbican, South Bank Centre, Cork Street and the Royal Academy in London.

He lives and works in Devon.

[www.rorynugent.co.uk](http://www.rorynugent.co.uk)

150mm x 100mm oil on canvas. Guide £200



**Lot 12 - A side of sustainable cold smoked trout and a side of hot smoked trout**

Guilt free and significantly better quality than farmed smoked salmon. Very kindly donated by river Test based supplier ChalkStream. The fish are grown to the highest standards of welfare, food safety and environmental and ecological care. The quality of the fish produced at ChalkStream is directly related to the quality of the water and the high flow rates of the farms.



Smoked to perfection using the traditional kiln method with oak chippings; one side of cold smoked trout and one side of hot smoked trout. Perfect for a bankside picnic.



It will be delivered free of charge.

Guide £60

**Lot 13 – Leap of Faith by Jo Down**



An original woodcut print framed in light grey wood; Jo has captured the essence of the salmon leaping to return to its natal redds. Guide £175



### **Lot 14 – One gun for a day’s pheasant shooting on Exmoor**

A day for one gun on a very friendly, small driven shoot on Exmoor. Expected bag 30-40 very well presented Exmoor birds. The day includes breakfast in Dulverton, a lunch pit stop and a bite to eat afterwards in the most congenial company.

The date to be taken is 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2021.

Guide - £160



### **Lot 15 - A January day at Stuckeridge**

A 200 high bird day – Henry’s own day - for one gun at Stuckeridge.

Superbly presented birds on one of the very best shoots.



Stuckeridge is in the Loyton Group portfolio and they have a fantastic reputation for providing the best sport and hospitality; they really are world class.

The last day donated by HL produced 250 pheasants.

Lunch at Stuckeridge and full Loyton hospitality are included.

The date for this exciting and unique day is 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

Guide - £750