

EXPOSURE

North Andros Bonefish Adventure/By Glenn Zinkus



A typical North Andros flat on a falling tide—bonefish actively feed when the water is moving between the tides.



A well-stocked bonefish fly box for North Andros should include Gotchas, Crazy Charlies, and Clouser Minnows.



Guide Joe Branham, aka Bonefish Joe, holds up a large bonefish caught in the North Bight of Andros.



Angler and guide set off to wade the flats in search of bonefish.



Wild flora abounds on Andros Island.



A typical North Andros bonefish, this one from the Joulter Cays



One evening, while we were relaxing over pre-dinner drinks after a day on the flats, we made a new friend.



Andros Island guides are among the best in the bonefishing world. They are able boat men, expert spotters, and many times they are trick fly casters. One of our ambidextrous guides could cast an entire fly line with his right hand or his left hand, switching between the two in mid-cast.



North Andros guide Philip Rolle motors along a channel on a typical Joulter Cays flat.



Ron Perry hangs on while a bonefish makes its first long run, the speeding fly line throwing up a rooster tail as it slices through the shallow water. Big bonefish can make several runs well into the backing.



Steve Stratton releases a large bonefish. Andros Island is renowned for large bonefish.



A group of anglers, equipped for a day of flats exploration, walk a typically quiet North Andros village road toward another flat.

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