

River Shannon at Lanesborough

Probably one of Ireland's most famous fisheries and earned its reputation based on huge hauls of bream over five decades. The bream still appear but these days have fierce competition from quality roach and vast numbers of large hybrids. Tench are always on the cards. Certainly the big catches are in April and May when the fish migrate into the warm water channel upstream of the bridge as they rest before pushing on upriver again to spawn.



Species: Quality bream, tench, roach, hybrids, pike and perch

Best baits: Maggots, casters, corn, worms and soft pellets.

Popular methods: Stick float, long pole and feeder fishing.

Local tackle shop: Tooman's Tackle, Carrick-on-Shannon

Access: Easy and concrete banks providing comfortable fishing

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Directions: The nearest major town is Longford and Lanesborough is signposted from there on the N63. The river is in the centre of town.

Useful website: www.lanesbroighangling.ie

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