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SALT **RB**

MORE FIGHT

*"Essentially we added more fight, more pulling power,
without adding more material."*

- Peter Knox / Sage Fly Rod Designer



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MORE TOUCH

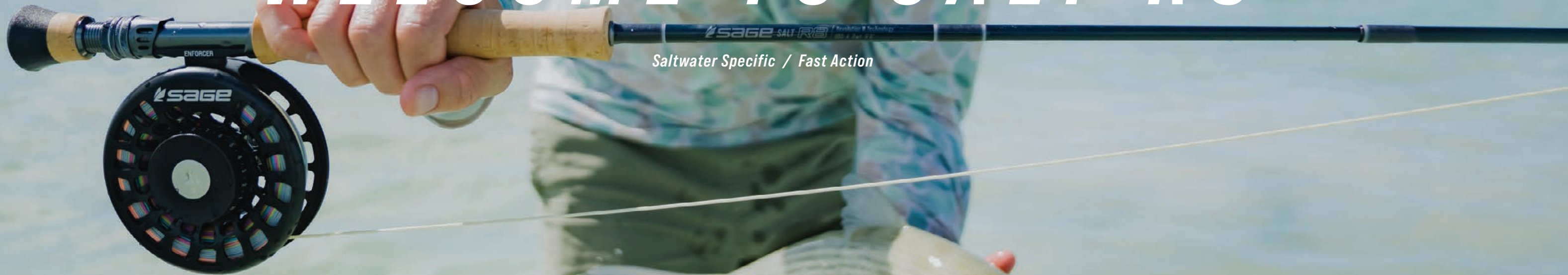
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WELCOME TO SALT R8

SALT R8 / Revolution 8 Technology
Saltwater Specific / Fast Action



IN SALTWATER, SUCCESS IS ABOUT TIMING

Whether maximizing your limited shots for Tarpon or blocking the right moon cycle for a Permit trip—or just delivering a quick, confident cast through wind at distance—saltwater is a game where patience and urgency are equally critical to maximizing opportunity. Whether on idyllic flats, coastal beaches, or backcountry backchannels, you need faith—in your cast, your reaction time, and your choice of rod.

While saltwater locales often move slower, the fishing is faster, the pressure more intense, and the variables more variable. From wind, weather, and tides to spooky fish, seasonal migrations, and salty guides, it's a different game with a different set of rules in venues that range from tournaments and Grand Slam flats to legendary bonefish lodges and hushed redfish beaches. The shots are fewer, the stakes are higher, and seconds matter in sight fishing. By the third false cast, your time—at least for that fish—has passed.

But more than just delivering a fly on demand, saltwater sight fisheries necessitate a different tool than what works for your standard trout stream. A rod that loads quickly and predictably, a sweet spot that is more intuitive to feel. Both more strength to land fish quicker and more touch for precision in short shots. A more durable rod that is built to survive both long skiff runs and remote destinations where a broken rod would be absolutely heartbreaking. A precisely honed taper that will ensure your fly is presented in the right place at the right time.

For Sage, having Revolution 8 Technology in hand meant now was the time to shape a dramatic advancement in saltwater rods that spoke to these truths right from the heart and birthplace of the discipline.

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A RESIDENCE IN SALTWATER

Steeped in Saltwater Knowledge, Insight, and Tradition from our Immersion in the Keys

To really understand what was happening in the heart and soul of saltwater fly fishing, we sent our senior rod designers to the birthplace of the discipline in the Florida Keys. During their lengthy saltwater immersion, they listened carefully to the shops, guides, scientists, stories, and legends to truly understand what was happening on the water and what was really required to shape and hone a more perfect tool for saltwater sight fishing. Steeped in those cumulative decades of tradition, insight, and knowledge, our design team then harnessed the power of Revolution 8 Technology and our precise knowledge of performance rod taper to create what naturally evolved into the fight and touch of the SALT R8 collection.



SALT DESIGN PHILOSOPHY

More Fight, More Touch

Most salt rods are built for pure power and ultimate strength—that is table stakes for the venue and the discipline. With our new R8 graphite, **adding 25% more strength-per-weight** was the easy part—a simple function of material advancement—but one that also increased the fight in the rod even down to our six-weight. We increased the pure pulling power without the need to add more material, fillers or reinforcement. The outcome is simple, providing the ability for faster landing times - reducing fish fatigue and catch-and-release stress on ever so delicate ecosystems.

More strength and fight were an obvious upgrade, yet few salt rods, especially in the heavier weights, achieve the importance of feel for fine touch shots and precise presentations. Shaping a taper that brought this increased touch into the equation took more time. Yet after a long residence in the birthplace of saltwater fly fishing, and working directly with the experienced guides there, our rod designers found the right profile and fiber alignment that delivered strength, fine touch presentation, and a more intuitive sweet spot to a class of rods that have long had a reputation as unwieldy, unforgiving, and difficult. With the SALT R8, gone are the days of sacrificing the feel and touch in your saltwater rod.



STRENGTH VS DURABILITY

Greater Pulling Power plus Knock-Around Toughness

While a strong and durable rod is essential for saltwater environments, strength and durability are not the same thing. But we made sure that our new Salt R8 rods were built with both characteristics.

A salt rod requires strength for the pure pulling power of getting high-stakes fish to the boat quicker, and due to our more advanced graphite, a simple material swap increased our strength by twenty five percent per weight. The key is that this increase in strength did not require adding more material or reinforcement, it was a natural extension of the aerospace material advance in fiber and composition.

At the same time our SALT R8 rods are characterized by enhanced durability, a critical trait in the rougher, tougher, and more remote environments of saltwater fly fishing. Whether the knock-around durability of skiffs and roof racks, the corrosive, abrasive factors of salt and sand, or long travel to remote lodges, a salt rod needs to deliver in the category of durability.





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MADE TO FISH

SALT R8 Key Features



TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT GREATER STRENGTH PER ROD

Significantly increased pulling power maximizes fish-fighting efficiency for faster landing and less stress on trophy fish



HEAVY-DUTY DURABILITY FROM 6WT TO 15WT

Enhanced toughness withstands more rugged situations and the demands of saltwater fly fishing - bringing more reliability in even the most remote of destinations



FIRST CAST TO LAST CAST CONFIDENCE

Load shifted closer to the hand prioritizes touch, feel, and speed for shorter shots and on-demand casts



HEAVY-DUTY REEL SEAT

Heavy-duty reel seat and oversized locking rings keep reel tight to the rod for greater contact, rigidity, and a more direct connection when fighting powerful high-stakes fish



OUTFITTED FOR SALTWATER APPLICATIONS

Saltwater-specific titanium Fuji K-Series stripping guides resist corrosion and trim rod weight



WORRY-FREE TANGLE-FREE

Snag-less and angled guide Fuji K-Series stripping guide architecture helps prevent chaotic line tangling while oversized tip-top and snake guides allow large knots to pass through without hanging up

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Rod Details / Features

- Saltwater Specific / Fast Action
- Revolution 8 Technology
- Tempest Blue blank color
- Titanium Fuji K-Series “tangle free” stripping guides
- Oversized chrome snake guides and tip-top for larger saltwater knots
- Premium Flor Grade Cork Handle w/EVA Butt
- Slate primary thread wraps with graduated White and Grey trim
- Black rod bag with new cord lock for quicker, easier, and cleaner storage

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MSRP: \$1100



SALT RB

THE LINEUP

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RB

690-4

Ultralight Bonefish
All-Around Coastal Cutthroat

790-4

Lightweight Bonefish
Lightweight Redfish

890-4

All-Around Redfish
Flats Sight Fishing Striper
All-Around Bonefish

990-4

Bull Redfish
All-Around Striper
Heavyweight Bonefish
All-Around Permit
Light Duty Baby Tarpon & Snook

1090-4

Heavyweight Redfish
Big Flies & Sink Tips Striper
Heavyweight Permit
Light/Carribbean Tarpon
All-Around Roosterfish
Light Bluewater
All-Around Blitz

1190-4

All-Around Tarpon

1290-4

Heavyweight/Jungle Tarpon

1290-4FG

All-Around Giant Trevally
Midweight Bluewater

1586-4



SALT **RE**

APPLICATIONS

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GRAND SLAM

BONEFISH / PERMIT / TARPON

Tailing Bonefish on the flats, a wary Permit dipping to inspect your fly, the take, fight, and flight of a massive Tarpon. Solving the tides, fighting the wind, poling the flats all for a high-pressure shot with it all on the line. Doing it the right way. To many this is the pinnacle of fly fishing—a passion that was born and raised in The Keys, driven by salty guides and saltier anglers who now make their own annual migrations back to the birthplace or to remote island lodges. From legendary tournaments to guided weeks blocked out years in advance, it's a high stakes game that quickly becomes the only one you'll want to play.

SALT **RB**

BACKYARD

REDFISH / STRIPER / COASTAL CUTTHROAT

For many, saltwater opportunities exist in our own backyard. From the coasts of New England to the beaches and bayous of the Gulf States—to the inland sea of Puget Sound—it's a calling to sight fish the salt so close to home. Defined by local knowledge, seasonal migrations, and tide charts, we plan our days and lives around stalking these wild, beautiful fish. It's a riddle where some days find fish, some do not. Yet it breeds a culture where checking fly patterns at the local shop, driving relentlessly to the next secret beach, or fueling up on corn dogs at the mini mart, are both ritual and routine.

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ADRENALINE

ROOSTERFISH / GT / BLUEWATER / BLITZ

Somewhere out there, adventure awaits at the edge of the sea. Half mythical quest, half lifetime addiction—the action-sport class of saltwater fly fishing draws a rare kind willing to chase adrenaline to the ends of the earth. It's a run and gun pursuit of the holy grails—Roosterfish, Marlin, Dorado, and GTs—but not a journey for the faint of heart. Rugged, remote, and rarely a package deal, these missions are about breaking a few rules and figuring it out as you go. It's a long way to get there and you'll be far gone when you truly arrive—and also maybe a little crazy when Baja, the Seychelles, or Christmas Island have landed on your bucket list.

SALT **RE3**

GRAND SLAM

TARPON / BONEFISH / PERMIT



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TARPON

"THE SILVER KING"



Running into the obsidian glow of a morning waiting to happen, your curiosity sparks. The formidable image of tarpon in formation reminds you that the only thing within your control is breathing. Inhale for six seconds, exhale for six. You can still breathe, right? Cruising under the delight of a sunny day, you know that your cast is an amalgamation of many disciplines: immaculate angles, a hungry tarpon, your perfect fly, a ripping tide, and a fish's compromised judgment must all stand still for a moment. This is your moment, so cast like you know you can. And don't forget to breathe.

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TARPON RODS

"I always say there's only one thing better than catching them by yourself with no one around, and that's catching them with people watching."

— Captain Camp Walker / Florida Keys Fishing Guide

SALT **RB**

Tarpon Models

990-4

Light Duty Baby Tarpon & Snook

Lines

- RIO Elite Flats Pro WF9F

Flies

- Tarpon Toad
- Gurgler
- Bait Fish Patterns
- RIO's Truffle Shuffle

Fisheries

- Ascension Bay Mexico to Belize for Baby Tarpon to the backcountry waters of Florida for Snook

1090-4

Light/Caribbean Tarpon

Lines

- RIO Elite Tarpon WF10F

Flies

- Tarpon Muddlers
- Cockroach
- Tarpon Toad
- Black Death

Fisheries

- Belize, Mexico, or Tarpon averaging 30 - 60 lbs

1190-4

All-Around Tarpon

Lines

- RIO Elite Tarpon WF11F

Flies

- Palolo Worm
- Tarpon Toad
- Cockroach
- Black Death

Fisheries

- Go-to South Florida and Tarpon averaging 50 - 150 lbs + and lighter flies and presentations

1290-4

Heavyweight/Jungle Tarpon

Lines

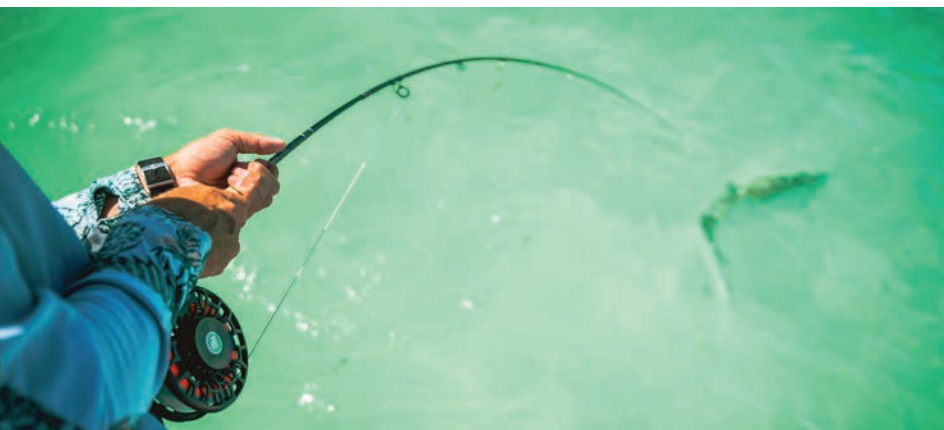
- RIO Elite Tarpon WF12F
- RIO Elite Leviathan 500gr

Flies

- Weighted UV colored
- Minnows and baitfish
- Bunny Tarpon Toads

Fisheries

- Costa Rica deep water Tarpon to huge Gulf Coast Tarpon of Florida





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BONEFISH

"GHOST OF THE FLATS"



In the light that still remains of the day, one tail glints in the evening glow, one unmistakable body quaking across the flat with methodical rhythm. The valves of your heart are working double time as the bonefish tips down. The bonefish feeds like it knows it is being watched, relishing in the spotlight - turning its tail in delight with every bite. You want, more than anything, to just watch - but your line is stripped out, ready to go. So are you. Fluttering a cast within a tail kick from the wakes, the bonefish changes direction toward your fly.

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BONEFISH RODS

“As a species, they are entirely poetic. There’s no fat, it’s all trimmed, totally concise - like a poem, the sentence doesn’t always end, but it’s entirely concise.”

— Joseph Dahut / Writer & Angler

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Bonefish Models

690-4

Ultra-light Bonefish

Lines

- RIO Elite Bonefish WF6F

Flies

- CXI Special
- Gotcha
- Crazy Charlie
- Skinny Water Clouser

Fisheries

- Dead calm conditions or super-skinny water and tight quarters

790-4

Lightweight Bonefish

Lines

- RIO Elite Bonefish WF7F

Flies

- CXI Special
- Gotcha
- Crazy Charlie
- Skinny Water Clouser

Fisheries

- Light winds, light flies, shallow water

890-4

All-Around Bonefish

Lines

- RIO Elite Bonefish WF8F

Flies

- CXI Special
- Gotcha Clouser
- Crazy Charlie
- Mantis Shrimp
- Spawning Shrimp

Fisheries

- All-around from Bahamas, Christmas Island, Belize, Mexico, and the Florida Keys

990-4

Heavyweight Bonefish

Lines

- RIO Elite Bonefish WF9F

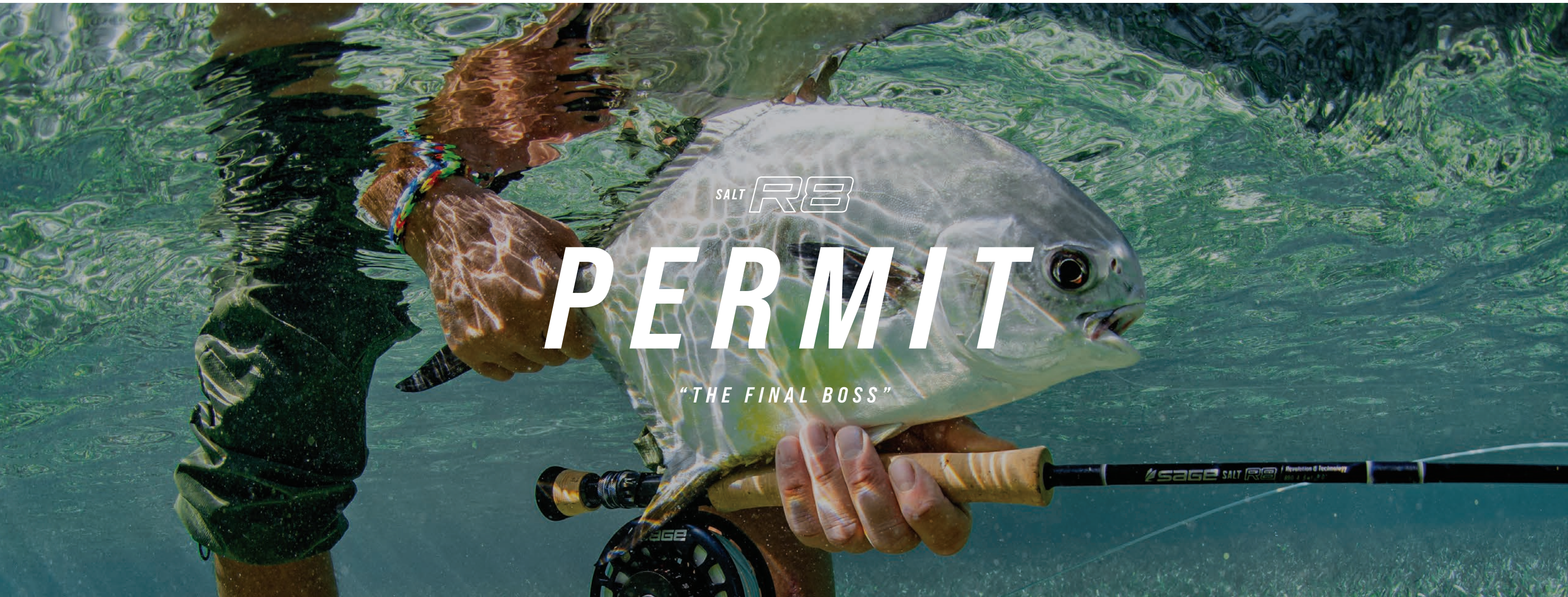
Flies

- Gotcha Heavy
- Small Crabs
- Mantis Shrimp
- Spawning Shrimp

Fisheries

- The Florida Keys & Hawaii





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PERMIT

"THE FINAL BOSS"



Permit will catch you slipping at every opportunity. Brimming with bipolar surprises, a permit is the final boss in flats fishing critique - when you're ready to feel true pain, you start permit fishing. The knees get weak, the mouth becomes dry, the rod and fly become heavier than expected, and the cast gets sloppier than you thought was possible. There is often one opportunity, if you're lucky, and taking it means running in from the bullpen in the ninth inning, game on the line. If everything in permit fishing is left to chance, then today, you'd like to consider yourself lucky.

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PERMIT RODS

“You are never going to win the war with permit. You may have a day you win the battle, but you aren’t winning the war.”

— Captain Michael Guerin / Florida Keys Fishing Guide

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Permit Models

990-4

All-Around Permit

Lines

- RIO Elite Permit WF9F

Flies

- Merkin Crab

- Av

- Raghead Crab

Fisheries

- Florida Keys to Belize, shallower water, moderate winds, light to medium sized flies

1090-4

Heavyweight Permit

Lines

- RIO Elite Permit WF10F

Flies

- Lead Eye Crabs

- Avalon Heavy

- Squimp

- Spawning Shrimp

Fisheries

- Mexico, deeper water, stronger winds, heavier flies



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BACKYARD

REDFISH / STRIPERS / COASTAL CUTTROT





SALT **RE3**

REDFISH

"THE WORKING MAN'S FISH"



It's been almost 24 hours since you left these fish still tailing blissfully, unaware of your presence. You hope to interrupt the feast with a delicate cast to the starboard side of a turquoise blue tail flicking in the muck. You left in a rush this morning, knowing that the intersection of time and tide would only leave the porch light on for you for so long. The motor is up, your line stripped out and stretched. This time, you've given yourself hours to hurry up and wait, and you can hardly wait to see those copper fish cruising.

SALT **R8**

REDFISH RODS



"This Sage SALT R8 has blown my expectations on the ability to pick up line. It's fast enough to beat the wind and slow enough to keep accuracy. For my applications, this is one of the better sticks that I've had."

- Captain Owen Gayler / Texas Coast Fly Fishing Guide

SALT **R8**

Redfish Models

790-4

Lightweight Redfish

Lines

- RIO Premier Redfish WF7F

Flies

- Light/unweighted shrimp, baitfish, & crabs

- RIO's Truffle Shuffle

- RIO's Shrimp Tease Light

Fisheries

- Calm, light wind days inshore and on flood tides

890-4

All-Around Redfish

Lines

- RIO Premier Redfish WF8F

Flies

- Core sizes of shrimp, baitfish, & crabs

- RIO's Boyles Swamp Fox

- RIO's Lagoanatic

Fisheries

- Gulf Coast to the Atlantic Coast, oyster beds to spartina

990-4

Bull Redfish

Lines

- RIO Premier Redfish XP WF9I

Flies

- Heavy weighted or wind resistant shrimp, baitfish, & crabs

- RIO's Boyles Gulp Shrimp

- RIO's Hopedale Crab

Fisheries

- Bull Redfish of Louisiana and across the Gulf Coast

1090-4

Heavyweight Redfish

Lines

- RIO Premier Redfish XP WF10F

Flies

- Heavy weighted or wind resistant shrimp, baitfish, & crabs

- RIO's Boyles Gulp Shrimp

- RIO's Hopedale Crab

Fisheries

- Windy conditions

- Gulf coast bull redfish





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STRIPER

“AMERICA’S GAME FISH”



Your casting arm is sore, and the space between your shoulder blades is black and blue from the business end of a clouser minnow. As there is an almost magnetic attraction to you and striped bass fishing, there is also a love affair that stripers have with nasty weather and wicked winds. Stripers are a fish that will do almost anything a fish can do. They cruise on shallow water flats like bonefish, lay in the soupy surf, plot in the boulder fields offshore, feed subtly in marshes and estuaries. They are the friend that shows up when you've needed them most.

SALT **RB**

STRIPER RODS



"No other fishery in the world can you sight fish a flat, chase a blitz down a beach, spot cruisers in the breakers, and dredge rocky drop-offs - all within a quarter mile radius - then walk across the street for a cold beer and lobster roll when you've had your fill."

— Alex Blouin / Sage Community Manager

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Striper Models

890-4

Flats Sight Fishing Striper

Lines

- RIO Elite Flats Pro WF8F

Flies

- Sand eels, small baitfish, shrimp, & crabs
- RIO's Slime Shady
- Small Clousers
- RIO's Fiddler On The Reef

Fisheries

- Estuarian mud flats of coastal-Maine to expansive white sand flats of Cape Cod

990-4

All-Around Striper

Lines

- RIO Striper WF9F
- RIO Striper WF9I

Flies

- Baitfish, poppers
- Sand eels
- Crabs
- Shrimp

Fisheries

- Maine to Montauk, surf casting to sand flats, tidal rips to blitzing bass

1090-4

Big Flies & Sink Tips Striper

Lines

- RIO Striper WF10I
- RIO Striper 350 gr 8.2 ips Sink

Flies

- Large Baitfish
- Poppers
- Squid

Fisheries

- Maine to Montauk, heavy dredging, wind resistant poppers, rocky shorelines and heavy wash





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COASTAL CUTTHROAT

“SEARUN CUTTIES”



Stepping into the grip of the cold Pacific, the water clings to your waders. Cast, cast, cast. There is something tugging at your absent-minded line, swinging with the current. You lift the rod and find something you never thought you would - a cutthroat mawing at your wooly bugger. You happen to glance up the beach to find the angler in your usual spot is watching you wrangle in the fish that must have swam right past them. The fish kicks its tail back into the water and your cold, wet, gloved hand is back on the rod, ready to swing again.

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COASTAL CUTTHROAT

“Fishing for sea run cutthroat is like saltwater flats fishing on your favorite trout stream. The unique learning curve to be consistently successful at fishing sea runs is unlike any trout fishing in America. The saltwater food sources, tidal flows, flats we target, and the beautiful backdrop that is the Cascades and Olympic ranges. Sea Run Cutthroat fishing mixes the flavors of traditional trout fishing and saltwater fishing in a very fun way.”

— Captain Justin Waters / Puget Sound Fishing Guide

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Coastal Cutthroat Model

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Coastal Cutthroat

Lines

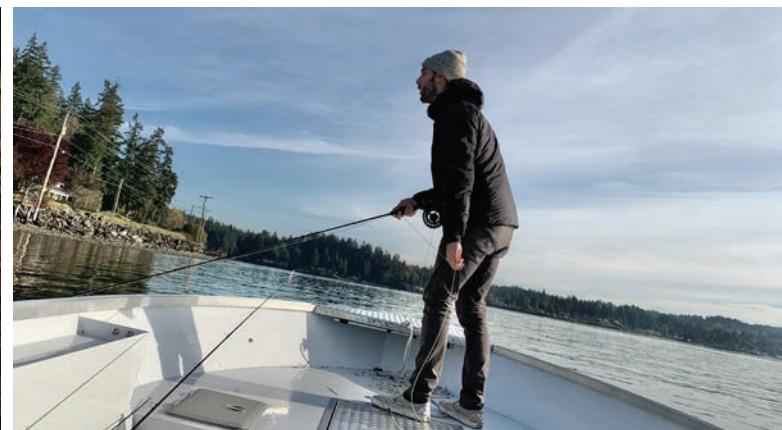
- Shooting Lines
- RIO Outbound Short WF6F/1/S3

Flies

- Small Bait Fish Patterns
- Clouser Minnows
- Bead Head Woolly Buggers

Fisheries

- Beaches and Sounds of the Pacific Northwest



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ADRENALINE

ROOSTERFISH / BLUEWATER / BLITZ





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ROOSTERFISH / GT

“GANGSTERS OF SHALLOW WATER”



Your rod is stuck between your armpit, and a two handed strip suits the fly as it zips through the clear water. The shadow behind it looks interested, now fully committed, and finally, flat out pissed. Suddenly, you hit a brick wall, and the rod becomes parabolic in its bend. The fly line escapes your grasp faster than you ever could have expected, the sand burning your palms. You could care less how your hands feel, because you know you're in for a good one. It's time to fight the impenetrable, the fish of your dreams tossing in the surf.

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ROOSTERFISH / GT RODS

"There's so much adrenaline running through my veins. I've waited over eight years to catch a rooster off the beach; one of my biggest dreams come true."

— Tatum Monod / Professional Backcountry Skier & Adventure Angler

SALT **RB**

Roosterfish / GT Models

1090-4

All-Around Roosterfish

Lines

- RIO Elite Tropical Outbound
Short WF10F/I

Flies

- Gym Sock
- RIO's King Kinky Muddler
- RIO's Big Baitfish

Fisheries

- Baja, Mexico

1290-4FG

*All-Around
Giant Trevally*

Lines

- RIO Elite GT WF12F

Flies

- Tan or Black Brush flies
- Semper
- RIO's Playbate
- RIO's Baby Bonefish
- RIO's Big Baitfish

Fisheries

- Christmas Island and across
the Pacific and Indian Oceans



SALT RB

BLUEWATER

“PELAGIC PURSUITS”



The line between success and failure is as tippy as the horizon line your eyes are locked onto. In this moment of deep despair when time is seemingly stuck, you see spraying bait in all directions. As you toss the fly from the ready position, the rod you are holding feels nothing like the one you cast in the yard. Time is not your friend, and the boat rocks in the midday buzz of adrenaline. You'd like to consider this your Michael Jordan flu game, and as the buzzer sounds, the fly hits the water and disappears, almost instantly.

SALT **RB**

BLUEWATER RODS

“Oh my word, this is mental - this is your shot - just get it in the water and keep the fly moving as fast as you possibly can.”

— George Vandercook / Los Locos Mag Bay



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Bluewater Models

1090-4

Light Bluewater

Lines

- RIO Elite Leviathan
- RIO Tropical Outbound Shot

Flies

- RIO's Big Baifish
- RIO's Needlyhoo
- RIO's Booze Cruise

Fisheries

- Small Tuna and Dorado

1290-4FG

Midweight Bluewater

Lines

- RIO Elite Leviathan
- RIO Billfish Shooting Head

Flies

- Large Sardine, Ballyhoo, Mackerel
- Large Billfish Poppers

Fisheries

- Mid-sized Billfish and Tuna

1586-4

Heavyweight Bluewater

Lines

- RIO Elite Leviathan

Flies

- Large Sardine, Ballyhoo, Mackerel
- Large Billfish Poppers

Fisheries

- Large Billfish and Tuna





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BLITZ

“THE FEEDING FRENZY”



Time is completely still as the cold air creeps through your fingertips and makes your casting hand go numb. The cork on the rod feels unfamiliar, and although you are out of your comfort zone, your movements are somehow excitedly succinct. The casting motion is quick, powerful, and snappy. Laying the fly in the middle of the mosh pit, you strip it erratically, watching it slide through the storm of fish. The moment you start to pick your line up off the water, you come tight to a fish hell bent on reaching the bottom of the ocean. Hold on tight.

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BLITZ RODS

"It's a high-octane game of wack-a-mole. They're there, then over there, then behind you, then a quarter mile down the beach. It's pure euphoric chaos."

— Alex Blouin / Sage Community Manager

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Blitz Models

990-4

Light Duty Blitz

Lines

- RIO Elite Outbound Short WF9I
- RIO Coastal Quickshooter XP WF9I

Flies

- RIO's Nice Glass
- Surf Candy
- RIO's Slime Shady
- Deceivers

Fisheries

- Atlantic False Albacore

1090-4

All-Around Blitz

Lines

- RIO Outbound Short WF10I

Flies

- Peanut Bunker to Anchovies
- RIO's Nice Glass
- RIO's Booze Cruise

Fisheries

- Northeast Albies to Gulf Coast Jacks
- Quick shots into chaotic bait

1290-4

Heavy Duty Blitz

Lines

- RIO Tropical Outbound Short WF12F
- RIO Leviathan 500gr

Flies

- Large Deceivers
- Large Poppers & Gurglers
- RIO's Student Loan
- RIO's Big Baitfish

Fisheries

- Large Gulf Coast Jacks And Tarpon
- During The Mullet Run





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OVERVIEW

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Strength vs Durability | Built For The Battle

While a strong and durable rod is essential for saltwater environments, strength and durability are not the same thing. But we made sure that our new Salt R8 rods were built with both characteristics.

A salt rod requires strength for the pure pulling power of getting high-stakes fish to the boat quicker, and due to our more advanced graphite, a simple material swap increased our strength by twenty five percent per weight. The key is that this increase in strength did not require adding more material or reinforcement, it was a natural extension of the aerospace material advance in fiber and composition.

At the same time our SALT R8 rods are characterized by enhanced durability, a critical trait in the rougher, tougher, and more remote environments of saltwater fly fishing. Whether the knock-around durability of skiffs and roof racks, the corrosive, abrasive factors of salt and sand, or long travel to remote lodges, a salt rod needs to deliver in the category of durability.

Feature Highlights | Saltwater Specific

25% Greater Strength Per Rod - Greater pulling power equals more fight for faster laning and less stress on delicate ecosystems

Enhanced Durability - Enhanced toughness withstands more rugged situations and demands of remote travel

More Intuitive Sweet Spot - Prioritizes touch and speed for shorter shots and on-demand casts

Saltwater Specific Guide Set - Best in class saltwater-specific titanium Fuji K-Series stripping guides resist corrosion, trim rod weight, and offer minimal line friction in abrasive environments

Heavy-Duty Reel Seat - Built for enhanced contact and confidence, heavy-duty reel seat and oversized locking rings keep reel tight to the rod for greater contact, rigidity, and a more direct connection when fighting powerful high-stakes fish

BACKYARD

<i>Coastal Cutthroats</i>	<i>Redfish</i>	<i>Striper</i>
<p>690-4 <i>Coastal Cutthroat</i></p> <p>Lines - Shooting Lines - RIO Outbound Short WF6F/I/S3</p> <p>Flies - Small Bait Fish Patterns - Clouser Minnows - Bead Head Wooly Buggers</p> <p>Fisheries - Beaches and Sounds of the Pacific Northwest</p>	<p>790-4 <i>Lightweight Redfish</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Premier Redfish WF7F</p> <p>Flies - Light/unweighted shrimp, baitfish, & crabs - RIO's Truffle Shuffle - RIO's Shrimp Tease Light</p> <p>Fisheries - Calm, light wind days inshore and on flood tides</p> <hr/> <p>890-4 <i>All-Around Redfish</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Premier Redfish WF8F</p> <p>Flies - Core sizes of shrimp, baitfish, & crabs - RIO's Boyles Swamp Fox - RIO's Lagoonatic</p> <p>Fisheries - Gulf Coast to the Atlantic Coast, oyster beds to spartina</p> <hr/> <p>990-4 <i>Bull Redfish</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Premier Redfish XP WF9I</p> <p>Flies - Heavy weighted or wind resistant shrimp, baitfish, & crabs - RIO's Boyles Gulp Shrimp - RIO's Hopedale Crab</p> <p>Fisheries - Bull Redfish of Louisiana and across the Gulf Coast</p> <hr/> <p>1090-4 <i>Heavyweight Redfish</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Premier Redfish XP WF10F</p> <p>Flies - Heavy weighted or wind resistant shrimp, baitfish, & crabs - RIO's Boyles Gulp Shrimp - RIO's Hopedale Crab</p> <p>Fisheries - Windy conditions - Gulf coast bull redfish</p>	<p>890-4 <i>Flats Sight Fishing Striper</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Flats Pro WF8F</p> <p>Flies - Sand eels, small baitfish, shrimp, & crabs - RIO's Slime Shady - Small Clousers - RIO's Fiddler On The Reef</p> <p>Fisheries - Estuarian mud flats of coastal-Maine to expansive white sand flats of Cape Cod</p> <hr/> <p>990-4 <i>All-Around Striper</i></p> <p>Lines -RIO Striper WF9F -RIO Striper WF9I</p> <p>Flies - Baitfish, poppers - Sand eels - Crabs - Shrimp</p> <p>Fisheries - Maine to Montauk, surf casting to sand flats, tidal rips to blitzing bass</p> <hr/> <p>1090-4 <i>Big Flies & Sink Tips Striper</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Striper WF10I - RIO Striper 350 gr 8.2 ips Sink</p> <p>Flies - Large Baitfish - Poppers - Squid</p> <p>Fisheries - Maine to Montauk, heavy dredging, wind resistant poppers, rocky shorelines and heavy wash</p>

GRAND SLAM

<i>Bonefish</i>	<i>Permit</i>	<i>Tarpon</i>
<p>690-4 <i>Ultralight Bonefish</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Bonefish WF6F</p> <p>Flies - CXI Special - Gotcha - Crazy Charlie - Skinny Water Clouser</p> <p>Fisheries - Dead calm conditions or super-skinny water and tight quarters</p> <hr/> <p>790-4 <i>Lightweight Bonefish</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Bonefish WF7F</p> <p>Flies - CXI Special - Gotcha - Crazy Charlie - Skinny Water Clouser</p> <p>Fisheries - Light winds, light flies, shallow water</p> <hr/> <p>890-4 <i>All-Around Bonefish</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Bonefish WF8F</p> <p>Flies - CXI Special - Gotcha Clouser - Crazy Charlie - Mantis Shrimp - Spawning Shrimp</p> <p>Fisheries - All-around from Bahamas, Christmas Island, Belize, Mexico, and the Florida Keys</p> <hr/> <p>990-4 <i>Heavyweight Bonefish</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Bonefish WF9F</p> <p>Flies - Gotcha Heavy - Small Crabs - Mantis Shrimp - Spawning Shrimp</p> <p>Fisheries - The Florida Keys & Hawaii</p>	<p>990-4 <i>All-Around Permit</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Permit WF9F</p> <p>Flies - Merkin Crab - Av - Raghead Crab</p> <p>Fisheries - Florida Keys to Belize, shallower water, moderate winds, light to medium sized flies</p> <hr/> <p>1090-4 <i>Heavyweight Permit</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Permit WF10F</p> <p>Flies - Lead Eye Crabs - Avalon Heavy - Squimp - Spawning Shrimp</p> <p>Fisheries - Mexico, deeper water, stronger winds, heavier flies</p>	<p>990-4 <i>Light Duty Baby Tarpon & Snook</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Flats Pro WF9F</p> <p>Flies - Tarpon Toad - Gurgler - Bait Fish Patterns - RIO's Truffle Shuffle</p> <p>Fisheries - Ascension Bay Mexico to Belize for Baby Tarpon to the backcountry waters of Florida for Snook</p> <hr/> <p>1090-4 <i>Light/Caribbean Tarpon</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Tarpon WF10F</p> <p>Flies - Tarpon Muddlers - Cockroach - Tarpon Toad - Black Death</p> <p>Fisheries - Belize, Mexico, or Tarpon averaging 30 - 60 lbs</p> <hr/> <p>1190-4 <i>All-Around Tarpon</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Tarpon WF11F</p> <p>Flies - Palolo Worm - Tarpon Toad - Cockroach - Black Death</p> <p>Fisheries - Go-to South Florida and Tarpon averaging 50 - 150 lbs + and lighter flies and presentations</p> <hr/> <p>1290-4 <i>Heavyweight/Jungle Tarpon</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Tarpon WF12F - RIO Elite Leviathan 500gr</p> <p>Flies - Weighted UV colored - Minnows and baitfish - Bunny Tarpon Toads</p> <p>Fisheries - Costa Rica deep water Tarpon to huge Gulf Coast Tarpon of Florida</p>

ADRENELINE

<i>Roosterfish / GT</i>	<i>Bluewater</i>	<i>Blitz</i>
<p>1090-4 <i>All-Around Roosterfish</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Tropical Outbound Short WF10F/I</p> <p>Flies - Gym Sock - RIO's King Kinky Muddler - RIO's Big Baitfish</p> <p>Fisheries - Baja, Mexico</p> <hr/> <p>1290-4FG <i>All-Around Giant Trevally</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite GT WF12F</p> <p>Flies - Tan or Black Brush flies - Semper - RIO's Playbate - RIO's Baby Bonefish - RIO's Big Baitfish</p> <p>Fisheries - Christmas Island and across the Pacific and Indian Oceans</p>	<p>1090-4 <i>Light Bluewater</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Leviathan - RIO Tropical Outbound Shot</p> <p>Flies - RIO's Big Baifish - RIO's Needlyhoo - RIO's Booze Cruise</p> <p>Fisheries - Small Tuna and Dorado</p> <hr/> <p>1290-4FG <i>Midweight Bluewater</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Leviathan - RIO Billfish Shooting Head</p> <p>Flies - Large Sardine, Ballyhoo, Mackerel - Large Billfish Poppers</p> <p>Fisheries - Mid-sized Billfish and Tuna</p> <hr/> <p>1586-4 <i>Heavyweight Bluewater</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Leviathan</p> <p>Flies - Large Sardine, Ballyhoo, Mackerel - Large Billfish Poppers</p> <p>Fisheries - Large Billfish and Tuna</p>	<p>990-4 <i>Light Duty Blitz</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Elite Outbound Short WF9I - RIO Coastal Quickshooter XP WF9I</p> <p>Flies - RIO's Nice Glass - Surf Candy - RIO's Slime Shady - Deceivers</p> <p>Fisheries - Atlantic False Albacore</p> <hr/> <p>1090-4 <i>All-Around Blitz</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Outbound Short WF10I</p> <p>Flies - Peanut Bunker to Anchovies - RIO's Nice Glass - RIO's Booze Cruise</p> <p>Fisheries - Northeast Albies to Gulf Coast Jacks - Quick shots into chaotic bait</p> <hr/> <p>1290-4 <i>Heavy Duty Blitz</i></p> <p>Lines - RIO Tropical Outbound Short WF12F - RIO Leviathan 500gr</p> <p>Flies - Large Deceivers - Large Poppers & Gurglers - RIO's Student Loan - RIO's Big Baitfish</p> <p>Fisheries - Large Gulf Coast Jacks And Tarpon During The Mullet Run</p>



SALT AREB



The logo for SAGE, featuring a stylized white fish icon to the left of the word "SAGE" in a bold, italicized, white sans-serif font.