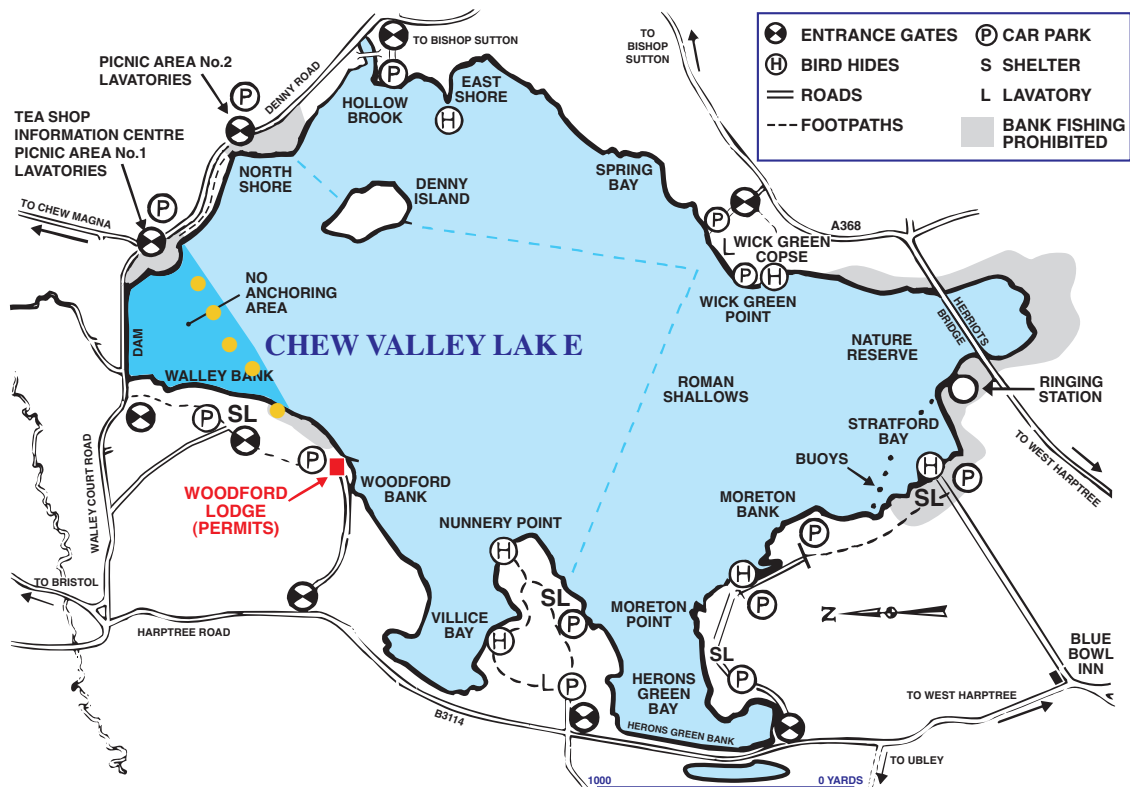


One of the best stocked fisheries in Europe famous for the 'top of the water' sport

# Chew Valley



**C**hew Valley is famous around the world for its scenic beauty and top quality sport. The size and condition of the trout caught here is second to none and anglers find success using a wide variety of fishing methods and fly patterns. It is a relatively shallow water with an average depth of only 14ft at top level and a maximum depth of just 37ft. The area it covers was once rich farmland, and is now fertile ground for the aquatic life so necessary for quality trout fishing. When visiting the lake always contact our knowledgeable staff at Woodford Lodge for

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Season March 16 to November 30

Total catch last season 23,178

Rod Returns 6,963

Average per rod 3.3

Average weight 21lb 6oz

Best fish Brown 12lb 10oz  
 Rainbow 14lb 2oz

Fish Stocked 48,450

the best areas, flies and fishing methods.

There is a fleet of 32 motorboats for hire to fish on Chew Valley. Advance booking is advisable especially on weekends but can only be accepted on a two rod basis. Boats not reserved in advance can be booked on the day for afternoon or evening fishing sessions. There is also a Wheely Boat at Chew. This boat, specially designed for use by anglers in wheelchairs, is available by advance booking only. Lifejackets must be worn by all boat fishermen, and these are available for loan on request. Anchoring is not permitted from the Dam to the line of yellow buoys between the North Shore and The Sailing Club. No boats are allowed in the area marked off by white buoys in front of the Stratford bird hide.

Bank fishing is allowed around much of the lake perimeter. Wading is allowed although care must be taken and deep holes and ditches and areas of soft mud occur all around the lake. No fishing is allowed in front of the picnic areas, the dam or Herons Green embankment or in front of the Sailing Club.

## 2009 Permit Prices (per person)

<b>Boat</b>	Day £32.00	8am £26.50
	Afternoon £26.50	Evening £20.50
<b>Bank</b>	Day £15.50	Afternoon £12.50

Full details of all permit prices are on page 19.



Chris Reynolds - 12lb 10oz brown



David Johnson Norton - 7lb 8oz