

Aqua Services, Inc.'s Biologist, Norman V. Haley's Summary on White Oak Valley Plantation's Blue Buck Lake:

“Although anyone can dig a basin, stock, lime, and fertilize a pond, the WOVP extends beyond any of those mundane expectations and results. No expense or effort was spared in the planning, permitting, construction, stocking, and maintenance of this lake. In 2007, all of this forethought and investment came to fruition as WOVP was completed.

The main lake is also becoming more unique by the day as dam permits, particularly for sites as large as this water body, are becoming increasingly rare. WOVP presents an extraordinary opportunity to own an exceptional water body, not only in its size, but also in its fishing quality.

From day one, the primary management goal for WOVP has been the production and management of trophy largemouth bass. No clearer evidence of such management can be found than in the fish that WOVP has produced in its first three years in existence. WOVP has produced some of the fastest largemouth bass growth that Aqua Services, Inc. has been a witness to. An example of this is a 7.4lb bass that Aqua Services, Inc. collected during their electrofishing survey of the lake's fish populations on June 9, 2010 that was a mere 3 years old. This suggests substantial growth that is unlike the average lake or pond in the Southeastern U.S. Forage in the form of bream, crawfish, frogs, minnows, and threadfin shad have all been stocked at exaggerated rates in order to provide the nutrient base that predatory fish demand. In addition, an extreme harvest regimen of largemouth bass has been followed in order to reduce the competition for these food resources and allow for optimal growth. In addition, further angling opportunities are provided by the smallmouth bass and hybrid crappie that have been stocked in the lake, both of which are a rarity in Southeastern impoundments.

Now, as for finding where these trophy fish may live, the work involved in locating the best structure and fishing hotspots in the lake has already been done. Unlike most properties, during the construction phase of the WOVP, forethought to the angling success of its future residents was apparent in the way of painstakingly marking and mapping 57 would-be points of interest to anglers. Brush piles, rock humps, ledges, drop-offs, and lake points, have all been marked via GPS coordinates and a lake map of the location of these structures has been filed away like a treasure map with an “X” over the lake's honey holes....”

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