

Wolf and Broad Lakes

LOCATION: Approximately 5 miles northwest of Yazoo City on Hwy. 49 W.

SIZE: 900 acres.

DEPTH: Depth varies from 6 to 16 feet.

AQUATIC VEGETATION: Duckweed.

MAJOR SPORTFISH: Largemouth bass, crappie, bream (bluegill), channel catfish.

OTHER FISH: Bowfin, buffalo, common carp, drum, green sunfish, yellow bass, white bass, gar.

FISH FORAGE: Shad, silversides, minnows.

VISIBLE COVER: Cypress trees, button bush.

BOTTOM FEATURES: Man-made fish structures, drop-offs.

FISHING LICENSE: CALL 1-800-5-GO-HUNT

GUIDE SERVICES: CALL 1-800-270-DELTA



MAN-MADE FISH STRUCTURES:

Approximately 100 Christmas trees were placed at the end of the finger where Wolf and Broad Lakes connect (see map). (1-3) The trees were placed in the shape of a triangle in 16' to 19' of water.

ACCESS: There are two boat ramps located on Wolf Lake. Sally's Wolf Lake Grocery is located on Highway 49 W near the finger which drains Wolf and Broad Lakes. A concrete ramp is located behind the store; it is a pay-to-launch facility. There is a public ramp (Ivanhoe Landing) on the back side of the lake which is located across from "Shake On The Lake".

DESCRIPTION: Wolf and Broad Lakes consist of a section of the Yazoo River which has long been abandoned. Depending on the starting and ending points, the lake is anywhere from 15 to 20 miles in length. The lakes' water level can vary 10' during the year. The finger where Sally's Wolf Lake Grocery is located is the lakes' draining and spring flooding point. It is also the dividing point between Broad Lake (lower end) and Wolf Lake (upper end). In high

water years the Yazoo River will back into Lake George, which floods Deep Creek eventually finding it's way into Wolf and Broad Lakes. At normal water levels, water depth varies down to 16' which is the deepest hole; it is found out from the finger. The width of the lakes are anywhere from 60 yards in the narrow reaches to 200 yards at the widest bend. The lakes' water color is muddy year around, especially in spring. When local anglers say it's "clearing up" in the early summer, the water is dropping and the color is changing, beginning on the upper end of Wolf Lake. This color change slowly moves down the lake to the drainage point. The clearest it gets is usually in the fall and visibility is 10 to 12 inches in depth. Broad Lake never clears up significantly and is a shallow stump filled mud flat. In 1985, largemouth bass (Florida strain) were released into the lakes. Currently, bass caught weigh from 2 to 7-1/2 pounds. They are described as premium crappie lakes where 1-1/2 and greater fish will make up approximately 40% of the catch. The lakes are virtually unfished early in the year because of the difficulty of catching fish when the water is high and muddy. When the color begins to change, fishing improves. Bait, fuel and groceries can be purchased at Sally's Wolf Lake Grocery.



