

Randy Richter – Cedar Rapids, IA Program: Rumble in the Jungle + Preparing for Destination Trips

Randy is an Iowa native, growing up in Independence, practically on the banks of the Wapsipinicon River, and now lives in Cedar Rapids. He bought his first fly rod at age twelve with the proceeds from his first job, walking beans (as many young Iowans have done). Since then, things have progressed a bit.



Randy is a true multi-species enthusiast having landed 293 species of fish on a fly. These include a 300-pound tiger shark (one of a few people in the world to land a tiger shark on fly), a sawfish, and a redbtail catfish. Randy began hosting trips to South America six years ago, introducing over 40 anglers to the joys of tangling with such fish as peacock bass, and golden dorado.

There are plenty of places in the US that keep Randy busy and he is just as happy plying the waters around Cedar Rapids for carp, buffalo, and smallmouth bass. Randy often travels with his favorite fishing partner and lovely wife, Terri, who is an accomplished fly gal in her own right with over 120 species to her credit. Randy can't wait to see what 2024 brings!

Rumble in the Jungle!

Join Randy as he shares about one of his favorite regions in the world to fish, the Amazon Jungle, a place he has been to six times. We will take a look at what might motivate an angler to travel and fish.



We will specifically look at the Agua Boa River, a clear water tributary in Brazil, where you can sight fish for giant peacock bass over white sand flats (yep, like bonefishing!) We'll look at some of the fish one might encounter there, and Randy will share stories about some of the unique critters that you might come across as well.

Where else can you grab a seventeen-foot anaconda by the tail! If you think you will never make it to the Amazon but love to fly fish, it will give you something to dream about. Dreams are good.

If you do plan to do some fishing and traveling, Randy will give some pointers on how to prepare for any trip abroad.