



## **Trout Heritage Day/Rapidan TU Kid's Fishing Day**

**When: April 7, 2018, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM/Fishing starts at 9:00 AM**

**Where: Graves Mountain Lodge, Syria, Virginia**

The Rapidan Chapter of Trout Unlimited (TU), Graves Mountain Lodge (GML) and the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) are partnering to provide an exciting and educational day of free trout fishing just for kids on the Rose River. DGIF heavily stocks the GML section of the river with trout and reserves the river for children 12 and under. Any legal tackle may be used and six fish may be kept. For kids ages 13-18, fishing is available on a catch and release, artificial lures only basis in a stocked pond. TU volunteers will be available for assistance on the river and at the pond.

Rapidan TU also provides hands-on fly and spin casting, fly tying, and knot tying instruction and collects aquatic insects from the river for viewing and identification. Information on conservation, habitat management, stream monitoring and the annual Trout Unlimited Tri-State Conservation and Fishing Camp for kids is offered. Kid's Fishing Day is the primary event of GML's Heritage Day. Other concessions, exhibits and activities are provided by GML and DGIF. There are no admission fees or any requirement for pre-registration. Hot food is available for purchase.

See [rapidantu.org](http://rapidantu.org) and [gravesmountain.com](http://gravesmountain.com).

- Fly casting and spin casting lessons start at 10:00 beside the Sycamore Pavilion
- Fly tying and knot tying instruction starts at 10:00 inside the Sycamore Pavilion
- Aquatic insect collection and identification starts at 12:00 at streamside



**Bring your kids for a memorable day of fun and learning in the great outdoors.** Upon arrival, stop at the Sycamore Picnic Pavilion for a free gift for each child and to register for raffles to be held throughout the day.