Fishery: Agriculture on the lake

Fishery on the Bavarian lakes, especially here on Lake Ammer, has a century-old history and is thus part of our cultural heritage. Of course, the equipment has evolved, but the way in which the nets and fish traps are deployed as well as the types of fish that are caught have remained unchanged.

From one generation to the next, great care has been taken to avoid depletion of fish stocks and to preserve the fishing resources for the future.

Careful management to protect fish stocks

The foresight of the past is the foundation for the yields of today. Of course, this is first and foremost the responsibility of the fishers.

Sustainability is assured by adherence to minimum landing sizes, which ensure that only fish which have spawned at least once in their lives are caught. The right choice of mesh size is the main factor for guaranteeing the minimum landing size is met. There are also closure periods which ensure that the different species of fish can procreate undisturbed. This in turn implies seasonality for the catch: fish like coregonus or sander all year round is not an option.

If you are prepared to accept the seasonality and appreciate not only the quality and freshness of the fish, but also the sustainability of the catch, the local fishers will provide you with a premium and environmentally-friendly food of traceable origin. And this helps preserve our cultural fishery heritage.

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