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Re: Guide Tipping

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If you think he went above and beyond to ensure you had a good trip, then why shouldn't he get \$100 per day, although no one has said anything about that. I'm in college. I don't have a ton of money, and I don't want to have to tip any more than anyone else, but I've had people give me guided trips as gifts or invited me to come with them, and I pay my share of the tip. I went alone for a half day and tipped the guy 20 bucks. When I did a full day with someone else, I think we each tipped 20 as well. The point is that the guide deserves a tip. If you did an \$1100 trip, no one's saying you should tip 20% of that for one day, but you should give your guide a fair amount per day that he works for you. Not to mention for a tuna trip you have much more expensive boat maintenance and way higher expenditures on gas to get to and from your fishing location. The price is dependent on the costs. A walk and wade is cheaper than a float trip is cheaper than an off shore.

And yes, the high number of "rich noobs" is an example of demand influencing the price. A good guide is going to be booked 6 days a week for most/all of prime time. As long as the demand is high enough, he can charge whatever price he wants as long as he's sufficiently filling his calendar. I don't know why you think you should have to pay any less just because you're better at fly fishing than some guy and his son who want to learn.