



Wahoo can spice up a day of Bahamas fishing by tearing through a trolling spread without warning. (below right) In the waters off Cat, heavy tackle is a must for bringing in hooked fish quickly to keep them away from sharks.

joyed an incredible wahoo trip to nearby San Salvador last year. So when I got the opportunity to fish the area again this past May with friend Ray McConnell, I jumped at the chance.

The owner of Ray's Offshore Tackle in Boca Raton, Florida, and the U.S. distributor for Bluewater Trolling Lures, McConnell is a skilled big-game fisherman. He and I were guests aboard Trey Rhine's 54-foot Bertram, the *Over Under*, for some offshore fishing around Cat Island.

The *Over Under* operation offers the convenience of quickly getting to a remote island like Cat (roughly 290 miles by air and 330 miles by boat from Ft. Lauderdale) and the opportunity to fish with a top-notch crew aboard a quality boat. Co-skipped by Rhine and Pete Fischer, the *Over Under* offers all-inclusive, custom fishing packages to the southeastern Bahamas from January through July. Their schedule includes San Salvador, Rum Cay and Cat Island, with private air transportation on *Over Under* Aviation.

McConnell and I met Rhine and his Piper Aztec at Ft. Lauderdale's Executive Airport, and 2 1/2 hours later we were checked into our rooms at the Hawk's Nest Resort and Marina on Cat Island. Talk about an easy travel day.

The next morning at 7:00 we hopped aboard the *Over Under* and headed for Columbus Point. Located 12 miles

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