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*Here I'm fishing near a fallen log. It creates an ideal holding spot for fish especially during high pressure systems. The beating sun, clarity of the water, and the movements of shadow all conspire to put fish off the bite. Find any submerged structure and you will find holding fish. As a twist, take note that I'm fishing back from the water. The river was running with unlimited visibility and the time of day cast long shadows. By Fishing parallel to shadows any fish in the water will be unable to see me cast or wade.*

This is one of those fishing tips that old-timers try to keep from the rest of us. Fishing structure is the single best way to ferret out fish. The great thing about fishing structure is you don't need to read water, though I always recommend learning to read water. Any stretch of water that has structure in it will house fish. Logs, Piers, Branches, Marinas, and even moored boats are all great places to start fishing; however, there are some necessary drawbacks to fishing near structure. Smart anglers will lose a lot of fishing gear to snags found near structure, but that's the name of the game. To consistently get fish on the bite you have to fish the snags, which is also known as structure. If you're not fishing snags you're not fishing the fish.