

State Shad Festival of North Carolina: Grifton Shad Festival

In 2011, the General Assembly designated the town of Grifton's Shad Festival as the Official Shad Festival of the State of North Carolina.

The Grifton Shad Festival is the oldest festival in Pitt County, and one of the oldest in Eastern North Carolina. It was first held in 1970 and has since grown to over 5,000 visitors a year.

Events at the festival include a fishing contest, a Shad throwing contest, a Miss Grifton Shad Queen pageant, a Fishy Tales lying contest, and SHAD-O (bingo). The festival also has nights of live music and street dancing, a car & truck show, a cornhole tournament, an art show, kayak and canoe races, a 5K mud run, and a parade.



Find this activity sheet and others at NCpedia: <http://ncpedia.org/ncpedia-fun-activities>
NCpedia article on the State Shad Festival: <https://www.ncpedia.org/shad-festival-grifton-shad>

Coloring page: <https://www.supercoloring.com/coloring-pages/fishing-day-with-dad>