

Our Story



Captain Sam Shragge has loved being on the water since his father showed him the ropes at a young age. He'll never forget spearing his first fish in the San Clemente waters just off the coast of California.

As Sam grew up, his fishing skills strengthened and he decided to follow his calling. In 2015, Sam graduated from the Texas Maritime Academy with an MS in Maritime Admin & Logistics. His passion led him all over the world, but consistently back to Florence, Oregon where he'd fish for Chinook (king) salmon with his cousins every fall.

After a string of impersonal, unfulfilling jobs, and losing his mother to breast cancer in 2017, Sam was craving community. In December 2018, he joined his mother's family on the Oregon coast, bought a major fixer upper, and invested in a boat. Sam caught scores of salmon, smoked them, and gave the fillets away to friends and family. Soon enough, the demand greatly exceeded the supply, and Sam knew he was working with something special. He upgraded to the F/V Cordelia—the ultimate day boat for fishing the Pacific Northwest—and officially launched Federated Seafood Co.

Out and back in the same day, fish are caught by rod & reel and iced right away. Whether fishing solo or working with partner boats along the shore, Sam guarantees each fish is handled with the utmost care the moment it comes out of the water. Better handling results in better quality fish. Sam aims to serve his community by providing the highest quality fish at a fair price.

We catch “local fish for local people” and we invite you, our neighbors, to share in the beautiful bounty of the incomparable Oregon coast.