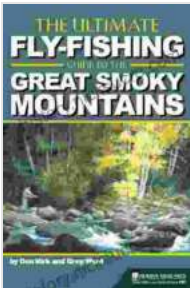


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The Great Smoky Mountains are a fly fishing paradise, with countless rivers and streams teeming with trout. The park's diverse aquatic ecosystem supports a variety of trout species, including rainbow trout, brown trout, and brook trout. Whether you're a seasoned angler or just starting out, the Smokies offer something for everyone.

Where to Fish

There are over 2,000 miles of fishable streams in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Some of the most popular rivers for fly fishing include:

- **Little River:** The Little River is a great choice for beginners, with plenty of easy-to-access fishing spots. The river is home to a healthy population of rainbow trout and brown trout.

- **Middle Prong of the Little River:** The Middle Prong is a bit more challenging than the Little River, but it offers some of the best fly fishing in the park. The river is known for its large rainbow trout and brown trout.
- **Big Creek:** Big Creek is a great place to fish for brook trout. The creek is home to a healthy population of wild brook trout, and the scenery is beautiful.
- **Cataloochee Creek:** Cataloochee Creek is a popular destination for fly fishermen. The creek is home to a variety of trout species, including rainbow trout, brown trout, and brook trout.
- **Oconaluftee River:** The Oconaluftee River is a large river that offers a variety of fishing opportunities. The river is home to rainbow trout, brown trout, and smallmouth bass.

What Flies to Use

The best flies to use in the Great Smoky Mountains will vary depending on the time of year and the water conditions. However, some general tips include:

- **Dry flies** are a good choice for fishing in the summer months. Some popular dry flies include the Adams, the Parachute Adams, and the Elk Hair Caddis.
- **Nymphs** are a good choice for fishing in the spring and fall months. Some popular nymphs include the Hare's Ear, the Pheasant Tail, and the Prince Nymph.
- **Streamers** are a good choice for fishing in the winter months. Some popular streamers include the Woolly Bugger, the Muddler Minnow, and

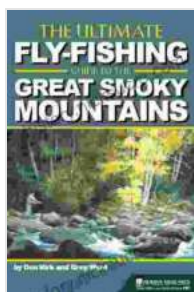
the Clouser Minnow.

How to Catch Fish

Fly fishing is a challenging but rewarding sport. Here are a few tips to help you catch fish in the Great Smoky Mountains:

- **Cast accurately:** The key to fly fishing is to cast accurately. This takes practice, but it will pay off in the long run.
- **Retrieve your fly smoothly:** Once you've cast your fly, retrieve it smoothly. This will help you keep your fly in the strike zone.
- **Set the hook quickly:** When you feel a fish strike your fly, set the hook quickly. This will help you keep the fish from getting away.
- **Play the fish carefully:** Once you've hooked a fish, play it carefully. This will help you avoid losing the fish.

Fly fishing in the Great Smoky Mountains is a great way to experience the beauty of the park and catch some fish. With a little planning and preparation, you can have a successful fly fishing trip to the Smokies.



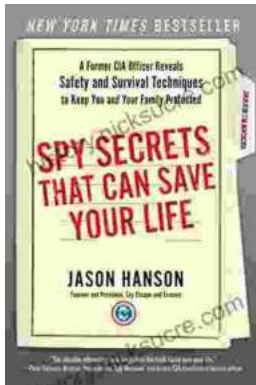
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