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Re: Surf Fishing

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Fishidiot wrote:

Gfen gave some good advice (if a bit pessimistic) 😞

To be honest, my attempts at fly fishing the surf have been absolutely abysmal, BUT... I've never had as much fun fishing for trout as I do at the beach. I cannot wait to go back this year, and am anxiously trying to convince my surf-fishing friends they need to take up light tackle and work some small, sheltered water so I have buddies.

The best part about it is that you never know what exactly is on the end of that line, and since they're fish that live in the oceans, and more specifically the surf zone, they've got power that no trout can possess. Even the 8" snapper blues I was catching on a 10wt were putting a nice little bed in the superfast 10wt I took last time.

This year, I'm taking the 10wt and a 5wt for back-ups and special needs, but I plan on plying the inlet, tidal creeks and beach surf with a 6wt switch, which is effectively throwing an 8wt line.

FWIW, if I had a real 8, I probably wouldn't bother with the 10wt at all. When I was shopping for it, I would open with the lines "stripers in the surf," and salesmen and advice-givers would glaze over and point at the big guns. If I were in your position, I'd just strip the line off that 6wt and put on an 8wt line and not sweat a new reel.

You'll want to see how badly the bug bites you for that.. ;)