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Fun and different

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Saltwater fly fishing is like the final frontier to me. (might not feel that way if I lived closer to salt water, seems a little mysterious)

So many waters and species to fish- you never what can end up on your line- as was previously stated.

I think salt water is a little more difficult than trout fishing for two reasons. One is, so much of the water seems the same- many times pretty featureless- so spots to fish are not as obvious as trout fishing.

But again, not having much time to explore areas or have tons of cash to hire guides. Not to mention elusive "runs" of fish are infrequent. Guess, chalk that up to experience. As with experience you can begin to narrow down areas, tides, time of day, winds etc...

Secondly is casting. Salt can really test your casting abilities. Shooting a line 50 feet or more is nothing for saltwater- throw in some wind and that makes for a sore arm.

I enjoy it though. It's a challenge and will make you a better caster. For me, I can usually wade closer when fishing for trout where I really don't have to double haul. Salt kinda forces me to get better.

Some guys will make casts into the surf and then put the rod under their arm and strip line in with two hands. It seems like an easy concept but it was hard to get used for me. Guess I need more time working on that.

Can't wait to boat a Tarpon some day. I think about it a lot- I anticipate many hookups ending in failure before I am able to boat one.

In the several times I have salt fished- clousers, shrimp and crab patters have worked for me. It's a nice change of pace-good luck.