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Just finished this little book this evening. Stroup's major premise is to control drift, and he spends much time with the ways to achieve the proper drift thru approach, etc. Also included are short chapters on dry-fly and nymph fishing. He also includes his favorite flies. The book is well worth the 8 dollars I spent on it, and it would be a nice manual for beginners. To me, it was interesting how much differently from me he likes to fish or to have his clients fish, and maybe that's why it sounds like he/they catch more fish than I do, too. Among other things, I hate to fish with much extra weight; he loves it. When we were arguing on another site, he facetiously said that he ought to guide me sometime (implying that I am as lousy a fisherman as I probably am), and I probably should have taken him up on it! I think he got in a bit of a hurry, though: He obviously knows a lot more that he included in this small book, and I think he should have expanded the book to include more of what he knows and probably more anecdotes to illustrate what he knows. But, for the price you can buy it, it is easily well worth the money -- and, it's a fly-fishing book, not something obliquely related to fly-fishing that is being marketed as one. Even we old codgers who've been at it for a long, long time can pick up some tips in this book.