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Hello, I have wanted to learn to fly fish for years. I hike a great deal in central Pa. I always bring a spinning rod for brookies in some of the tiny creeks that I camp near, but I have felt it was cheating somehow. I just feel like fly fishing seems so much more natural. But I have just never had the time and never knew anyone once we moved to Philly (when I was 10) who knew how.

I purchased an Orvis rod, a number of books and some flies last year, but I haven't been very successful at teaching myself.

For Christmas my girlfriend took pity on me and got me the best gift. She will schedule a 1/2 day private lesson with on-stream instruction at either TCO or at the Sporting Gentleman.

I have read through this thread [http://www.paflyfish.com/modules/newb ... ype=&topic\\_id=270&forum=4](http://www.paflyfish.com/modules/newb...ype=&topic_id=270&forum=4)

And considering I am a newbie does it matter where I go? Any recommendations?

I currently live directly in downtown Philly. I am leaning towards Sporting Gentleman due to its proximity to Ridley Creek which I hear is very good to fish.