
Subject: : Fly Fishing Locations

Topic: : Fly fishing the Catskills

Re: Fly fishing the Catskills

Author: : wbranch

Date: : 2012/8/10 8:24:16

URL:

There are millions of words written about those two rivers. Go to catskillflies.com a neat website based in Roscoe, NY. They are a brick and mortar fly shop with guide service. They also post daily stream conditions for the Beaverkill, Willowemoc, Neversink, and the Delaware system. They also have a forum at the web site where you could probably do a search for info. Just google it and you will probably get thousands of hits.

I used to live in NJ and fished the BK and Willow every weekend for over twenty years. They are both good fisheries but bear in mind you are going when pretty much all of the major, and consistent hatches, are long gone. Also both the BK and Willow are undammed freestone rivers and often in September and October can be very low unless there are significant rains in those months.

You might expect to see some Iso's and some Baetis if you can get cloudy drizzly days. There is a very nice No Kill section that begins about 1/2 mile below the fly fishing museum. It is at least three miles long. There are two No Kill sections on the BK. One starts about a mile below Junction Pool and the other is in Horton.

Remember the NYS trout season closes September 30 so the only water on those rivers that is open will be the No Kill sections. Most of both rivers is paralleled by what is locally called "Old Rte 17". There are ample places to park on the BK but far fewer places to park on the Willow.

PM me if you want to know more specifics. I can also tell you the most direct route to get to Roscoe.