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Just started reading up on this fishing style. WHat can I say, I don't know why I ever used an indicator. I will be getting a longer rod for this technique because my arm gets a little tired with a 9' rod. The fish in the net hit my anchor fly, a size 6 heavy weighted stone fly.

The second, larger trout, hit my "Twisted Caddis" larva patern. I believe i had posted it earlier this month. I love this patern! Simply put, IT WORKS. The fish like it and thats all that matters to me. An added bonus is that it only takes about 2 min to tie. This was one of my hardest fighting fish of the year.

With keeping your line high above the water, you reduce drag and detect a strike very quickly. You want to use the water tension and slowly guide your flies with the current. Your set up shold be a standard nymph with a heavy "anchor fly" below. I did not get to order and tungsten yet but believe me it will be filling up my arsenal. I have attached a few of the anchor flies i had done up. I will be getting some embroidery thread to start weaving as awell.

I did not tie up any Euro leaders yet but the concept is to have a short leader with a bright section of monofilament line to increase visibility. I had only used the end of my fly line this day. I think this will be the most productive way to catch fish in fast water.

I had also just got my reel from Risen Fly. I caught the smaller rainbow on the first cast. The drag on the reel is perfect. My instincts took over and I had fought this fish by palming and feeding him line. The second trout I relied totally on the drag system. I set the drag after judging how the fish would fight. I did not touch the reel or drag the entire fight, only to reel after the fish had made his runs and was taking a break. This reel blew my Okuma SLV out of the water.

IF anyone has any tips on this type of fishing please let me know. Special thanks to beadhead2 for sending me the euro-nymphing dvd. You got me hooked on this and without this video i would still be crankin out the old thingamabobber. ;)

Thanks for looking,

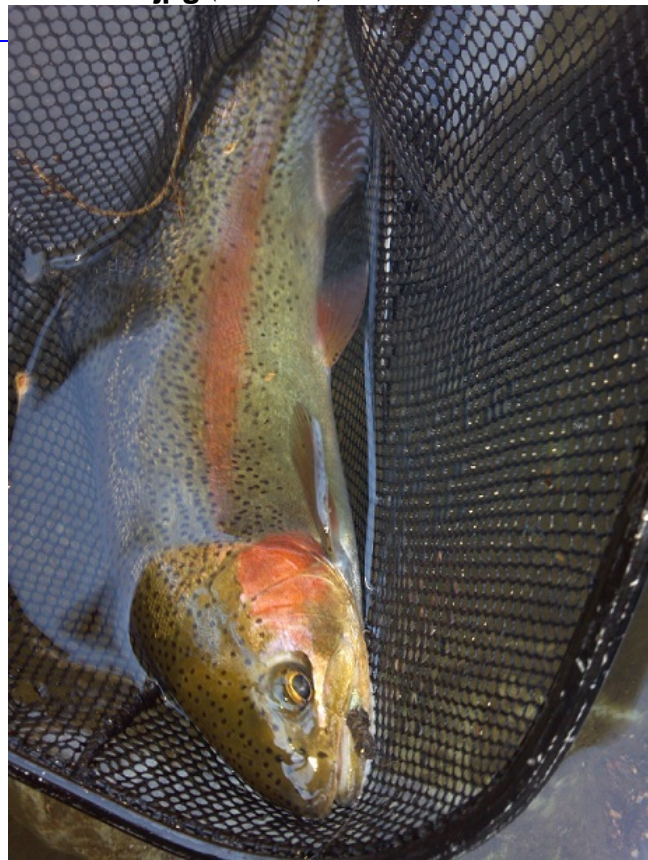
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