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Stagger_Lee wrote:

Is it the beauty or difficulty that make it one of the most legendary fishing streams in the world? What is the history behind it that makes it so legendary?

Thanks

Both the stream's beauty and difficulty are part of its mystique. However, the difficulty part is a larger chunk of the reputation. The Letort's history is long, large and complex. Entire books and fly fishing techniques were pioneered on Letort, mostly in the period from about 1945-1980. Many of the best known FFers in PA during those years honed their methods and observations on this stream by watching trout rises and experimenting with different flies and presentations. Among the best known of these famous fishermen would be Vince Marinaro, Charlie Fox, Ed Koch, Ed Shenk, (along with a squad of other dedicated anglers - All the fellas I've listed are deceased now except Shenk).

FFers tend to speak of Letort in hushed tones of great reverence - and rightfully so. Still, it's worth remembering, that it's just a trout stream. Don't be discouraged about paying Letort a visit. It's a great PA trout fishing pilgrimage.