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hof - the fun is in the figgering. Any prior info gleaned from books, magazines, fly shops, or the web (including this one) will give you some idea of what bugs might be around during the season and time you plan to be on the water. When it's warm, looking at what's caught in the webs (spider) will tell you a lot. Looking around in the air, on the water and in the bushes (duns and other hatched out insects layover in the leaves before they return and lay eggs) is helpful, even necessary, especially if you are going dry. You can time the place (riffles vs. meat of the pools vs tailouts) of spinner falls by seeing if swallows and swifts are darting around. Hovering dragonflies key in on midges and the like. And turning over rocks tell you what's in the stream and even what readiness the specific bugs might be in relative to hatching.

Unless you cover a lot of water, count on changing flies a bunch. If only one fly worked all the time, I would quit ffishing.