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Yeah, I largely agree with the above too. The hatches in the evenings on Pine are pretty cool, but as stated it's mostly a stocker deal...although there do seem to be a good number of stockers...for what that's worth. The Canyon section on Pine is cool from a scenery perspective...fun drive in down to Tiadaghton...I caught mostly Smallmouth in that section though.

The main stem of Kettle (down to Cross Fork or so) is a better wild fishery than the main stem of Pine IMO...probably because Kettle isn't impounded like Pine is in Galeton. I've caught wild Browns below the regs section on Kettle, in early September even, so I think they may be year round residents and not just seasonal transplants from the tribs. That said, Kettle is mostly a stocker stream too.

Bottom line, the tribs are way better for wild fish. The draw for Kettle and Pine is you can catch trout in relatively big water streams, with beautiful mountain scenery, often on dry flies. It's not easy to find places in PA where you can accomplish all three of those things at the same time. The ideal day for me up there is to spend the morning and afternoon on the tribs, fish a hatch on THE Pine (as Squatch would say) in the evening, then food/beer/fire afterwards.