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Fished the upper east branch with my dad this afternoon from about 1-4 pm. Great weather, partly sunny and 60. Water was high and a little off color, tons of brown caddisflies flying around along with a few BWO's and white midges. Didnt see a single rise all day. We went far from the parking lot and probably a little too far from the stocked fish, but we wanted to find some peace and quiet. I landed a fat stocked rainbow on a caddis larvae and lost a nice wild brown around 9-10". My dad is new to flyfishing and still looking for his first fish on a fly. I thought the brandywine would give us a shot at a lot of non-trout in case the trout were MIA but I guess the water is still too cold as neither of us caught any chubs or panfish. Frustrating to fish such gorgeous water and not catch much because we were too far from the stocking points. You would think there should be more fish in a place like that, not less.

We then fished up a tributary and I nailed a pair of wild browns and a fallfish (all on the caddis), dad lost a little brown after a few seconds and missed a hard strike from a nicer one. Unfortunately we had to bolt home just as we were getting to the best water but I really think with another half hour he could have landed one or two. Next time!

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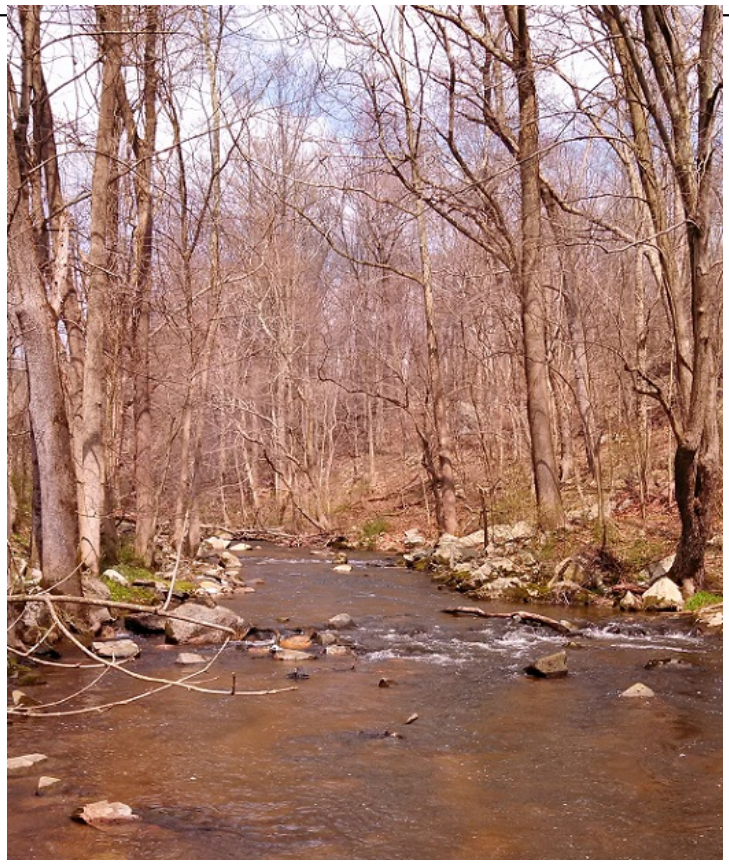
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