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Re: More Amnesia sighter crap.
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Jeremymcon is right on regarding sighter leaders. Per G Daniel's recommendations, you can start with several feet of Stren Clear Blue Fluorescent line to begin the leader. I tie a perfection loop on one end to do a loop to loop connection to my fly line. I've successfully used 14, 17 and 20 pound test. I then use a blood knot to tie in Stren HiVis Gold about 8 to 10 inches and then using a blood knot tie in Trilene Blaze orange line. I tru to use a smaller diameter line for each "sighter". I then clinch knot a small tippet rig. I generally use a .55x2.1 mm tippet ring. I will vary the length of this leader based on the type of fish I do.

Why gold and orange color line for my sighters? These are the colors I can see based on a variety of conditions. some anglers may see other colors well.

I get lazy when I'm fishing and don't always switch to a regular tapered leader when I dry fly fish. I just add 4 pound test regular fishing line, sometimes 4 to 8 feet to the tippet ring, then add some regular tippet material. I have found that this method doesn't affect my dry fly fishing as I try to keep the colored sighters off the water as best as I can.

I use the sighter leader for both high stick, indicator and dry fly fishing.

I agree, if you have the funds, get George's book, Dynamic Nymphing.