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Re: Fishing small wild trout runs
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> Bonzoso wrote:
> Thanks, lot of good info here. Sounds to me like my main problem was a 9 ft rod and a 9 ft. leader!. Didn't even think about shortening up the leader. I do have an old 6'6 fiberglass rod that I started out on years ago. Will have to dig it out of the mothballs. I was also obsessted with trying to stay as far away from good looking spots as possible and casting to them. Probably should take more of a still hunting approach to get as close as possible. Low and slow. Thanks again.

Dear Bonzoso,

This is one of the great myths of fly fishing. A 30 foot cast requires 30 feet of line and leader, if you do it with a rod that is 3 feet shorter it means that 3 more feet of line and leader is outside the rod to the rear.

The physical features of the stream such as brush and trees may make it more difficult to cast with a 9 foot rod so you may want a shorter rod for those reasons. However if you are casting 25 or 30 feet you'll still get snagged on the back cast.

One tip with dry flies is cast to a sunny or less shaded spot and expect a strike as the fly drifts into a darker less shady spot. The fish will almost always be holding in the darker water even on cloudy days.

P.S. I'm with troutbert, find a stream that is easier to fish and once you gain more experience you can try the real bushwhacking stuff.

Regards,

Tim Murphy