

Subject: : Paflyfish General Forum

Topic: : Big native!

Re: Big native!

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Dcap240 wrote:

The right food source and or they become meat eaters and start eating other minnows...

Char in general are aggressive carnivores, and brook trout are no exception. The mainstay of their diet is other fish. They certainly do eat aquatic insects, but they don't have those giant mouths to slurp nymphs and mayflies. I've seen PA brookies attack frogs as they jumped into the stream. While I like catching brookies on dry flies, for the most part, I catch them on streamers. I've caught Arctic Char in AK swinging huge streamers and on deer hair mice. Labrador brookies are routinely caught on mouse patterns. And remember, esp in PA freestone streams, native brookies are pure opportunists. They can't rely on hatches because the streams are too small to sustain large enough hatches to support the brookie population. Brookies will attack anything that comes by or hits the water. They are meat eaters by nature.