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I have a bushel of the Columbia/Bass Pro/etc. ventilated shirts made specifically for fishing.

They're all OK.

In my book though, the best fishing shirt is a simple Dickie's double button pockets work shirt. They're reasonable (15-22 bucks most places) and they come in good small stream fish stalking colors like dark green and sort of a dull mustard/tan.

I buy one size bigger than I would in a regular shirt and the resulting bagginess allows for some ventilation.

When they are new, they're kinda stiff, so I've used a variety of different methods to quick soften them. I've stone washed them, washed them in a salt solution, double treated them with fabric softener during the wash cycle and then ran them repeatedly through a dryer with several of those little spiked rubber balls in with them. Or you can simply wear them into softness; that works too.

Best fishing shirts around, IMO. And at a price that is not out of range of most of us in the peasantry.

Did I mention that I'm cheap? That's part of it too. Still darn good shirts though..