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Re: rattlers

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tabasco_joe wrote:

I worry more about copperheads. We have them on the small spring creeks at my cabin. They can lay in the watercress and strike without warning. I often think about them when I'm fishing Falling Spring, etc.

On rare occasions when fishing in back country areas with a reputation for snakes I carry a pistol with snake shot. The odds of killing a snake close enough to strike before it stikes is almost zero.

I was fishing early fall last year and there was a boulder four feet away from me. All of a sudden ten minutes later I moved closer to the boulder to see a copperhead sunning itself!! He didn't bother me, I didn't bother him. I think copperheads are only lethal if you weigh 70 lbs or less....at least that is what I have heard.

One snake I have seen in SE PA which aren't common was a water moccasin.