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Re: buy flies in bulk???

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PennypackFlyer wrote:

Before you start grabbing flies...find out what hatches are happening in your area and when and try to "match the hatch" as best as possible.

While generally good advice, I think it's better to find out what *patterns* are popular and effective and go that route rather than strictly matching the hatch.

Matching the hatch is all well and good until you figure out that a green weenie will work better and more often on the waters you fish. Flies that imitate a wide variety of insects are also a better bet than trying to be hatch specifics, PT's, GRHE's, Adams, Light Cahills and such in a couple sizes each are a quick route to covering a lot of hatches and not getting lost in the weeds trying to match very specific or localized hatches. I think it's very easy to end up with a lot of flies that just aren't going to get used much by focusing on hatches.

If I had to build a trout fly box from scratch, aside from the flies I've already mentioned, Lightning Bugs, Copper Johns, Walt's Worms, Prince Nymphs and several others would all get a place in my boxes before I started to consider flies for specific hatches.