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Big gawdy marabou's. I don't have any experience steelheading in the East, but back West they slay. Get your Gamakatsu hook, wrap with weight wire, tie in a nice steelhead marabou plume in a combo of pink/orange (my most productive color), yellow/red, pink/red, cartreuse/green (you get the idea, bright and big); hackle that sucker up to the front and tie off. In Idaho and Washington that has been my best fly, and usually on the swing.

A couple of years ago I met this homeless looking man on the Salmon in Idaho, and he had a walmart princess special baitchucker, and on the end he had a big ball of regular sewing yarn in a myriad of colors, with a single hook in the middle. This guy was catching more fish than anybody on the river. I struck up a chat with him, and he gave me the key to why he catches so much fish.

"You don't want to trick them or feed them, you want to piss them off."

For classic flies I really like the Trey Combs winter orange pattern. It's solid!

I don't know much about egg patterns. Like I said, I've only fished steelhead out West, and I never needed to use them.

This orange mess has done pretty well for me too!

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