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wildtrout2 wrote:

While all of the advice given so far has been great, I think this is one of the very most important items. But, THE single most important item is to fish upstream. If my only access is from the top of a stream, I'll always hike downstream away from the creek and fish my way back upstream. ALWAYS.

Solid advice, wildtrout. In fact, that strategy payed off for me this weekend. I fished a small brook on Saturday in the Laurel Highlands. I hiked downstream about 2 miles. Since the path paralleled the stream much of the way I found myself mentally "marking" where I was going to fish on the way back up. I also actually saw some fish and resisted the urge to try for them right away -- most were spooked by my presence anyway. The strategy ended up paying off nicely for me. I caught quite a few, including a brown trout that I noticed hiking in of about 15 inches -- a MONSTER for this stream. I remembered where he was located, took extra care when approaching the pool, made one cast to where I knew he was positioned and he took. If I didn't hike in first and if I fished downstream instead of up, I never would've planned it and never would've caught that fish.