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Re: Why are my dry flies floating on their side?

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Big John,

Watch your proportions and the size and weight of your wings for Catskill flies and learn to tie them well.

Also, I find my success increases during hatches using parachutes and comparaduns. I fish 80% of the time with those types flies and 20% with traditional Catskill flies. I find myself using the traditional flies when employing movement to the fly, since when properly tied, the hook bend does not bite into the water since the fly rides ON the film, which makes it easier to move without creating a wake.

Most of the time the lower riding parachutes and comparaduns seem to give the fish a more realistic profile riding IN the film. Also tie some of your patterns with an Antron shuck instead of a tail. That sometimes triggers strikes when conventionally tailed flies of the same pattern aren't working.

BJ – think of it this way – the glass is half full, since you have mastered tying crippled duns that ride on their side! Good luck – good fishing.