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Counsels beginners on the fundamentals of fly fishing using illustrated guidelines that demonstrate everything from fishing ethics and safety practices to tying effective knots and casting a fly line. Original. 15,000 first printing. This book, written with the support of America's oldest fishing tackle business, offers beginners a chance to learn the fundamentals of the great sport of fly fishing quickly and easily. The Orvis Guide to Beginning Fly Fishing can be the start of a lifetime journey of discovery that will increase your intimacy with the natural world and allow you to gain skill and finesse in your fly fishing techniques. Proven teaching techniques and bright, helpful illustrations and photographs will enable new fly fishers to:

- * Select and assemble proper, balanced tackle
- * Cast a line with authority and accuracy
- * Chose the correct fly for any situation
- * Tie the two most useful fishing knots
- * Find fish in lakes, rivers, and salt water
- * and much more

Here are fishing ethics, helpful safety advice, basic angling terms, everything the new fly fisher needs in a crisp, helpful, and finely illustrated primer of the highest rank.

Masterfully illustrated and designed to capture the intricate details of 34 species of trout found in American waters, this essential collection of elite angler quarry are dutifully presented on one delightful poster. With faithful attention to detail and accuracy and representative in relative scale, each fish—from the tiny golden trout to the massive steelhead—is painstakingly replicated at 40

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percent of average size. Reflective of the immense popularity of fishing among avid anglers throughout America and the world, and essential as a reference for easy identification of each distinct species, this colorful and fastidiously accurate poster—by the foremost authority on trout illustration in the country—is a truly remarkable addition to any fisherman’s functional art collection.

On the surface, fishing is all about casting, catching and communing with nature, but on a deeper level, the sport is filled with mysteries and contradictions. Why do people fish? How does a desire to return to nature go hand in hand with high-tech gadgetry? How is it possible to see other people's fishing as despoiling nature but not one's own? What does the long and complex history of the sport reveal? Like so much else in life, what fishing says about society and the people in it -- both past and present -- is hidden from view and almost never discussed. This book is a considered foray into the leisure sport of fishing by an avid fisherman who is also a professional anthropologist. Those who enjoy the sport tend to extol its naturalness - fishing enables them to commune with nature at its most primeval. However, if it's called natural, it's probably a great spot to trawl for clues as to how people manage larger cosmic issues. 'Call it natural,' the author quips, 'and the anthropologists will come.' Is fishing an uncomplicated activity, or is it deeply meaningful? What does it say about culture? Is the recent resurgence of interest in the sport simply a reflection of more disposable incomes and more leisure time? What is the connection between

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fishing and Santa Claus? fishing and flamenco? And finally, what is the best way to kiss a trout? Unlike most books on fishing, which focus on the tale or on 'how-to', this book shows that there is much more lurking beneath the surface than fish.

From the irrepressible author of Trout Bum and The View from Rat Lake comes an engaging, humorous, often profound examination of life's greatest mysteries: sex, death, and fly-fishing. John Gierach's quest takes us from his quiet home water (an ordinary, run-of-the-mill trout stream where fly-fishing can be a casual affair) to Utah's famous Green River, and to unknown creeks throughout the Western states and Canada. We're introduced to a lively group of fishing buddies, some local "experts" and even an ex-girlfriend, along the way. Contemplative, evocative, and wry, he shares insights on mayflies and men, fishing and sport, life and love, and the meaning (or meaninglessness) of it all.

A compilation of the best instructional books on fly fishing available today, authored by some of the world's foremost fly-fishing experts.

Harry and Donna started fly fishing for trout over 45 years ago, first in the area around West Yellowstone, Montana, then for tarpon and bonefish around Islamorada in the Florida Keys, and finally for bonefish in the Bahamas. He learned to cast from some of the best casters and teachers, and then developed his own views about fly casting which emphasized accuracy and speed of delivery. He uses his experiences in the West, Florida Keys, and the Bahamas to help fly fisher people to catch more trout, bonefish, and tarpon.

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Vermont is an angler's paradise, but few pause to consider the past and future impact that conservation has had on trout fishing. Writer, angler and conservationist Tim Traver combines the latest fisheries science with well-seasoned opinions on the storied past, evolving present and hopeful future of this worthy pursuit. Become part of a long-running stewardship and restoration story with a history of success and a challenging future. This is fishing journalism at its best, with stories and resources that are sure to whet your appetite for exploring the rivers, streams and lakes in the most rural corners of the state. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of this book supports the work of the White River Partnership and Vermont River Conservancy.

A licensed fishing guide's observations on the common mistakes made by anglers, *A Guide's Guide to Fly-Fishing Mistakes* provides practical tips on how to improve fly-fishing techniques and break bad habits. Licensed fishing guide and instructor Sara Low offers remedies to freshwater anglers on topics that include correctly approaching fish, improving fly selection, proper presentation, consistent and accurate casting, efficient hooking and landing of fish, as well as pointers for fishing spring, summer, fall, and winter. Although written for anglers with experience, the notes will be just as helpful to anglers who have not had time to develop bad habits. Low elaborates on how to fix the mistakes many experienced fly-fishers make. Supplementing her methods are tales that illustrate different mistakes made on the water with her suggested correction for each mistake. Taking these suggestions to heart will provide you with that "ah-ha!" moment you've been waiting for. As a guide, Low sees the same mistakes being made over and over again. Now you

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can see them too with this must-have resource. More fish, bigger fish, better fish—whatever the goal, the experienced and novice angler will find meaningful advice for greater fishing success.

In this unique exploration of fly-fishing as a spiritual practice, an Episcopal priest and a rabbi share what it can teach us about awe and wonder in the natural world, the benefits of solitude, the blessing of community and the search for the Divine.

Fly fishing is a noble sport whose avid practitioners learn the skills of finesse, observation and technique—and that would be great if it all stopped there. But fly fishing is more—oh so much more—than the streamside perfection of a mere handful of angling skills. The broader curriculum also teaches us: Frustration ("When we see trout feeding regardless of our fly...the resentment is almost like the anger of a madman." -Harold Russell); Jealousy ("Flyfishing is like sex, everyone thinks there is more than there is, and that everyone else is getting more than their share." -Henry Kanemotto); Lying ("The question is not whether successful fishermen believe in God, but vice versa." -Don Roberts); and Obstinace ("If I'm not going to catch anything, then I'd rather not catch anything on flies." - Bob Lawless). What Fly Fishing Teaches Us relates these lessons and many more in pithy words from angling literature and dazzling Denver Bryan photographs. Fly anglers who have found utter enjoyment and headache-inducing frustration will recognize themselves in this delightful book.

Your Informative (and Entertaining!) Guide to Fly Fishing Fly fishing is a wonderful way to catch fish, and it is much simpler than you might think. More and more people are using this thrilling technique to catch trout, bluegill, sailfish, and more. You can count yourself among them. It just takes the right equipment, a little bit of know-how, and some practice. If

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you've never tried because you heard it's "too hard," then you are missing out! In Thrasher's Fly Fishing Guide, professional fly fisher Susan Thrasher provides an all-in-one resource to get you on the water and fly fishing with success. Inside You'll Find: Introduction to the basics, including terminology and equipment Discussion of various methods, from dry fly fishing to Euro nymphing Personal stories and anecdotes to entertain and encourage Advanced tips, such as fly fishing from a kayak and understanding various fly line designs Recommendations on lodging, guides, and nearby activities for destination trips Whether you've never hooked a fish or have spent your whole life casting a fly to that elusive brown trout, you'll enjoy Thrasher's engaging writing style, and you'll appreciate her step-by-step approach that can take you from "never tried" to "let's go again tomorrow!" At last--"a collection of world-renowned fly-fishing guide and master angler RenC) finest, most informative articles. You will learn everything from casting techniques and innovations in fly trying to actually reading the water, the insects, and the weather.

"A Handbook of Angling" contains a detailed, illustrated guide to fishing, covering fly-fishing, trolling, bottom-fishing, salmon-fishing, and more. Accessible and beginner-friendly, it is essentially a guide to the natural history of river fish and the best ways to catch them, and sure to be of utility to anglers new and old. Contents include: "Angling Defined", "Divided into Three Branches", "Into Fly-fishing, Trolling, and Bottom-Fishing", "Each Briefly Described", "The Superiority and Merits of Fly-fishing", "Throwing the Line and Flies", "Humouring Them", "Fishing a Stream", etc. Many vintage books such as this are becoming increasingly scarce and expensive. It is with that in mind that we are republishing this volume now in a modern, high-quality edition complete with a specially commissioned new introduction on the history of

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fishing.

What defines a small stream? For Dave Hughes, it's not size but "that sense of intimacy" you get when you can observe the whole stream and "feel that you're a large and integral part of it." Hughes draws on his years of experience to teach you everything you need to know about fishing small streams, from choosing rods and flies to reading the weather and water. Hughes knows that successful fly fishing is more than just catching the most or the biggest fish. Small streams provide the opportunity for exploration and discovery—in addition to the fish. This second edition contains new chapters on reading the seasons and tenkara and is superbly illustrated with more than 100 new color photos.

Improve your angling skills with this comprehensive guide for beginners and experts alike A licensed guide in the UK, John Symonds fishes with anglers of all talent levels, from rank beginners to experienced old-timers. He has seen the common mistakes that many fly fishers make and, over the years, has developed lessons that help anglers overcome their mistakes and really improve their fly-fishing prowess. In this book, Symonds teaches: Basic skills, from stringing your fly rod to tying on backing, fly line, leader, and tippet How to make casts for a variety of stream and lake conditions How to figure out what fish are feeding on, and then picking the proper imitation How to determine where fish are in lake or river Tips on using dry flies, nymphs, streamers, and caddis imitations And much, much more! Symonds learned to fly fish through trial and error. As he did, he came to realize that finding good, basic information was difficult to come by. He fills that niche with this helpful little guidebook that is guaranteed to elevate your level of fishing.

Brilliant, witty, perceptive essays about fly-fishing, the natural world, and life in general by the acknowledged

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master of fishing writers. *Death, Taxes, and Leaky Waders* collects forty of John Gierach's finest essays on fishing from six of his books. Like all his writing, these essays are seasoned by a keen sense of observation and a deep knowledge and love of fishing lore, leavened by a wonderfully wry sense of humor. Gierach often begins with an observation that soon leads to something below the surface, which he finds and successfully lands. As Gierach says, writing is a lot like fishing. This is the first anthology of John Gierach's work, a collection that is sure to delight both die-hard fans and new readers alike. To enter Gierach's world is to experience the daily wonder, challenge, and occasional absurdity of the fishing life—from such rituals as the preparation of camp coffee (for best results, serve in a tin cup) to the random, revelatory surprises, such as the flashing beauty of a grayling leaping out of the water. Whether he's catching fish or musing on the ones that got away, Gierach is always entertaining and enlightening, writing with his own inimitable blend of grace and style, passion and wit. Nearly everyone who has picked up a fly rod has experienced the "otherness" of fly fishing, its inherent beauty, its sense of calm and purpose, its power to heal. Fly fishing is, for many men and women, a deeply meaningful and spiritual activity. In this sensitive and beautiful volume, Jody Martin addresses that spirituality directly, introducing fly fishing to beginners and offering it as a form of ministry to anyone who might wish to teach the sport as part of a spiritual or therapeutic program. *The Spirituality of Fly Fishing* is simultaneously a concise primer, demystifying and clearly explaining what is

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basically a simple sport, and a paeon to the higher powers that drive us all. Replete with quotes and writings from a wide variety of authors and faith traditions, this slim book has been endorsed by Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing, Casting for Recovery, Reel Recovery, and Joey's Foundation, all of which use fly fishing as part of a healing or mentoring program. Proceeds from the book support both Project Healing Waters and Casting for Recovery. Tastefully illustrated with stunning photographs and paintings by some of today's foremost artists, including John Juracek, Ken Takata, Matt Shaw, James Nelson, Tony Czech, Louis Cahill, and Joseph Tomelleri, the book is far more than just another entry into the world of "how to do it" fly fishing books. The Spirituality of Fly Fishing serves as an introduction, an offering, and a benchmark for anyone who might wish to dive deeper into the streams of spirituality that nourish our souls. No fly fisher should be without this book in his or her library. (from Morgan Creek Publications)

Teaches a basic note-taking process and gives specific source ideas and subject headings for a variety of topics. Grades 3-8.

Based on the acclaimed Fly Fisher Apprentice Program. Covers tackle, fly tying, casting, knots, wading, plus respecting trout and their habitat.

An affordable introduction to fly fishing with a new spin on the subject. Because many anglers feel overwhelmed by the wealth of information they have been brainwashed into believing they must know to catch a fish on a fly, Everything you always wanted to know about fly fishing* but were afraid to ask combine authority with

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accessibility, creating a truly unique approach to the typical how-to book, providing answers to questions that many think are too dumb to ask.

Writing *Fly Fishing the Baja and Beyond* has been a five year odyssey culminating from thirty years of exploring the Baja Peninsula, fishing the waters of the Pacific and Sea Of Cortez. This guide will help you to read Baja-native fish behavior to increase the frequency of your hookups while fly fishing the fabulous Sea of Cortez.

A complete look at fly-fishing creeks and tailwaters utilizing a lifetime of on-the-stream experience through 315 brilliant photographs and 86 illustrations. First-hand knowledge of waters he's fished throughout the United States and around the world. The most effective patterns to imitate mayflies, caddis flies, midge, crane flies, and terrestrials based upon personal observation and tying experience and the best ways to fish them. Packed with solid information for fishing spring creeks from Mike Lawson's years of fly-fishing experience. Important chapters cover mayflies, caddis, midges, terrestrials, and aquatic insects. Plus, practical and proven advice on locating, stalking, playing, and landing trout and tactics for fishing dry flies, streamers, wet flies, and nymphs, from one of the best fly fishermen in the business.

The *Orvis Book of Family Friendly Fly Fishing* Like all sports, the fun of fly-fishing lies in sharing the experience and in spending time with those closest to you. And yet for a father unsure how to connect with his bored, PlayStation-dazed kids, for a beginning fisherman who doesn't want to learn casting techniques by himself, for a mother who would love to show her children the

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outdoors but isn't quite sure how to begin, it can be a frustrating and intimidating business. From one of the most trusted brands in the industry, and from one of the sport's most esteemed authors, *The Orvis Guide to Family-Friendly Fly-Fishing* by Tom Rosenbauer will take the mystery out of sharing the experience. Rosenbauer provides instructional guidance, discusses the nuts and bolts of casting, fly choice, and technique, and opens the lens to discuss family-friendly destinations, gear, schools, safety, and more. Rosenbauer brings his expertise to bear on perhaps the most essential skill set of all—introducing the people closest to you to your beloved sport. Tom Rosenbauer, host of the Orvis Fly Fishing Podcasts, has been with the Orvis Company over 30 years. Rosenbauer is *Fly Rod & Reel* magazine's 2011 Angler of the Year and author of *The Orvis Fly-Fishing Guide*, one of the best-selling fly-fishing books ever.

This fascinating, 200-page book features the quotes from the best hunting, fishing, and nature writers to ever grace the pages of *Sporting Classics*. It's laced with poignant passages from hunting stories by Hemingway, Ruark, Roosevelt, and Rutledge. You'll enjoy hundreds of quotes by the greatest fishing writers, including Izaak Walton, Sigurd Olson, Robert Traver, and Roderick Haig-Brown along with the thoughtful words of renowned conservationists like John Madson, Aldo Leopold, and Henry David Thoreau. The book even includes lines from poems by Rudyard Kipling, Robert Frost, and many other great poets. With fifty black-and-white illustrations by Joseph Byrne, *Passages—The Greatest Quotes from Sporting Literature* is a handsome, timeless collection, one that is sure to please anyone with an interest in the outdoors.

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In this book, a long-time resident and devoted fly fisherman imparts a wealth of knowledge about fly fishing in Connecticut. Kevin Murphy teaches novice anglers about the state's trout hatcheries and stocking programs, the differences between brook, brown, and rainbow trout, and offers easy-to-follow instructions on the basics of fly fishing. In this concise text, the reader finds the essentials in fly fishing gear, stream tactics, casting, and a host of related topics. In addition, would-be anglers gain a useful glimpse into the history of fishing in the state, plus important tips on stream conservation, fly fishing etiquette, regulations, and safety. Most importantly, anglers will find a veritable road map to Connecticut's best trout streams and rivers. The book even offers excellent suggestions for comfortable lodging in prime fly fishing locations and—once the day's fishing is done—a few mouth-watering recipes for cooking one's catch. Whether you're in the market for that first pair of waders, thinking of tuning up your casting technique, or just want to know where the fish are biting, this is the book to read.

Anyone would be hard-pressed to find a pastime more emblematic of the western spirit than fly-fishing. Liberating, poetic, wild, soothing and inspiring, it pushes the boundaries of the mind. In essays ranging from introspective to ironic, angler authors Chadd VanZanten and Russ Beck distill the purest truths of fly-fishing into essential, often humorous rules of thumb. With kernels like "always tell the truth sometimes" and "all the fish are underwater," wade into the blue ribbon waters of Montana, Idaho, Wyoming and Utah to reflect metaphysically on these lines of practical wisdom.

Advanced tight line nymphing tactics, including Czech, Polish, French, Spanish, and American techniques.

This book will give the fly fishing beginner the basic knowledge to catch steelhead trout. From equipment, materials, techniques, to basic simple strategies to help

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succeed in this endeavor. My hope is that anyone that sits down with this book and reads it can go out and immediately be successful in becoming a great steelhead fly fisherman. Modern-day fly fishing, like much in life, has become exceedingly complex, with high-tech gear, a confusing array of flies and terminal tackle, accompanied by high-priced fishing guides. This book reveals that the best way to catch trout is simply, with a rod and a fly and not much else. The wisdom in this book comes from a simpler time, when the premise was: the more you know, the less you need. It teaches the reader how to discover where the fish are, at what depth, and what they are feeding on. Then it describes the techniques needed to present a fly at that depth, make it look lifelike, and hook the fish. With chapters on wet flies, nymphs, and dry flies, its authors employ both the tenkara rod as well as regular fly fishing gear to cover all the bases. Illustrated by renowned fish artist James Prosek, with inspiring photographs and stories throughout, Simple Fly Fishing reveals the secrets and the soul of this captivating sport.

With colorful, concise, and easy-to-follow illustrations, The L.L. Bean Fly-Fishing Handbook offers a fun introduction to the sport. This friendly volume coaches readers on the basics of fly-casting and assembly of tackle without demanding that the reader invest tons of time and money. The goal here is getting started, and this useful, portable book won't sit on the shelf—it's meant to be taken outdoors for easy consultation. Author Dave Whitlock covers the foods fish eat and how to imitate those foods, details the necessary fly assortment for novices, and provides a useful glossary. Chapters added in this edition include approaches to saltwater fish species, ethics and sportsmanship, and methods for fishing from boats and float tubes.

A modern tribute to an ageless pastime, and a practical guide

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to the art, philosophy, and rituals of fly fishing, by an expert, lifelong angler. In *The Optimist*, David Coggins makes a case for the skills and sensibility of an enduring sport and shares the secrets, frustrations, and triumphs of the great tradition of fly fishing, which has captivated anglers worldwide. Written in witty, keenly observed prose, each chapter focuses on a specific place, fish, and skill. Few individuals, for example, have the visual acuity required to catch the nearly invisible bonefish of the Bahamas flats. Or the patience to land the elusive Atlantic salmon, “the fish of a thousand casts,” in eastern Canada. Pursuing these challenges, Coggins, “a confirmed obsessive,” travels to one fishing paradise after another, including the great rivers of Patagonia, private chalk streams in England, remote ponds in Maine, and New York City’s Jamaica Bay. In each setting, he chronicles his fortunes and misfortunes with honesty and humor while meditating on how fishing teaches focus, inner stillness, and a connection to the natural world. Perfect for the novice, the enthusiastic amateur, and the devoted angler alike, *The Optimist* offers a practical path toward enlightenment while providing a welcome escape into one of the world’s ancient pastimes.

Devin Olsen explains how the techniques he has used to become a repeat medalist in fly fishing competitions around the world can be adapted to everyday fly fishing situations. He covers strategies, tactics, and flies for rivers, small streams, and still waters, allowing anyone to fish more successfully by applying the approaches taken by competitive anglers.

It may be a “best-kept secret,” but central Texas has some of the best fly fishing in America. With Texas native and fly fishing expert Aaron Reed as your guide, enjoy dozens of wades and paddles, all within easy reach of Austin. Discover secluded spring creeks braced by soaring limestone cliffs.

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Wade in broad pools dotted with lily pads and stands of water willow. Fish in neighborhood ponds and float deep, slow rivers. Easy-to-follow narrative, detailed maps, and gorgeous color photographs make it easy to “Go fishing now!” even if you have only a few hours to spare. There’s something for every angler in central Texas. Visit the nation’s southernmost trout fishery in the Canyon Lake tailwaters. Find seven species in a single day, including the native Guadalupe bass and the Rio Grande cichlid. Fly Fishing Austin and Central Texas is your passport to the challenges and rewards of angling in this unique and beautiful region. A look inside:

- Directions to more than 80 legal access points
- Detailed on-the-water wade and paddle route descriptions
- Full-color maps showing stream access points
- More than 200 full-color photographs
- Tips for “reading” central Texas streams
- Dozens of local angler-friendly hangouts
- Successful local fly patterns – and how to tie them
- Local and natural history: Comanches, conquistadors, jaguars, and at least one dinosaur
- Descriptions of common aquatic and riparian plants
- Comprehensive Texas river law primer
- Tips for taking kids fishing. Advice for selecting rods, reels, and line for local conditions and species
- Local fly shops and guide services
- How to catch a riffle-loving Guadalupe bass. The mysterious story of Round Rock’s “Hairy Man”
- Where to find and how to catch trophy rainbow trout
- And much, much more! -- Aaron Reed

Teaching Kids to Fly Fish is a single source guide to help parents and instructors teach children to fly fish and tie flies. This book focuses on innovative teaching methods that keep kids interested, involved and having fun rather than on the basics of casting form and knot tying. Because this book is written for fly fishing parents and instructors this book instead passes along proven tactics that keep kids having fun while they learn. Included are several pages of fly patterns that

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children can learn to tie and fish with ease.

The essays in this book detail Paul Schullery's thoughtful philosophical understanding of the western fly fisher: where we came from, what we care about, and what our prospects are.

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