



Rods, Reels, and Lines

Rainbows, Grayling

- Rod: Graphite, 8.5 or 9 feet; 5, 6, or 7 weight.
 Reel: Single-action with minimum 75 yards of 20lb backing.
 Line: 13-foot Type V sink tip for streamer, sculpin, or leech patterns.
 Weight forward floater (dry) for dead drifting dry flies and egg patterns, skated dry flies, and deer hair mice.

Silvers, Chum, Sockeyes, Pinks

- Rod: 8.5 or 9 feet; 8 or 9 weight.
 Reel: Single-action with good drag system.
 Line: Floating lines and 13-foot sinking tip Type III lines are most productive.
 Spey Rod: 12.5-14 ft; 8 weight
 Spey Line: WindCutter type line or full floating Skagit line

Kings:

- Rod: 9-11 weight.
 Reel: High quality with dependable disc drag system, min. of 200 yards of 30lb backing.
 Line: 24 foot, 300-400 grain sink-tip. Shooting head systems are also popular.
 Spey Rod: 12.5-14 ft; 9 or 10 weight.
 Spey Reel: Min. 100 yards of 30lb backing
 Spey Line: Skagit belly line with 300-400 grain sink-tip

Leaders:

Level leaders are normal, 10, 12, or 15lb test, for all species.
 Tapered leaders with 6 or 8lb tippets are useful when fishing for Rainbows or Grayling with dry flies.

Flies:

Stream fish:

- Early season: For larger fish focus on large streamer patterns.
 Sculpin, Marabou Muddler, Zonker, Mataka, Woolly Bugger, and Egg-Sucking Leech patterns tied in olive, black, and purple. Flies should be weighted and tied on size 4 and 6 streamer hooks.
 Late July on: Single egg flies are very effective. Colors should represent salmon spawn (egg colors). Use a floating line with strike indicator.
 Late season: Flesh flies with rabbit strips in decaying salmon colors (cream, ginger, pink, orange).
 Dry flies: Elk hair caddis, Adams, Humphries, Royal Wulff, and Black Gnats.
 Deer hair mice can be used to raise large trout.

Kings, Silvers, Chum, Pinks:

- General: Spun marabou flies (e.g. Alaskaboo or Popcicle patterns)
 Cerise, pink, orange, and purple weighted and tied on 2-3/0 are a must.
 Have both bright and dark patterns.
 Dry flies: Pink or orange Bomber style (best time is mid-July to mid-August), or pink Pollywogs for silvers.

Sockeye:

- General: Small size Comets (6, 8, & 10) and Shad flies tied in chartreuse, blue, and black.