



## Dear Fly Fishing Enthusiasts

It's hard to believe that it's 2012. It seems that I just bought my 2011 Hunting Fishing license, but it was well worth the money. 2011 was a remarkable year for dry fly fishing as our customers across the world have confirmed. And, 2012 is promising to be even better.

Our show season begins early in January with a trip to [Denver](#) for the [Fly Fishing Show](#), January 6-8. Then we come home for the [Western Idaho Fly Fishing Expo](#) the following weekend. We will be doing guest tying in the theater and giving multiple presentations daily at both of these shows. Our new presentation, Dry Fly Essentials, has been tremendously popular with the limited audiences we introduced it to. Click on the links to see when we will be in your region.



December across the greater northwest has been a bit difficult for dry fly fishing. Sunny skies, freezing temperatures, and dry conditions have stalled the routine winter hatches. There's a change coming in the weather, and the second you see storm conditions and temperatures rising to the low 40s, it's time again to tie on a Caddisge or a BWO and let the party begin. With a weather change, the bugs will come off earlier, the hatch window will be longer, and the fish will be at the surface dining on their tiny menu.

**Fishing Tip:** Choosing the right tippet. You can fish every dry fly in your box from a size 24 to a size 4 on 3 tippets by adhering to the following chart:

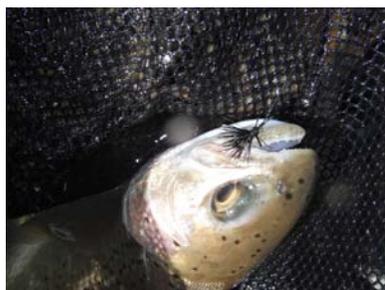
Use:

6x	for Sizes 24 to 18
5x	for Sizes 16 to 12
4x	for Sizes 10 to 4

By using this simple recipe, you can focus your purchases on almost all sizes of dry flies routinely fished. One note—it's rarely the size of the tippet that hinders your ability to catch fish. It's the deliveries that make the difference. Always let your bug be the only thing that a fish sees. If you are blindly fishing a location with no hatch, fish upstream on a natural dead drift, mending the fly back to you. If you are in a hatch, always get above the fish and serve the fly downstream to the fish's nose.

If you fish the winter as we do, here is a hatch chart that you can accumulate the proper bugs for winter hatches. If you have never fished the winter on a dry fly, you may find it to be the most exciting fishing experience in your life.

As always, the winter is a time of creating at the fly tying bench; and true to our name, we are innovating again. We have finished the testing period for a floating soft hackle and a wonderful CDC comparadun. We will have these bugs available for sale before the 2012 fishing season. We are also in testing on a cicada pattern.



We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and your 2012 is booked with lots of dry fly fishing excursions. Wherever in the world that you may be fishing, we have the research and the bugs to match that location. Give us a call! Fish On.....

*Geoff Brumley*



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All Colored Emergers**

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# Bug Hatches: Pacific Northwest-Winter

Bugs	Color	Size
BWO Adults		22, 20
BWO No Hackles		22, 20
Emergers	BWO, Black, Baetis, Blood Midge	22, 20
Midges	Black, Brown	24, 22, 20

# Our Recommendations

Goose Biot White Shuck #22 #20



Blood Midge #22 #20



Goose Biot Black Shuck #22 #20



BWO Emerger #22 #20



Hatching BWO #20 #18



Caddisge #22



Brown Midge #22 #20



BWO Adult #22 #20



BWO No Hackle #22 #20



Black No Hackle #22



Black Searcher #16



Black Gold #16

