# CRAZY CATCHES

**Ultimate Fly Fishing Guide** Check List



#### **SECTION 1: FLY RODS**

- 1. Determine rod length and weight suitable for your target species (e.g., 9-foot, 5-weight for trout).
  - 2. Select rod material (graphite, fiberglass, or bamboo) based on your preference and budget.
  - 3. Check for rod action (fast, medium, slow) based on casting style and conditions.
  - 4. Inspect rod guides and reel seat for secure attachment and alignment.

#### RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS



- Orvis Clearwater Fly Rod Outfit Fishing Rod and Reel Combo Starter Kit
- Moonshine Rod Co. Fly Fishing Rod with Carrying Case and Extra Rod Tip Section
- Martin Complete Fly Fishing Kit, 8Ft -3Pc Fly Rod, Rim-Control Reel + Flies

#### **SECTION 2: FLY REELS**

- 1. Match the reel size to the rod weight for balance.
- 2. Choose reel material (aluminum, composite) based on durability and
  - 3. Ensure reel has a reliable drag system (disc or click-and-pawl).
- 4. Make sure the reel has capacity for backing and fly line.

#### RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS



- Redington Behemoth Fly Reel, Multipurpose, Adjustable Drag
- Piscifun Sword Fly Fishing Reel Machined Aluminum Alloy, 3/4, 5/6, 7/8, 9/10 Wt.
- Redington Reels Crosswater 4/5/6 Prespooled Reel with 5WT Line

#### **SECTION 3: FLY LINES**

- 1. Select line weight to match rod specifications.
  - 2. Choose line taper (weight forward, double taper, shooting head) based on casting needs.
    - 3. Decide on the line type (floating, sinking, sink-tip) based on fishing conditions.
- 4. Add backing line to enhance capacity and allow for fighting larger fish.

RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS



- Scientific Anglers Master Series Line
- **RIO Products Avid Series Trout Fly** Line, Fly Fishing Line for Trout
- Piscifun Sword Fly Fishing Line with Welded Loop, Wt Forward Floating Line

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### SECTION 4: LEADERS &

- 1. Choose leader length and strength suitable for fish species and fly size.
- 2. Select tippet material (nylon, fluorocarbon) based on water clarity and fish behavior.
- O 3. Ensure leaders and tippets are knotless or you are prepared to tie your own knots.
- 4. Carry spare leaders and tippet spools for quick replacements

#### RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS



- Rio Powerflex Trout Leaders & Tippets
- RIO Products Fly Fishing Tippet Head Gate, 2X-6X Powerflex Tippet
- SF 6 Pack Pre Knotted Nylon Fly Fishing Lines 7.5ft 9ft 12ft 0x1x2x3x4x5x6x7x

#### **SECTION 5 FLIES**

- 1. Research and select flies matching the local insect hatch or baitfish.
- 2. Carry a variety of fly types: dry flies, wet flies, nymphs, and streamers.
- 3. Store flies in an organized, waterproof fly box.
- 4. Inspect flies for damage before use and replace worn or broken ones.

#### **RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS**



- O Umpqua UPG LT Fly Box with Assorted Fly Selection
- Gonex Two-Sided Waterproof Lightweight Fly Fishing Box
- Outdoor Planet Premium Fly Fishing Flies Assortment Fly Box

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### SECTION 6: CASTING TECHNIQUES

- 1. Practice basic casting techniques: overhead cast, roll cast, and sidearm cast.
- 2. Learn to mend your line to reduce drag and achieve natural fly drift.
- 3. Study advanced casting methods: double haul, reach cast, and spey cast.
- 4. Utilize casting aids or lessons to improve your skills.

### RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS



- Orvis Fly-Fishing Guidebook and Casting DVD
- Lefty Kreh on Fly Casting DVD
- Joan Wulff's Dynamics of Fly Casting DVD

### SECTION 7: MISCELLANEOUS ESSENTIALS

- 1. Invest in quality waders and wading boots for river fishing.
- 2. Carry polarized sunglasses to reduce glare and see the fish.
- 3. Pack essential tools: nippers, forceps, fly floatant, strike indicators.
- 4. Include safety gear: life vest, wading staff, and first aid kit.

#### RECOMMENDED PRODUCTS



- Simms Freestone Waders and Boots
- TOREGE Sports Polarized Sunglasses
- KastKing SteelStream 6pc Fishing
  Tool Kit
- Eyson Inflatable Life Jacket Life Vest

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