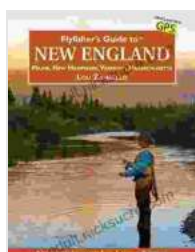


The Flyfisher's Guide to New England: A Comprehensive Overview



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New England is a flyfisher's paradise, with a wealth of rivers, streams, and lakes teeming with trout, salmon, and striped bass. Whether you're a seasoned angler or just starting out, this guide will provide you with everything you need to know to plan a successful flyfishing trip to New England.

Where to Fish

New England is home to a diverse range of flyfishing destinations, from the crystal-clear waters of the Maine woods to the salt marshes of Cape Cod. Here are a few of the best places to fish in the region:

- **Maine:** The Kennebec, Androscoggin, and Penobscot Rivers are all world-renowned for their trout fishing. The state also has a number of excellent lakes, including Moosehead Lake and Sebago Lake.
- **New Hampshire:** The Connecticut River is a great place to fish for trout, salmon, and striped bass. The state also has a number of smaller rivers and streams that offer excellent flyfishing opportunities.
- **Vermont:** The Battenkill River is one of the most famous flyfishing rivers in the world. The state also has a number of other excellent rivers and streams, including the Winooski River and the Missisquoi River.
- **Massachusetts:** The Deerfield River is a great place to fish for trout and salmon. The state also has a number of excellent saltwater flyfishing opportunities, including Cape Cod Bay and Buzzards Bay.

- **Connecticut:** The Housatonic River is a great place to fish for trout, salmon, and striped bass. The state also has a number of smaller rivers and streams that offer excellent flyfishing opportunities.

What to Fish For

New England is home to a variety of fish species, including trout, salmon, striped bass, and many others. Here is a brief overview of the most popular species to target in the region:

- **Trout:** Trout are the most popular fish species to flyfish for in New England. There are three main types of trout in the region: brook trout, brown trout, and rainbow trout.
- **Salmon:** Salmon are another popular target for flyfishers in New England. The most common species of salmon in the region is the Atlantic salmon.
- **Striped bass:** Striped bass are a saltwater fish that can be found in the coastal waters of New England. They are a powerful and aggressive fish that can provide a challenging and exciting fishing experience.

When to Fish

The best time to flyfish in New England depends on the species of fish you are targeting. Trout fishing is best in the spring and fall, when the water is cool and the fish are active. Salmon fishing is best in the spring and summer, when the fish are running up rivers to spawn. Striped bass fishing is best in the fall and winter, when the fish are feeding heavily before migrating south for the winter.

How to Fish

There are a variety of flyfishing techniques that can be used in New England. The most common technique is dry fly fishing, which involves casting a fly on the surface of the water and letting it drift with the current. Other popular techniques include wet fly fishing, nymph fishing, and streamer fishing.

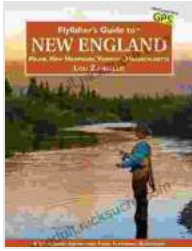
Fly Selection

The type of fly you use will depend on the species of fish you are targeting and the time of year. In general, smaller flies are best for trout, while larger flies are best for salmon and striped bass. Here are a few of the most popular fly patterns for New England:

- **Trout:** Adams, Blue Dun, Cahill, Caddis, Elk Hair Caddis, Hare's Ear, Pheasant Tail Nymph, Woolly Buzzer
- **Salmon:** Atlantic Salmon Fly, Black Ghost, Blue Charm, Green Machine, Silver Doctor, Thunder Creek Special
- **Striped Bass:** Clouser Minnow, Deceiver, Epoxy Jig, Gurgler, Lefty's Deceiver, Whistler

Flyfishing in New England can be a rewarding and challenging experience. With its diverse range of fish species and beautiful scenery, the region offers something for every angler. Whether you're a seasoned pro or just starting out, this guide will provide you with the information you need to plan a successful flyfishing trip to New England.

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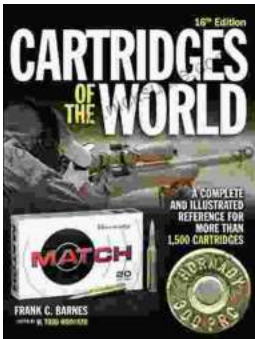
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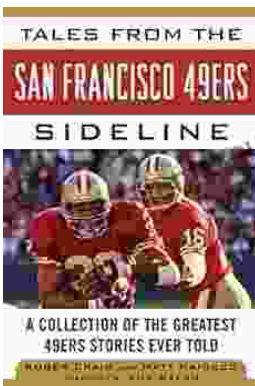
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