

These local fly & insect patterns are used in the Snowy Mountains & are worth having in your fly box. Take note of water insects & bugs where you are, using similar flies or insect patterns is a good place to start.

**UW** = Unweighted  
Shallow: Surface feeding trout

**BH** = Bead Head  
Slow sinking: Slow water

**TBH** = Tungsten Bead Head  
Fast sinking: Fast water

## DRY FLIES

Ants  
Beetles  
Elk Hair Caddis (natural, grey & white)  
Humpy Royals  
Indicators  
Stimulators (royals, red & yellow)  
White Moths  
Wulffs (natural, grey & white)

## NYMPHS

Black (UW, BH, TBH)  
Brown (UW, BH, TBH)  
Olive (UW, BH, TBH)  
Stick Caddis

## WETS

Goldfish  
Hammils Killer (light & dark)  
Matuka (green & black)  
Mrs. Simpson (brown & green)  
Woolly Bugger's (UW & BH)

## "MATCH THE HATCH"

Having the right fly makes all the difference depending on your location. Watch for surface insect life such as moths, mosquitos & midges particularly in warmer weather conditions. Select a fly that best replicates the size, colour & appearance of local insect life in & around the waters edge, for best results.

## LOCAL FLIES



Parchute Hopper



Snowy Mountains Hopper



Thredbo Klinkhammer



Kosi Dun



Jindy Special



Red Mayfly



Black Beetle



Black Ant



Brown Ant

## NYMPHS



Red Tag BH



Olive



Black



Brown BH



Olive BH



Black BH

## WETS



Tom Jones



Goldfish



Mrs. Simpson Brown



Woolly Bugger Olive



Woolly Bugger Brown



Woolly Bugger Black

# FLY FISHING BASICS

## ESSENTIALS

Waders  
 Fly Vest  
 Hat  
 Sunscreen  
 Landing Net  
 Fly Line Cleaner  
 Line Clippers  
 Strike Indicators  
 Floatant & Sinkant  
 Polarising Glasses  
 Fly boxes (wet & dry)  
 Hook Remover / Disgorger  
 Spare Leaders 3x 4x 5x  
 Spare Tippet 3x 4x 5x  
 Fast Sink Polyleader  
 Needle (untieing tangles)  
 Water / Sports Drink  
 Energy Bar / Gel

## ACCESSORIES

Torch  
 Fish Bag  
 Knife  
 Retractors  
 Spare Clothes  
 Leader Straightener  
 Split Ring Pliers  
 Needle Nose Pliers  
 Walking Shoes & Socks  
 Small Split Shots  
 Hook Sharpener

## SKILL LEVEL & RIVER FLOW

With possible high water levels & flow in rivers & streams in spring, due to snow melt, only wade up to your knees when your starting your fly fishing journey, as you gain more confidence you can choose to wade deeper if necessary. Make sure your feet are steady & you have good footing on the river bed before you cast.

## CLOTHING

Correct clothing for trout fishing is important so your not seen by the fish. Good colours are dark green & brown, so you blend in with the background flora. Blue is a bad color in the Snowy Mountains as march flies are attracted to it, they will bite through thick jeans.

A sensible hat & polaroid sunglasses is important to shade your eyes, making it easier to spot fish. It's better to layer your clothes so you can strip down when they day warms up. If you intend on wading, take a change of clothes in a waterproof bag, it's easy to fall in.



**Fly Vest**  
(hard or soft pouches)



**Booted Waders**  
(thick socks ideal)



**Stocking Foot Waders**  
(with wading boots)



**Booted Thigh Waders**  
(thick socks ideal)