

FISH:	The Brook Trout we chase are on average 5 lb to 8 lb with
	some weighing more. The gear I am using is obviously not
	for the petite stream BT's 😉
ROD:	6, or 7 wt, 9 ft, 4-piece fly rod – medium to fast action
REEL:	The reel should match the rod, and it's strongly recommended to have a quality smooth drag. The reel should have a large enough arbor to hold the fly line plus 100 yards of gel spun 20-30 lb backing.
LINE:	A good quality 7 wt, weighted forward floating line is a must – I use Cortland fly lines.
LEADER:	7 ½ 40-lb test fluoro with 2 feet of 40-lb steel (coated) leader. To simplify: you can buy the "Toothy Critter" 40-lb test tapered leader from RIO fly line. It comes with a snap at the end for easy fly change-out.
FLIES:	You can use a variety of flies and tube flies. Streamers work well, stone flies, (I like the stone flies with a bright orange bead head), egg sucking leach, wooly bugger, clousers. A fly with contrasting colors is almost a must in stained water.
CONVENTIONAL GEAR:	
LURES:	
OTHER ESSENTIALS:	Forceps/ fishing pliers/ nippers for line

- A rubber coated net to land the fish in (please don't bank your fish)
- A trash bag (if you see trash / old fishing line, please help keep our rivers clean (even when others don't)
- Layers of clothing never underestimate the weather – come prepared.
- Back pack (to stash all your day gear) I recommend water proof pack from the brand fishpond.
- SPF buff (bandana) those days on the water in the sun and wind can take it's toll on the skin, a buff deflects most of the UV's.
- Polarized sunglasses in amber lens
- Dull colored hat no bright colors to spook the fish.

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