



Life on the Fly By Lori-Ann Murphy Fly Fish obsession. A secret time for self.

When you are fly fishing, hopefully you find that place where you are not thinking about anything else. It's noticed as you get back in the car after fishing and you have not thought about the stupid boyfriend or how the world is changing at rapid speed. Nope. It's a meditation that has been around for a long long time. And you sure don't have to be a pro to find this sweet spot. In fact, I think that initial discovery comes from sitting on the side of a river bank, swearing at yourself for a variety of reasons - bad knot, forgot how to tie the knot, fell in. Or the flip side - the fish you hoped to find really was there, hit your fly so hard that you yelled out loud. Time was lost as you ventured out.

We don't learn this in our classes. It has to be experienced first hand. We tell stories, but it really comes down to that personal experience getting lost in time on a piece of water.

People ask us all the time about our adventures. I mean who wouldn't want to know what a Green Butt Skunk was doing swinging in the river. Or yes, "the bwo's are out now, but the pattern is a nunya." "Floating the river we saw heads everywhere." "It was a toad!" "He ate the crab I tied." Report or no report the sport has always been open to spicy stories and colorful lingo.

We look forward to seeing you in our schools this season if you are a newbie - and if you just want to immerse yourself - find the trip that matches your fly fishing desire. It really is a very exciting time for the fly fishing tribe to inspire peace. Thank you for your stories, curiosity and self direction. L-A



Saltwater Slam - open to all anglers. March 6-10, 2021

Ambergris Caye in Belize offers the adventurous fly fisher the opportunity to fly fish for bonefish, permit, tarpon, jacks and barracuda. The occasional cobia and snook are also targeted. The conservation efforts over the last ten years have produced very healthy population numbers for the fishery. We're seeing some huge bonefish cruising the flats in addition to the plentiful schools

of 2-4 lb fish. Permit and Tarpon schools continue to increase and plenty of tails abound! Our guide team is ready to show you all the specialness of Isla Bonita! Come cast your fly in the beautiful Caribbean. Belize is open and travelers are showing up. We look forward to providing you the very best.

Join us for six nights, 4 days of guided fishing and one free day to explore San Pedro. Our english speaking guides will take you to all the great spots so you can slam! On your day off choose from snorkling, paddle boards, biking or just relax on the beach. If there is something else you'd like to see or do, just let us know and we'll make it happen! Casting clinics with Lori-Ann Murphy and the Reel Belize Team.

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Flyfishing Tip of the Week..... by Lori-Ann Murphy

Know the behavior of the fly you are fishing. There might be hoppers out there, but are they active or drowned? What cycle of a mayfly hatch are you imitating? A spinner drifts - it's spent. An emerging nymph has movement - that is what you are imitating swinging flies for trout. Does the fly really need a dead free float? My personal opinion is that you can have a funny looking fly out there but if it behaves like the food the fish is feeding on, it's going to get eaten. In the salt- same deal. A shrimp pattern like a Christmas Island Special is not going to behave like a Bower Crab. A shrimp gets striped fast then chased hard for the grab and a crab fly falls and then gets intercepted. There are great rewards for an angler that understands this behavior. It's not throwing out a fly and doing the same thing. It's casting the fly, and then the line management needed to make the fly look like the real deal. And then sometimes, when you really don't know, you do something that gets some serious

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Back to Basics

June 26-28, 2021 Jackson Hole, WY July 17-20, 2021 Ennis, MT

Learn in two days what could take years to discover on your own! Our goal is to introduce you to what you will encounter in the world of fly fishing. We stress confidence in the outdoors and using your power of observation to make smart outdoor decisions based on the world around you. You will learn from accomplished casting instructors the basics of a good cast as well as advanced casting techniques. We teach knots, equipment, entomology, how to read water and think like a fish!

Our objective is to make you an independent angler by teaching you the basics and build from there -or help you to get rid of bad habits. This school is great for beginners and experienced anglers. All schools include two days of instruction, rod fees, written material, lunch and equipment. Small classes and low instructor-guide ratio provides BIG FUN!

This is also a GREAT Christmas present. Just sayin! We have personalized gift certificates for the special woman in your life. Join the tribe of fun fly fishing women. Cheers.

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Women's Fly Fishing School: Back To Basics

Jackson Hole, Wyoming Limited to eight women. June 26-28

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Ennis, Montana Limited to ten women. July 17-20

Women's Guide School Limited to ten women. 2 spaces left! July 3-9, 2021 July 24-30, Sold Out

Ladies on the Mend! Henry's Fork -Idaho New Limited to ten women, seven spaces left. August 5-8





2020 Trips 4th Annual Women'sPermit Quest November 14-20, 2020 1 Space Open!





2021 Trips 5th Annual Permit Quest Limited to six women each week. Feb 12-18 - 1 Space Open Feb 19-25 - 2 Spaces Open

Couples Saltwater Trip Ambergris Caye, Belize Limited to four couples. 2 couples spaces left! Feb 27- March 4

Saltwater Slam! Ambergris Caye, Belize Limited to six women. March 6-10 New!

> Womens Tarpon Quest Limited to six women. May 15-22 4 Spaces Left!

Women's Madison River Trip July 10-17 -Sold out.

Ladies on the Mend! Henry's Fork -Idaho Limited to ten women, 7 Spaces Open! August 5-8

Deschutes River Women's Steelhead Camp Trip Sold out! August 25-29, 2021

Women's Yellowstone River Trip Limited to four women. 2 Spaces Left September 18-22

Yellowstone River Couples Trip Limited to four couples. September 25-30



2022 Trips

Women's Madison River Trip Limited to ten women. July 9-15

Women's Yellowstone Trip September 17-21

Couples Yellowstone River Trip September 24-28

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