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Life on the Fly..... By Lori-Ann Murphy

"Of Wind and Tides" all caught on Mom's Worry with Capt. Stu Apte. Stu turned 90 this week and it's a milestone to be celebrated. His hug, open enthusiastic eyes and everlasting smile are just a few big reasons. A fly fishing giant, Stu breaks down his life in his book with incredible stories that make you feel like your are reading about a super hero, and you are. Bigger than life characters are born to share and let you believe it's OK to be just as brave. Stu finds the perfect bit of prose as part of the books Frontispiece:
... "Though anglers are rarely surprised by a totally grim day, we nearly always maintain our optimism. We understand pessimism because our dreams are sometimes dented by the blows of fate, but always our hope returns, like a primrose after a hard winter. —Chris

Yates, "How to Fish."

Watching Stu Apte land a tarpon is something one remembers forever. There are no useless moves. Every single movement has been studied and tried to perfection. From his grip to the terminal tackle a tarpon is tamed from the grab to the home plate. Aerial runs from a giant tarpon are no match for this former Navy fighter pilot. Stu has gone through life and grabbed it for its worth. His fabulous bride Jeannine is his moon and stars. He calls her his "Luckiest Catch Ever!"

Returning to Montana in the summertime often allows me to see Stu as pictured here two years ago at a Bonefish Tarpon Trust event hosted by Yellowdog in Bozeman. I wish I could share some of our stories but that is for another time. OK maybe one. On the way home from fishing the Everglades with a group of characters gathered by Cortland - Stu offered to drive me back to Islamorada. As he was writing his book, he told me about some of the stories. "There is going to be a lot of sex in the book Lori-Ann!" And then, well, let's just say I said, "So the stories about all those flight attendants having a key..." We laughed and that's what we do when we see each other, laugh. Not only have I learned a thing or two about landing a tarpon from this giant of a man, I have learned to see what standing up to life is all about. And I guess that never goes out of style. L-A

Photo: **Stu Apte** is an international fly fishing legend with a rich history of adventure spanning from sea to the sky. Happy birthday Stu!

Covid 19 and Reel Women Policy

We're excited to see spring returning to the Rocky Mountains in such a beautiful form. As we've had so much time to reflect, I think its made us all a little more grateful for where we live and fish.... and the simple things in life. The beauty before us on the river, good friends and family, and of course those fish!

As Montana and Wyoming are both now opening we'll be holding our small group functions this summer. Our trips and classes have eight or less and we'll be carefully



approaching social distancing standards and recommended practices.

If you'd like to plan a little further out, we have plenty of trips, classes and clinics available in 2021 and 2022 and look forward to sharing those with our Reel Women network too! Thank you all for your friendship, support and making Reel Women what it is today. We look forward to fishy experiences with you soon!

Book a 2020 or 2021 trip with us before the end of the year and we'll require only 25% down. The balance due 90 days before arrival. If your plans change due to Covid or any other reason you can reschedule. That means you can put your down payment toward any Reel Women Adventure trip with open space. We also offer Global Rescue's Cancel For Any Reason Trip Insurance. We want to see you back on the water, casting to your dreams!



Reel Women Adventures Madison River, Montana
July 10-17, 2021

July 9-15, 2022

Please join Lori-Ann Murphy for a special week of fly fishing on the Madison River in Montana!

We will be staying at The Old Kirby Place located in Cameron, Montana. Right on the banks of the Madison River!!!! We are expecting the Salmon Fly Hatch this week for world class dry fly fishing.

Day 1. Clinics with Lori-Ann on the river. Free time with unguided fishing.

Days 2 & 3. . Head out with guides and fish the best river for the day. Guides will take you to to dry fly hatching, trout gulping joy. You can get out of the boat and wade fish as well. After all, Montana is "Big Sky Country!" You don't want to miss it, so look up!

Day 4. Free fish day. Walk on down from the Log Cabin Old Kirby Place and have at it! We'll be around to coach you or land your fish!

Day 5. Guided fishing

Day 6. Free fish day. We are expecting the "hatch" like fireworks!

Day 7. Departure day. Shuttle back to Bozeman Airport or take off and explore some more on your own!

Full western hospitality at prime time summer fly fishing fun. These trips will fill quickly, so make your plans now.

7 nights single occupancy lodging, all meals, 6 days fishing with clinics and guides. \$2995

[Email us for trip or class details!](#)



Yellowstone River September 19-23, 2020

Montana -Big Sky Country, God's Country.... call it what you will. Its nothing less than spectacular, especially in the fall. The

Yellowstone river holds some big, beautiful fish and we'll be catching them! 4 nights single occupancy lodging, 3 days shared fly fishing from drift boats with some of my favorite guides. Lori-Ann's casting clinics and great home cooked meals!

Our lodging destination is by the North Entrance of Yellowstone National Park. The trip could be extended to see or fish the Park if desired. A short get-away with long lasting effects! What can we say? It is always a blast and you'll meet new friends in addition to a world class fly experience!

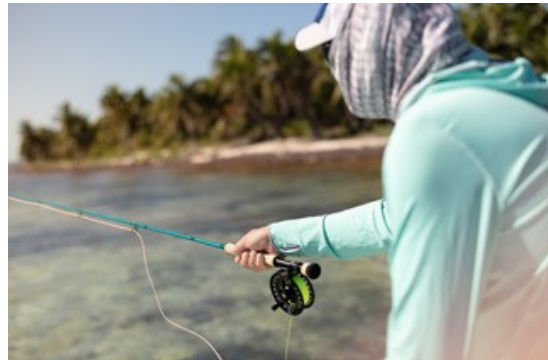
The Reel Answers

During this time at home, we will bring you some things to think about, practice or consider as you dream of those upcoming sunny days on the water. Subjects you'd like us to address??? Shoot them over and we will do our best. Stay safe!

Casting Tips...GripBy Lori-Ann Murphy

Are you gripped? Let's pay attention to feeling the rod in our casting hand. If

you are “gripped” you just can’t feel all that fun movement in the cast. Many times when I analyze a cast, this is the first thing I check. Sometimes the day is so exciting that you just can’t help yourself and find you’re trying too hard and it’s not helping your cast. Play



around with just how lightly you can keep that rod in your hand and still make those snappy stops in the same casting plane. And this is especially important in the wind. Relaxed practiced moves makes the delivery! Depending on where the wind is coming from will determine your stops. If it’s coming from the back of you, then stop your forward cast higher and let the line fly with the wind. If the wind is in your face - stop the rod sooner on the backcast, let the wind take the line and wait for it, then come down toward the water with your forward stop and it will all turn over. Really. Until next week, keep on casting!

Reel Women Guide School

July 24-30, 2021

Our guide school was started in the 90's as the first all women's school. We teach you how to work with your clients, row a drift boat, back up the truck and trailer, bugs, casting techniques and more. We have changed the program to allow for personal distancing while still providing you with the best learning experience



for rowing a drift boat safely down the river and increasing your fly fishing teaching skills. We learn as we teach! This course is limited to 6 women.

6 night/5 day fly fishing intensive. Single occupancy lodging, all course material and fly fishing equipment needed, meals from our favorite cowboy cook, transportation to lodging, and a very special program for experienced women guides.

Global Rescue and Travel Insurance

Travel plans in the near future have been put on hold for many of us. However if you are considering a trip for next winter or that special occasion in 2021-2022 let Global Rescue answer questions about different types of travel insurance that are available.

<https://globalrescue.com/reelwomenflyfishingadventures/>





Tarpon Quest
May 15-22, 2021

Come on ladies..... let's show them what we got! Our large Tarpon arrive end of April/ first of May and this will be our chance to put some big fish pictures on your social media page! Of course, the Bonefish, Permit and other favorites are still around too.... maybe even your first Grand Slam will await.

We'll leave earlier in the day and return to give you time for a dip in the pool under our summer Belizian sun. There is nothing like watching these big Tarpon leap through the air as you fight them. They'll be here and we're excited to put a team together to land them in 2021.

If you book with a fishing buddy there is a discount available for both of you! Email us to make it happen.....

[Email us for more details!](#)

Permit Quest 2021


February 12-18 and 19-25, 2021

Permit Quest is always the favorite -and always sells out first amongst all Reel Women Trips. In 2021 we're going to add to the great fishing with local flavor! Its the opening of Lobster season and carnival!



Show up and chase Permit, meet other fanatical fly fishing women and enjoy all the greatness of San Pedro. Daily clinics with Lori-Ann and her Reel Belize team. 6 nights single occupancy lodging at Pelican Reef Villas, 5 days guided fishing shared with one angler, and a boat load of fun pursuing “Palameta!” Of course this trip is open to all levels of experience. Our first year our “newbie” landed three tarpon in one day! Bonefish, permit and tarpon live full time around the waters that surround Ambergris Caye, Belize. We call this our “Permit Quest,” but of course all species are here for you.

We have our Chef's come in and cook up mouth watering local Belizean style dinners. Delcia and Norma are a big reason so many of our anglers return for Permit Quest! We'll make sure some lobster and local San Pedro flavor are experienced after landing fish all day! Plan to escape next years winter on our warm sunny beaches and flats with Reel Women Adventures.



Permit at the end of our dock!

Some have called it the 'holy grail' of flats fishing. A great trout guide referred to the experience as 'hunting unicorns' after his first day on the flats. There are regular stories of the fisherman who lands the Permit buying drinks, eating scorpions.... oh this fish! They are tough to find and tougher to land.

In Belize we have an amazing Permit population. You'll find singles cruising the flats but you'll also see schools of Permit cruising together right here in San Pedro. Permit fishing isn't easy anywhere... but they are here and our environmental protection programs implemented in the last 10 years have been great for our Permit population!

Cast to Your Dreams!

All of our schools and trips offer a low guide:angler ratio. We keep the groups small so we can accomplish our goals to help you with the best fly-fishing of your life. We have incorporated new standards for teaching and guiding regarding this time of social distancing. We know times are changed. We also know we can fish our way through fear and share some fresh air in nature!

2020 Trips

Permit Quest
November 14-20, 2020

Back to Basics Jackson Hole
June 26-29 **Sold Out**

Reel Women Madison River
June 26- July 3 **-Sold Out**

Back to Basics Three Forks, MT
Taught by Lori-Ann Murphy &
Chloe Nostrant

2021 Trips

Permit Quest
Feb 12-18 & Feb 19-25

Tarpon Quest
May 15-22

Back To Basics Jackson Hole
June 25-28

Reel Women Madison River
July 10-17, 2021

Reel Women Guide School

July 14-17, Limited to six women, 2 spaces left

Women's Guide School

July 18-24 **Sold Out**

Yellowstone River Couples Trip
September 12-17, 2020 -Space for
1 more couple

Reel Women Yellowstone River
(Montana Get Away)
September 19-23 **2 Spaces Left!**

July 24-30

2022 Trips

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July 9-15

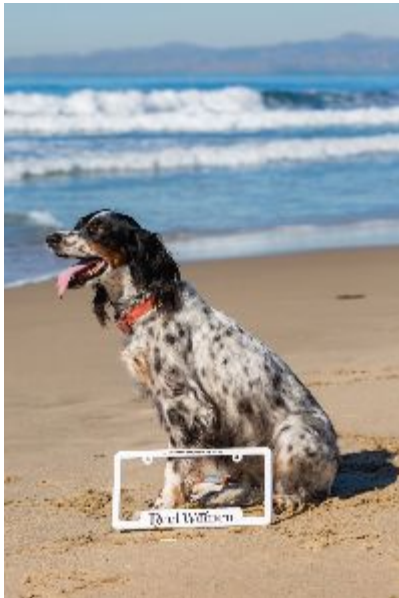
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