



WYHUNTFISH-First Fish on a Fly

The WYHUNTFISH-First Fish on a Fly is a Mentored Program that teaches youth and adults the basic skills and techniques fly anglers use to fish western trout rivers and lakes. Not only do you learn, we are thrilled to put your new skills and knowledge to the test and fly fish for your First Fish on a Fly.

During the summer and fall of 2023, we'll have the privilege to fly fish unique private trout waters near Cody, Wyoming, and experience the tug of the line while fishing for rainbow, brown, brook, and cutthroat trout.

Successful applicants, with experienced mentors, will begin their journey to your First Fish on a Fly by completing two skills clinics that teach the basics of fly fishing, where you'll learn about the gear you'll need, rigging, fly selection, and where to find trout. It starts with a fly tying clinic where you will learn to tie flies. The second clinic is all about learning casting techniques and practicing casting a fly line.

The second half of this journey will be an actual fly fishing experience on private or public waters near Cody, Wyoming. You and your experienced mentors will arrange time on the water that fits your schedules. You'll gain hands-on experience of hooking, landing and releasing trout and understand the importance of cold-water fisheries conservation.

The only cost to the participants is that you will need to purchase your Wyoming fishing license and conservation stamp. You will provide your own transportation to the skills clinic locations. The skill clinics are scheduled for Saturday, 1 April and Saturday, 3 June of 2023. Fly fishing rod/reel/gear, leaders and tippet, tying materials and flies are provided to you by our sponsors. All you'll need to bring is enthusiasm and the willingness to learn.

The **WYHUNTFISH-First Fish on a Fly** is possible through a partnership with First Hunt Foundation, East Yellowstone Trout Unlimited, Wyoming Outdoorsmen and Wyoming Game and Fish, who work together to achieve an outstanding and unique experience in an outdoor skills program.

INTERESTED? – If you are, please use the following URL to be directed to the application. The application deadline is Sunday, 26 March. Successful applicants will be notified by Wednesday 29 March. Successful applicants must be willing to commit to attending the MANDATORY clinics on an introductory fly tying and fly casting basics scheduled on Saturday, 1 April and Saturday, 3 June respectively.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeLPkXCME2-NIKM83SK8EJIV2RBprW5bb0BYk9vLqEndNspg/viewform>

Questions? - We know that being new to hunting can be intimidating. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to one of us. We are here to help!

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