

Catch of the Month!

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Here is Roger Harris fishing on the Colorado River with Jack, his 13-year-old nephew.



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Fly of the Month · August 2020



The transition from summer to fall can be tough for many anglers as the hatches shift and temperatures start to drop. If you would like to make the most of this season, keep your eyes open and your fly boxes stocked for these 5 key hatches: the October Caddis, Late Season Hoppers, Trico Mayflies, Streamers, and Blue Winged Olive Mayflies.



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FLY OF THE MONTH • HOTWIRE CADDIS • SIZE 14

With its flashy wire wrapped abdomen and soft hackle neck pulsing in the current, the Beadhead Hotwire Caddis is a trout seductress. Tied to imitate the emerging caddis (caddis pupa), the Hotwire Caddis lives up to its name and has been the foundation to many epic fishing stories across the country.



Dry/Wet: Wet | **Fly Category**: Attractor Pattern **Family**: Caddis flies | **Species**: N/A | **Life Stage**: Pupa

Get Ready for the Big-5 Fall Hatches

By: Ascent Fly Guru, Charlie Lukasiewicz

1. October Caddis

This caddis is one of the most exciting hatches an angler witnesses on the water! It is huge and will vary from a size 12 – 10! October Caddis hatch in September through November across much of the western United States. To take full advantage of this hatch, it is important to have all the life cycles represented in your box: larvae, pupae (emerger) and adults.





2. Late Season Hoppers

Believe it or not, this hatch is one of the most underrated yet consistent producers in the fall. The kids are back in school and the fair-weather fisherman have hung up their vests for the year, but a lot of fish (and big ones too) are still looking up towards the surface. Don't hesitate to go big or go home with a hopper dropper well into the fall.

3. Trico Mayflies

The Tricos kick off in mid to late July and will last through September. This is one of our favorite hatches of the year and has every trout in the water looking up to feed on rafts of spent Trico spinners. The best time to fish this hatch is in the morning as the spinners fall and die between 9:30 – 11 am each morning. Fishing with drowned Trico spinners such as a Matt's Lead and Parachute Tricos can be deadly if timed and fished correctly.



4. Streamers

It's that time of year where streamers can be really effective as the brown trout get fired up to spawn. Depending on the temperature of the water, from late September through the dead of winter, brown trout will be aggressively hunting for those big meals. Large black, olive or rust colored Slumpbusters are among our favorite fall streamers!



5. Blue Winged Olive Mayflies

Starting in early September through November, a couple month break and cooling temperatures bring back the emergence of the famed Blue Winged Olive Mayfly. The fall generation of Blue Winged Olives is smaller than their spring cousins and vary in size from 22 – 24, but what they lack in size they make up in quantity and consistency! Some of our favorite patterns for these are the Barr's BWO Emergers, the Greg's BWO Emerger, A Mercury FB Pheasant tail or an olive black Juju Baetis.



Fall is a great time to take advantage of these 5 amazing hatches!