Suggested Rods

The best types of fishing rods are the take down pack rods. We can pack take down two-piece rods as well, but please, no one-piece rods longer than five feet, as they are difficult to pack and may get broken.

Suggested Fishing Tackle and Lures

Trout fishing in Wyoming's high country is very good throughout the summer and fall months. The spring months of May and June are not as productive as later months due to spring runoff in the streams and possible ice on the lakes. The fishing tackle is separated into two categories: spin fishing and fly fishing. Listed below are the basics. Feel free to bring along your favorite lures too.

Fly Fishing

**Rods:** Be sure that you have cases for these rods. Graphite 8 to 9 feet; 4, 5, or 6 weight work best.

**Reels:** Single action with extra spool for line change. Be sure the reel, line, and rod are matched.

**Line:** Floating double taper or weight forward and a sinking or wet type. Having both types will be of a benefit to you.

**Tapered Leader:** Assorted sizes and lengths.

**Tippet Material:** Assorted sizes.

**Flies:**

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**Terrestrials and Midges:**

- Parachute Hopper (8, 10, 12)
- Whitlock Hopper (6, 8, 10, 12)
- Black Flying Ant (10, 14)
- Griffith's Gnat (22)
- Dave's Hopper (8, 10, 12)
- Parachute Flying Ant (10)
- Lawson's Foam Beetle (14, 16, 18)
- Deer Hair Spider (18, olive)

**Dry Flies:**

- Slick Water Caddis (16, 18, 20)
- Adams Irresistible (10, 12, 14, 16)
- Yellow Sally (16)
- Royal Wulff Trude (10, 12)
- Adams (12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22)
- Golden Stimulator (12, 14, 16)
- Orange Humpy (12, 14, 16)
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- Golden Stimulator (12, 14, 16)
- Orange Humpy (12, 14, 16)
- Royal Wulff (10, 12, 14, 16, 18)
- Green Drake Cripple (12)
- Parachute Adams (12, 14, 16, 18)
- Turck's Tarantula (10)
- Orange Stimulator (12, 14, 16)
- Double Yellow Humpy (8, 10)
- Yellow Humpy (10, 12, 14, 16)
- Caddis Emerger (14, 16, olive)

**Wet Flies:**

- Prince Nymph (10, 12, 14, 16, wtd.)
- Bitch Creek (4, 6, 8, wtd.)
- Zug Bug (12, 14, 16, wtd.)
- Pheasant Tail Nymph (12, 14, 16, 18, wtd.)
- Gold Bead Hare's Ear (12, 14, 16, wtd.)
- Rubberbugger (4, black)
- Muddler Minnow (4, 6, 8, 10, wtd.)
- Wooly Bugger (4, 6, black)
- Black Rubberlegs (2, 4, 6, heavily weighted)
- Dark Stone (6, wtd.)
- Gold Ribbed Hare's Ear (8, 10, 12, 14, 16, wtd.)
- Gold Bead Prince Nymph (8, 10, 12, 14, 16, wtd.)
- Peacock Wooly Worm (6, 8, 10)
- Crystal Buggers (6, 12, coal or olive; 10, brown)
- Beaded Crystal Buggers (8, olive, silver/gray, or brown)

**Rods:** Light and medium action (no-one piece rods as they are too long to pack and could get broken or damaged).

**Reels:** This is your choice. Any open or closed face reel will do fine as well as any of the fine bait casting reels.

**Line:** 4 or 6 pound test, monofilament.

**Float tube or belly boat:** Call us about the specific area you'll be fishing, as a tube may not be necessary.

**Lures:** (in no particular order)
- Dardevle (¼, 2/5)
- Flatfish (F4)
- Crocodile (¼, ¾)
- Little Cleo (1/8, ¼)
- Panther Martin (1/16, 1/8, ¼)
- Rooster Tail (1/16, 1/8, ¼)
- Mepps Killer Kits (dressed or plain, size #1)

Good assortments of colors are important. Some of the more popular are red and yellow, red and black, green and black, chartreuse, silver, and hammered brass with red.

This is but a small sampling of flies that will work. There are many others that do as well. Also, fly-fishing may be done with a spinning rod and bobber, but may not be as productive. You may want to bring along a pair of waders. One thing is for sure, fishing is a great sport no matter what type of gear you use.