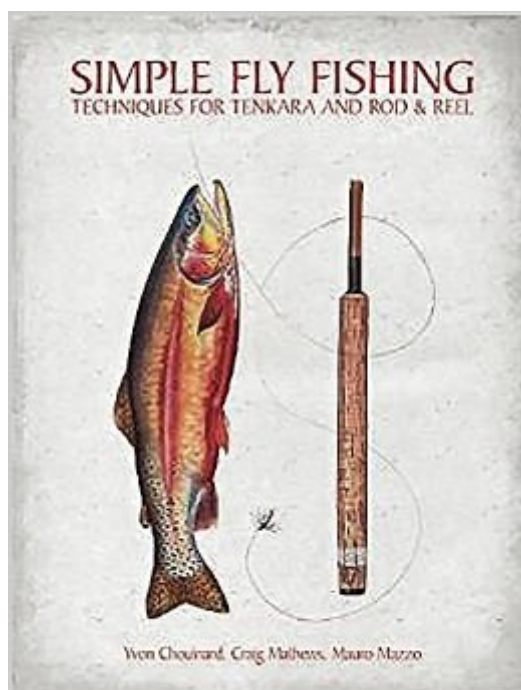


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# Simple Fly Fishing: Techniques For Tenkara And Rod And Reel



## Synopsis

Modern-day fly fishing, like much in life, has become exceedingly complex, with high-tech gear, a confusing array of flies and terminal tackle, accompanied by high-priced fishing guides. This book reveals that the best way to catch trout is simply, with a rod and a fly and not much else. The wisdom in this book comes from a simpler time, when the premise was: the more you know, the less you need. It teaches the reader how to discover where the fish are, at what depth, and what they are feeding on. Then it describes the techniques needed to present a fly at that depth, make it look lifelike, and hook the fish. With chapters on wet flies, nymphs, and dry flies, its authors employ both the tenkara rod as well as regular fly fishing gear to cover all the bases. Illustrated by renowned fish artist James Prosek, with inspiring photographs and stories throughout, Simple Fly Fishing reveals the secrets and the soul of this captivating sport. Winner, Guidebooks, Banff Mountain Book Competition 2014

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I wish the casting instructions were just a little bit better, and thus I'm taking 1 star off. Actually, I'd give it 4-1/2 stars if I could. After the Foreword and Introduction, we have chapters on "trout and their food", "fly fishing with wet flies and streamers", "fly fishing with nymphs", "fly fishing with dry flies", "fishing situations", and an afterword. If there were a little more time spent on reading water, one could ALMOST learn to fly fish (at least with a tenkara rod) from this book! A determined person with previous stream and river fishing experience might actually pull it off. I've been following Chouinard since he was making Lost Arrow pitons, skyhooks, and other extreme rock climbing gear

- in the 60's. Now we're a little older and tending towards more genteel pursuits, such as fly fishing. As he relates several times in this book, his climbing adventures have often taken him to the "back of beyond" where there have been almost no sport fisherman to EVER wet a line in the rivers and lakes he passed while traveling to and from the climbing area. As Chouinard has aged, he's evidently become more interested in the fishing opportunities than the climbing in remote areas. Most of the (many) gorgeous photos in this book were taken in Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming, since one of the co-authors, Craig Mathews, is the owner/operator of Blue Ribbon Flies, a fly fishing shop and guide service in West Yellowstone, MT. The authors spend some amount of time speaking of presentation of your fly at rather short range, often surprisingly near the bank of both rivers and flat water. One of the weirdest "techniques" presented in this book is the idea of "THROWING YOUR ROD!!!!" Yeah, you're not fishing with a rod and reel with a fancy drag system in a tenkara rod setup!

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