**Fly Fishing Tailwaters Class**

**Equipment List:**

Anglers should bring their own:

* Rod/reel
* Leaders/tippet
* Flies
* Waders and boots

**Topics:**

* Rigging 10 Minutes – 20 Minutes Total
  + Nymph rig with a trailing midge or scud –David Perry
  + Dry/dropper rig – David Knapp
  + Streamer on floating line and streamer on a sinking line – Either
* Bugs/entomology 15 Minutes -30 Minutes Total
  + Use the seine/kick net to collect specimens – Both
  + Ask everyone to look in their fly boxes and select something that looks similar to some of the bugs we find. – Everyone participates
* Fly selection –Part of above
* Reading water/where to fish 10 Minutes – 20 Minutes Total
  + Discussion/explanation on where to find fish in the Caney Fork – David Perry
* Hooking and playing trout on light tackle 5 minutes -10 Minutes Total – David Perry
* Demonstrate Special casts (Parachute, Pile, and Reach Casts) 15 Minutes – 30 Minutes Total – David Knapp
* Mending/getting longer drifts 10 Minutes – 20 Minutes Total –David Perry and David Knapp. Have everyone do the “mending” motion with their fly rods without any line out for practice sake, then move onto the stream.
* PRACTICE – Everyone participates!

**Gear:**

David Knapp’s Tailwater Starter Kit Basic Edition

* Rio 9’ 5x Leader
* 1 30m spool of Rio 5x Powerflex tippet
* 1 30m spool of Rio 6x Fluoroflex Plus Tippet
* 1 pack of Lightning Strike white pinch on oval strike indicators
* Tailwater flies selection

David Knapp’s Tailwater Starter Kit Deluxe Edition

* Rio 3 pack of 9’ 5x leaders
* Rio 9’ 3x leader
* 1 30m spool of Rio 3x Powerflex tippet
* 1 30m spool of Rio 5x Powerflex tippet
* 1 30m spool of Rio 6x Powerflex tippet
* 1 30m spool of Rio 5x Fluoroflex Plus tippet
* 1 30m spool of Rio 6x Fluoroflex Plus tippet
* #8 Anchor Split Shot Dispenser
* 1 pack of Lightning Strike white pinch on oval strike indicators
* Tailwater flies selection

David Knapp’s Basic Tailwater Flies Selection (1.5 Dozen Flies)

* 4 #12 Parachute Adams
* 2 #18 Black/Copper Zebra Midges
* 2 #18 Black/Silver Zebra Midges
* 2 #20 Craven’s Poison Tung Olive/Black
* 2 #16 Gray Shrimp/Scud
* 2 #14 Red Copper Johns
* 2 #14 Bead Head Prince Nymphs
* 2 #14 Bead Head Pheasant Tail Nymphs

David Knapp’s Deluxe Tailwater Flies Selection (3 Dozen Flies)

* 4 #12 Parachute Adams
* 2 #18 Black/Copper Zebra Midges
* 2 #20 Black/Copper Zebra Midges
* 2 #18 Black/Silver Zebra Midges
* 2 #20 Black/Silver Zebra Midges
* 2 #18 Craven’s Poison Tung Olive/Black
* 2 #20 Craven’s Poison Tung Olive/Black
* 2 #22 ICSI Midges
* 2 #24 ICSI Midges
* 2 #16 Gray Shrimp/Scud
* 2 #14 Red Copper Johns
* 2 #14 Bead Head Prince Nymphs
* 2 #14 Bead Head Pheasant Tail Nymphs
* 2 #14 Bead Head Hares’ Ear Nymphs
* 2 #8 Bead Head Black Wooly Buggers
* 2 #8 Bead Head Olive Wooly Buggers
* 2 #8 Natural/Pearl Zonkers