



6. Micro Parachute Mayflies

Best Fall Variations: *BWO, Adams, PMD, Trico*

Best Fall Sizes: *18 – 24*



If you want to stretch your dry fly fishing into the fall, you're going to need to fish small mayflies. Tricos, BWOS, and even some late blooming PMDs will all catch fish, and should help you scratch that dry fly itch one last time before a long winter drought.

Christmas Tree Cutting Event

Wambolt & Associates would like to invite you to our first ever Christmas Tree Cutting Event. Make getting a tree an experience this year by selecting and chopping down your very own Christmas Tree. Bring the whole family, your dogs, your neighbors, your friends, your colleagues.... All are welcome!

When:

December 4th From 10 AM – 3 PM and

December 5th From 1:30 PM – 5 PM

Where: **The Conifer Ranch - 12434 US Hwy 285 Conifer, CO. 80433**

What to Bring:

- Saw, Twine, and Tree Padding
- Warm Clothes and Sturdy Shoes
- Fun Filled Flask (Optional)
- Your Holiday Spirit (Required)

Food and drink will be provided. Don't need a tree? Still feel free to attend the party!

Kindly RSVP with an approximate number of guests to lisa.wambolt@wamboltwealth.com

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Fly of the Month November 2021



Marked by showers of golden-orange aspen leaves and crisp mornings, the summer has passed into fall and with-it trout fishing has entered one of its peak seasons. Invigorated by water temperatures dropping back into the 40's, the brown and brook trout get primed to spawn, and every fish in the river is looking to pack on some serious pounds to hold them over through winter's slim pickings. While most fall bugs might be small in stature, the size of their hatches can hit biblical proportions, with freshly laid trout eggs and baitfish fleshing out the rest of the menu. If you want to capitalize on this fall's feeding frenzy, tie on one of the Ascent Fly Fishing team's 6 Go-To fly patterns and tighten your drag!



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FLY OF THE MONTH • PARACHUTE CRICKET • SIZE 8

Like a Swiss cake roll with legs, crickets are a summer and fall favorite among hungry fish! From the big size 8 Mormon Crickets of the West to the small summer-chirpers of the East, these dark-profiled dry flies are a blast to fish throughout the warm months and are equally effective on the lake and river. Our parachute crickets are tied with a dark, translucent wing to help them glow against a bright sky, and a parachute to assist with visibility for the angler. This pattern is most effectively fished next to vegetative banks and on windy days when the naturals often lose their way and end up in the water.



Dry/Wet: Dry | **Fly Category:** True-Fly Pattern
| **Family:** Terrestrials | **Species:** Cricket | **Life Stage:** Adult

Top 6 Fall Fly Patterns By: Peter Sticher - Ascent Fly Fishing

1. Beadhead Thin Mint

Best Fall Sizes: 6 - 10

While the *Thin Mint* is one of our favorite streamer patterns year-round, we're tying this fly on every time we're on the river this fall. Intended to spark the aggressive pre-spawn fury of the brown and brook trout, big fish will strike at this all-purpose streamer as they jockey for position and compete for high calorie food.



2. Loop Egg

Best Fall Colors: Orange, Pink, Red

Eggs are one of the highest calorie and easily acquired food sources of the fall! The rainbow and cutthroat trout line up behind the spawning browns, brooks, and



kokanee and gorge themselves on eggs, and the brown and brook trout have no qualms eating their own species eggs as well. Eggs are at the top of the menu for the next couple of months, so tie on a *Loop Egg* this fall!

3. Top Secret Midge

Best Fall Colors: Brown, Light Grey, Black

Best Fall Sizes: 20 - 24

While it pains us to hang up our big summer dry flies, if you want to catch fish in the fall, you're going to need a solid midge emerger pattern, and there are few better than the *Top Secret Midge*. Regardless of the color, we like to fish these in sizes 20-24 as our last fly on our nymphing rig in order to keep it higher in the water column. Try it and you can thank us later!



4. Juju Baetis

Best Fall Colors: Blue/Purple, Olive/Black, Brown/Black

Best Fall Sizes: 20 - 22

The last major hatch of the fall and the first of the spring, the Blue Winged Olive Mayfly in all its life stages are must-haves for the fall fly fisher. While there are a lot of different mayfly nymph patterns in the fly shop, the slim profile and versatile colors of the *Juju Baetis* put this pattern firmly at the top of our list.



5. Chocolate Thunder

Best Fall Colors: Chocolate Brown, Light Grey, Dark Olive, Purple

Best Fall Sizes: 20 - 24

The *Chocolate Thunder* has been one of our most productive emerger patterns of the year, and you should expect no less when fishing it in the fall. Keep them small and fish them in the 2nd or 3rd position on your nymphing rig for the best results. Try our purple, grey, or dark olive for a new look at this killer pattern!



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