

# FlyFishing Equipment List

While we recommend that anglers bring their own equipment, Skeena Wilderness offers a limited amount of gear. Our angling equipment rental area has rods and reels that are kept in great condition, as well as convenient clothing rentals like waders and boots. If you know that you'll need something in advance, be sure to let us know well before your trip to confirm availability.

## Rods

Single-handed rods range from 9' to 11' with line sizes from 8 to 10. Spey rods from 12' to 15' are appropriate with line sizes from 7 to 9 when steelhead fishing. Anglers targeting kings may want to use Spey rods in line weights 8 to 10. If you plan to fish both wet and dry flies, bring a rod for each purpose. Spare rods are also a good idea in case of an accident.

## Reels

Bring high-quality single-action reels on your charter trip. Our reels hold at least 100 yards of backing, and 200 for fishing the Skeena. A good drag is helpful but not essential. Be sure to bring two reels if you plan on fishing both wet flies and dry flies.

## Lines

You should have at least two lines for wet fly angling with single-hand rods; we recommend a Rio VersiTip fly line and Jim Teeny's 200-grain sinking line (24'). Floating lines are excellent choices for wet fly-fishing in the classic "greased line" tradition and, of course, Spey or double-handed rods with a multi-tip line work best for dry fly angling.

## Tips

The tips that prove most useful on our trips are floating and wet tips: type three, type six, and type eight. Skagit heads are also highly recommended for fishing wet flies on tips, while Scandi heads are preferred for dry line and dry fly fishing.

## Leaders/Tippets

Dry fly leaders should be 12' to 15' in length and tapered down to a 12- to 16-lb. test. On the other hand, wet fly leaders are typically straight sections of 12- to 15-lb. Maxima Ultra Green. Feel free to ask our guides for suggestions.



While the guides will provide flies in some situations, we strongly recommend that you come prepared with your own flies. A full breakdown of the different flies that we often have available is listed below. Feel free to contact us with any questions.

## Dry Flies/Skaters (Sizes 2 to 6):

Morrish Pompador — Nightshade, Black & Green, October Caddis

Howell Ska-Opper — Black, Natural

Steelhead Muddler — Natural, Black, Purple

Quigley Dragon Gurgler — Natural, Black, October Caddis

## Traditional Steelhead Wets (Sizes 2 to 8):

Green Butt Skunk

Green Butt Hilton

Bruiser — Black & Blue, Purple

Streetwalker

Silver Hilton

Lady Caroline

October Hilton

Popsicles/Silvey's Marabou Madam

Polar Shrimp

## Modern Steelhead Wets (Sizes 1/0 to 4):

Morrish Medusa — Black & Blue, Black & Pink, Popsicle

Morrish Cold Medicine — Black & Blue, Purple & Pink, Black & Gold

Morrish Trailer Trash — Black & Blue, Sherbet, Nightshade

Killowatt — Black & Blue, Purple

Ho Bo Spey — Black & Blue, Green Butt, Orange & Purple, Orange & Pink, Cerise & Black

Howell's Signature Intruder — Olive, Black & Blue, Green Butt, Purple

Quigley's Double Bead Spey

Silvey's Extractor (Large & Small) — Black & Blue, Green Butt, Red

Perpetrator — Black & Copper, Black & Gold, October Orange, Silver Hilton

Loop Leech — Black, Black & Chartruese, Black & Blue

Rock Star — Pink & Purple

## Tube Flies:

Silveynator—Hot Orange & Black, Pink & Purple, Black & Blue

Bunny Tube—Batman, Black & Blue, Popsicle

Morrish Half Breed—Green Head, Red Head

Morrish Thunder Egg—Bright Pink, Orange

Egg Lace Worm

Magnum Egg - Peachy Pink, Roe

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