Flyfishing New Zealand North Island: The Ultimate Guide to the North Island's Best Fly Fishing Spots

New Zealand is a fly fisher's paradise, and the North Island is home to some of the best fly fishing in the country. With its stunning scenery, abundant fish populations, and variety of fishing opportunities, the North Island has something to offer every angler. Whether you're looking to catch your first trout or land a trophy salmon, you'll find what you're looking for in the North Island.



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This guide will help you plan your next fly fishing trip to the North Island. We'll cover everything from the best rivers and lakes to fish, to the types of fish you can expect to catch, to the flies that work best. So whether you're a beginner or an experienced angler, you'll find all the information you need to make your next fly fishing trip a success.

The Best Rivers and Lakes to Fish

There are hundreds of rivers and lakes in the North Island that offer great fly fishing. Here are a few of our favorites:

- The Tongariro River is one of the most popular fly fishing rivers in New Zealand. It's home to a large population of rainbow and brown trout, and it's also a great place to catch salmon.
- The Wanganui River is another great option for fly fishing. It's a long, winding river that flows through some of the most beautiful scenery in the North Island. You can expect to catch a variety of trout, as well as salmon and other species.
- Lake Taupo is the largest lake in New Zealand, and it's also one of the best places to fish for trout. The lake is home to a huge population of rainbow and brown trout, and it's also a great place to catch salmon and other species.
- Lake Rotorua is another great option for fly fishing. It's a large, shallow lake that's home to a variety of trout, as well as other species.

The Types of Fish You Can Expect to Catch

The North Island is home to a variety of fish species, including:

- Rainbow trout are the most common type of trout in the North Island. They're a beautiful fish with a silvery body and a rainbow-colored stripe down their side. Rainbow trout are typically found in rivers and streams, and they're a great target for fly fishers.
- Brown trout are another common type of trout in the North Island.
 They're a larger fish than rainbow trout, and they have a brown or

olive-colored body. Brown trout are typically found in rivers and streams, but they can also be found in lakes.

- Salmon are a popular target for fly fishers in the North Island. They're a large, powerful fish with a silvery body and a dark back. Salmon are typically found in rivers and streams, but they can also be found in lakes.
- **Other species** that you might catch in the North Island include:
 - Grayling
 - Tench
 - Carp
 - Eels

The Flies That Work Best

The best flies to use for fly fishing in the North Island will vary depending on the time of year, the water conditions, and the type of fish you're targeting. However, some general tips include:

- Use small flies when fishing for trout. Size 12-16 flies are a good starting point.
- Use larger flies when fishing for salmon. Size 6-10 flies are a good starting point.
- Use bright flies in clear water. Flies with flashy colors, such as yellow, orange, and red, are a good choice.
- Use dark flies in murky water. Flies with dark colors, such as black, brown, and olive, are a good choice.

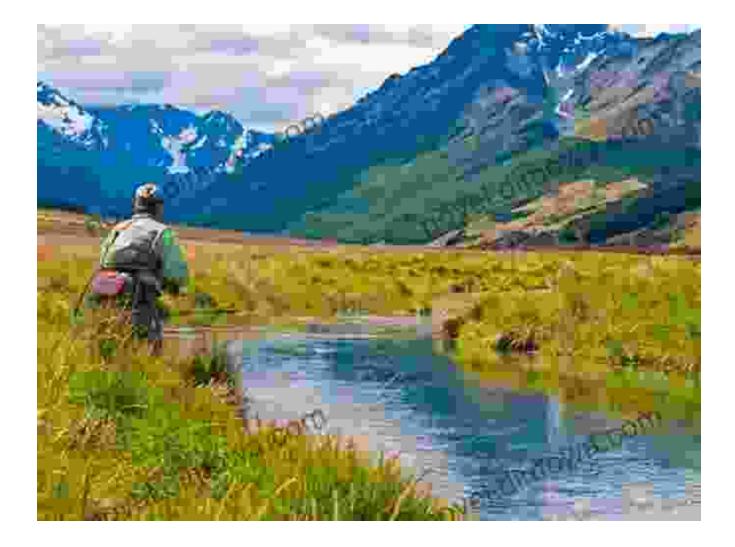
 Match the hatch. If you see insects hatching on the water, try using a fly that imitates that insect.

Flyfishing New Zealand North Island is the ultimate guide to the best fly fishing spots in the North Island of New Zealand. This comprehensive guide includes detailed descriptions of over 100 rivers, lakes, and streams, as well as information on the best times to fish, the types of fish you can expect to catch, and the flies that work best. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced angler, Flyfishing New Zealand North Island is the perfect resource for planning your next fly fishing trip.

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