

Our Favorite Flies - Rio Negro

We have strong opinions when it comes to flies for the Amazon. Proper fly size, shape, and color are vital to your success in these waters...but that's just the start. The right fly must also be durable and easy to cast all day long. If you want to try a favorite pattern on our fish, please do!

The best patterns for the Rio Negro are tied on 4/0 hooks and are either 5.5" or 8" in length. **Best color combos** are red/yellow, white/red, firetiger, and blue/white. You can literally tie a bunch of Half & Half Deceivers within these specifications and catch fish all week long.

Support your local fly shop! With enough advanced notice, your favorite fly shop can order any of the flies listed below for you. **We also have our favorite selections available on our web store (www.ShopNomadicWaters.com).**



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Advantages of EP Flies: Very easy to cast and our fish eat them like candy. High quality hooks and very well tied. Our Baker's Dozen assortment is made up entirely of EP Flies.

Disadvantages: Tend to tangle after multiple fish (just bring a small comb). Slow to sink with an intermediate line, so we like to add a 3/32 sliding weight to the leader for better performance. Expect to use 3-4 a day.

- PIKE/OFFSHORE TIGER FIRE #4/0
- PIKE/OFFSHORE BLACK/ORANGE #4/0
- PIKE/OFFSHORE WHITE PERCH #4/0
- AMAZON SP OLIVE ORANGE YELLOW #4/0
- DORADO BABY DORADO #4/0

Advantages of Umpqua Flies: Solid designs, great color combinations, great materials. Excellent source for the classic and most deadly patterns like Deceivers, Clousers, and Whistlers. **Seriously, don't leave home without these.**

Disadvantages: In our experience, the predator streamers from Umpqua are just too heavy for our guests to cast safely, accurately, and efficiently over the length of the day. Umpqua's Flashtail Whistlers are extremely effective and fun to fish, but they are not well tied and will fall apart on the 2nd fish. If you catch 40 fish in a day, then you'll need 20 of these flies per day. Instead, have your local fly shop tie these custom for you with durability in mind. They can also make these in the correct color combinations and sizes for our fishery.

Here are some great Umpqua flies:

- Big Fish Deceiver 3/0 Chart/White, Gray/White, Blue/White
- Flashtail Whistler 3/0 Red/White (Custom 4/0 Red/Yellow, Green/Yellow, All White with silver flash)
- Flashfire Mushy 2/0 Chart/White, Gray/White
- Clouser Minnow 3/0 Chartreuse/Yellow, Red/White (same custom notes as the Flashtail Whistler)
- Cruiser 3/0 Peacock, Anchovy, Red/White (ONLY if you are an expert caster)