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Big Pine Creek

















Suggested Flies for Big Pine Creek Area: Eastern Sierra Hatch Selection

Other Local Favorites:

Dry Flies:

Parachute Adams #16-18 Olive Elk Hair Caddis #16-18 Royal Wulff #16-18 BWO Sparkle Dun #18-20 BWO Parachute Dun #18-20 Griffith's Gnat #16-18 **Henrys Fork Hopper** Chernobyl Ant

Nymph Flies: Hare's Ear #16-18 Prince Nymph #16-18 Pheasant Tail Nymph #16-18

15 miles south of Bishop is the town of Big Pine on Hwy 395. Take Glacier Road, next to the Texaco Gas Station, Big Pine Creek follows the road with numer access points. The road goes to Glacier Lodge, an 11 mile distance.

To reach Baker Creek, take road 9S19 off Glacier Road, and proceed to the creek. Little Pine Creek can be reached of McMurray Meadows Road, a mile pas Road 9S19 turnoff on Glacer Road.





Notes:

Big Pine Creek is stocked with Rainbows from the first crossing of Glacier Road (a gaging station is nearby) to Sage Flat Campground. Above Sage Flat Campground are wild trout. The water flow is consistent year-round due to the large watershed it covers. The lower section outside of town is stocked only where the road crosses in two locations and is best fished during the Summer after the snowmelt has subsided. Although the area is semi-arid with hot day temps, the stream has an adequate riparian overstory to keep the water temps low and the fish happy. Between the second creek crossing and Sage Flat, the creek is travels through a steep gradient that is both difficult to fish or access. Once you reach Sage Flat, a couple of dirt roads provide access to the creek and fishing is possible. The upper section starting at Sage Flat campground offers very good fishing within a stand of Jeffrey Pines. This area is also stocked by CDFW with over 30,000 trout in the 10-12 inch range and about 600 trophy trout through the year.

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Baker Creek is planted with over 2000 Rainbows at the Baker Creek Campground just outside of town. The ponds of the campground are heavily fished. You can access wild trout within the upper section of the creek above the gaging station. Contains Rainbows and Browns.

Little Pine Creek: (not much known of the creek), Ralph Cutter's book 'Sierra Trout Guide" indicates that the creek has both rainbows and browns. His findin came from CDFW records in the 1980's.

Fishing Regulations (Effective March 1st, 2021)

Big Pine Creek:

From the last Saturday in April through November 15, five trout daily bag limit, 10 trout in possession; and, from November 16 through the Friday preceding the Saturday in April, 0 trout bag limit, artificial lures with barbless hooks only and trout must be released unharmed and not removed from the water.

All creeks and tributaries:

From the last Saturday in April through November 15, five trout daily bag limit, 10 trout in possession; and, from November 16 through the Friday preceding the Saturday in April, 0 trout bag limit, artificial lures with barbless hooks only and trout must be released unharmed and not removed from the water.

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