

Eric Austin



I grew up in the Adirondack Mountains of upstate New York. I started fishing as a teen in the early 1960's on the Saranac River near my hometown of Plattsburgh. I started tying flies almost immediately. I learned to tie from books in our local library written by tiers like Bergman, Lee and McClane.

One day I bought some flies tied by Fran Betters of Wilmington, and things were never the same again. I've been trying to match those flies ever since. I

never met Fran, although I've always considered him to be one of my biggest influences.

I like to fish dry flies, almost to the exclusion of everything else. I currently live in Delaware, Ohio and fish the Mad River all year. I tie almost every day, fish when I can, and enjoy talking fly tying with the friends I've made on line.

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