

Predictably, fishing remains much the same over the last month or so for me. It's hot all the time, so the patterns don't change. I and my clients have been catching lots of trout, with a decent percentage of keepers, and a few bigger specimens in the 20-26 inch class. On an average day, when the wind dies down under 10 for most of the morning, we are catching 80 to 100 fish or more, with 40% or so keepers, sometimes more than half keepers. On the best days, we'll have 20 or more trout exceeding 20 inches. On slower days, which usually occur when the wind doesn't die down as much or for as long, the action is slower, and we only catch 25 to 40 fish, with a smaller percentage of keepers. On some of those days, though, we've landed bigger fish. The pattern I'm fishing is one where I can wade on shallow structures, casting along their fringes and edges, and into water that's over 5 feet deep. When winds are light, Spook Juniors are working best. When it's windier, MirrOprops become more useful. And, of course, we're using MirrOlure Provokers at some point on every outing. On the tougher days, it's all about the worm. As far as twitchbaits go, the MirrOminnow has been useful at times. Corkies are basically on vacation, due to return when the water cools down some. Water quality is generally good in lots of places, crystal clear in some.