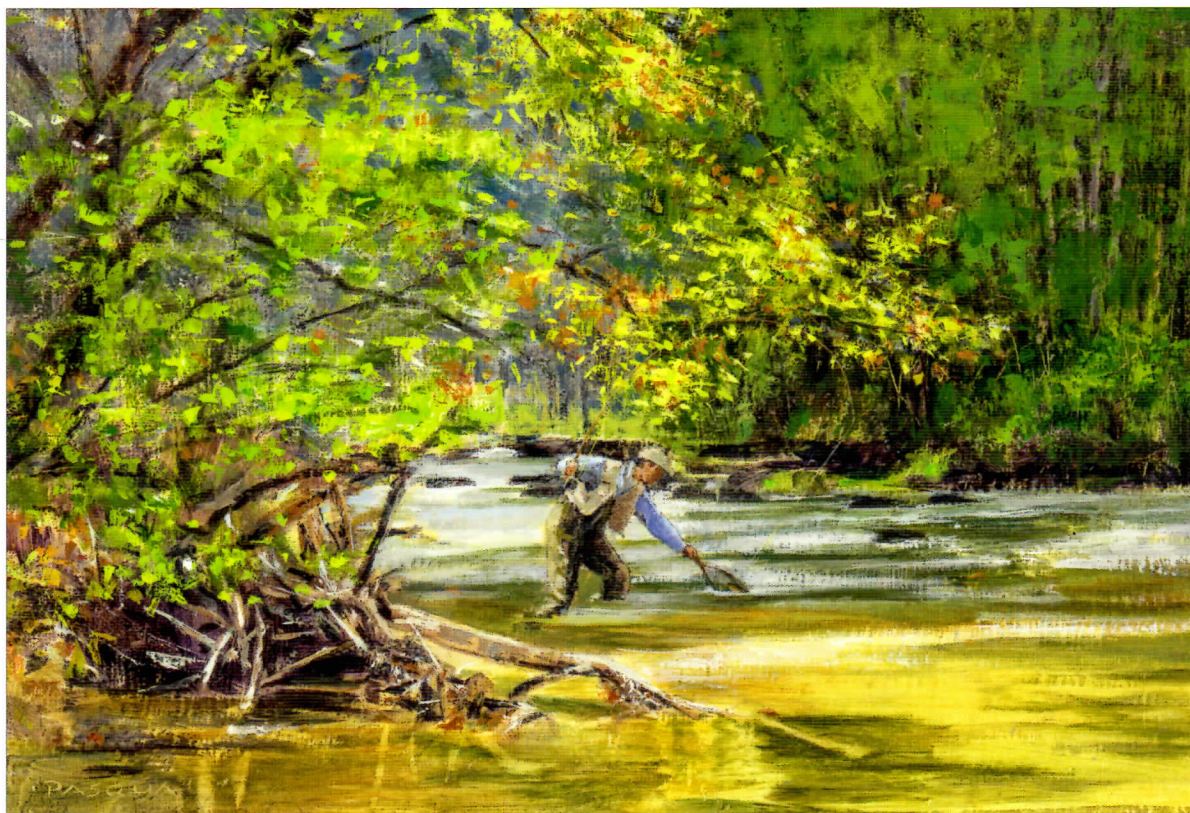


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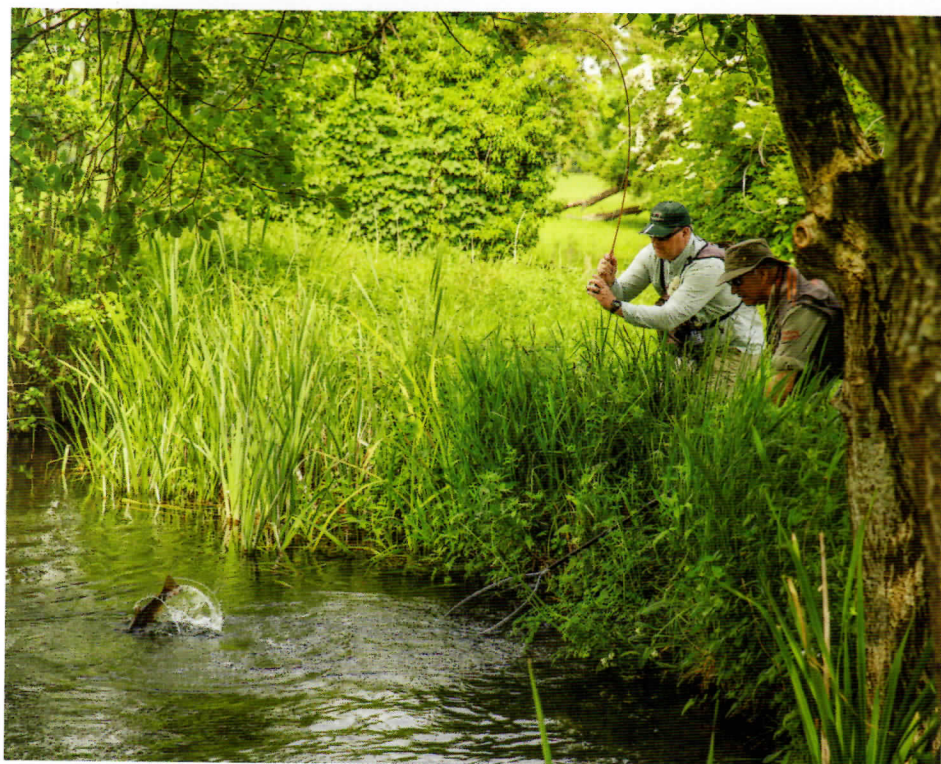
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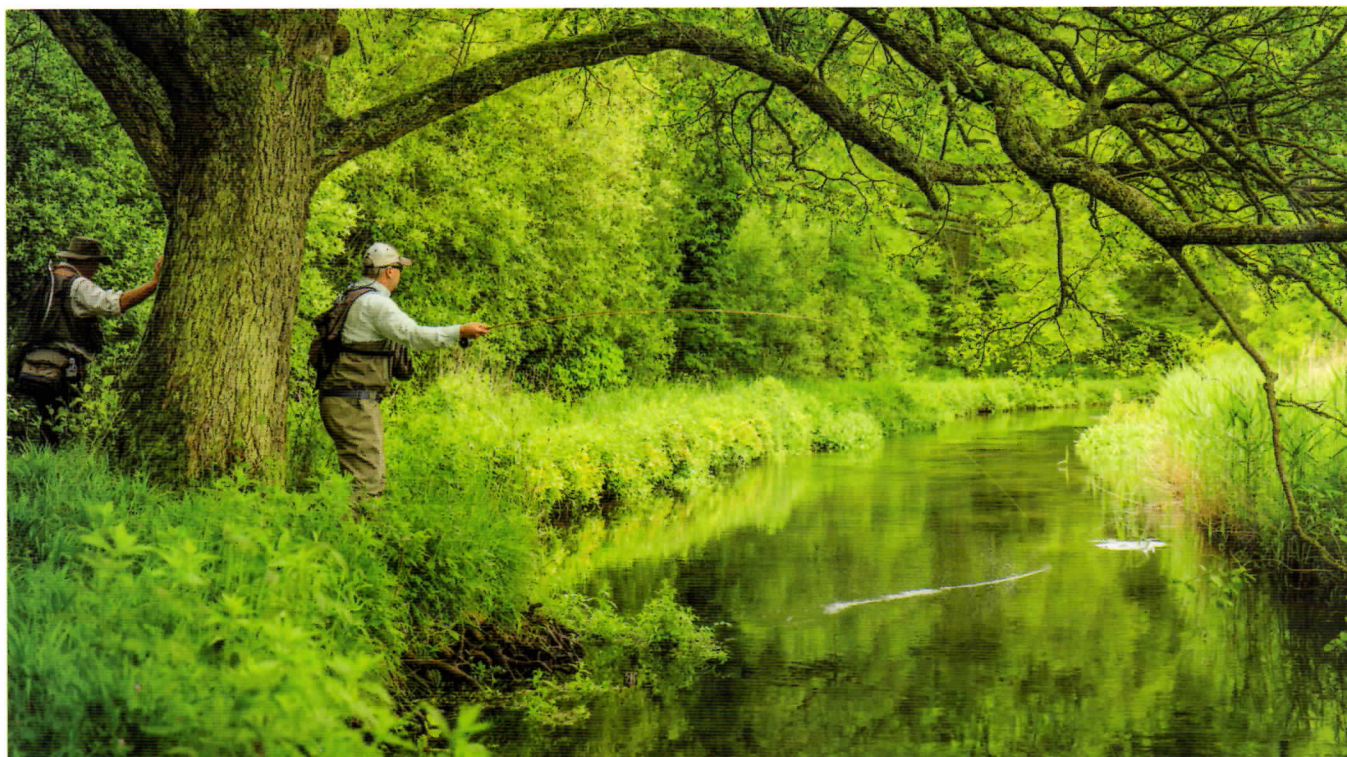
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Among the famous chalk streams of Southern England, the River Test is perhaps most famous—partially due to the writings of Frederic Halford, whose time on Test helped form his practices and theories about fishing the dry fly. Much of the fishing is still the same as in the late 1800s—upstream casts only, one hook only. Plus the weedbeds and the mayfly.









The attire . . . Well, that has changed, but you can still have the full chalk stream experience without tweed. You can count on quaint fishing houses, manicured banks, crystal clear water, and nice browns rising to dries presented as a gentleman would—with bamboo rods and silk lines. The chalk stream experience. The browns are just a part of it.

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