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Headwaters: The Adventures, Obsession, and Evolution of a Fly Fisherman

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The essays of fly fisherman Dylan Tomine's *Headwaters* cast into global waters, seeking to feed a lifelong addiction.

Tomine's angling obsession began when he caught a steelhead salmon in Oregon as a boy. His passion lured him to far-flung points in Patagonia and the Russian Arctic. Reeling in interest with its adventure-packed travel accounts, the book ruminates on fishing, fatherhood, and the environment; it also considers threats to fish, including logging, lawn chemicals, and industrialization.

First published in various magazines, these captivating pieces deliver intrigue. Their exploits are organized in chronological order, showing personal growth as well as declines in habitats and aquatic life over time. They raise alarms about climate change, the stocking of hatchery-bred fish, and other threats to the natural world as they telescope between firsthand accounts of fishing expeditions and their overriding concerns about human stewardship of natural resources and the preservation of wild fish populations for the next generation.

Balancing personal and political perspectives in a seamless fashion, the fishing memoir *Headwaters* is a heartfelt celebration of the sport of angling.

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