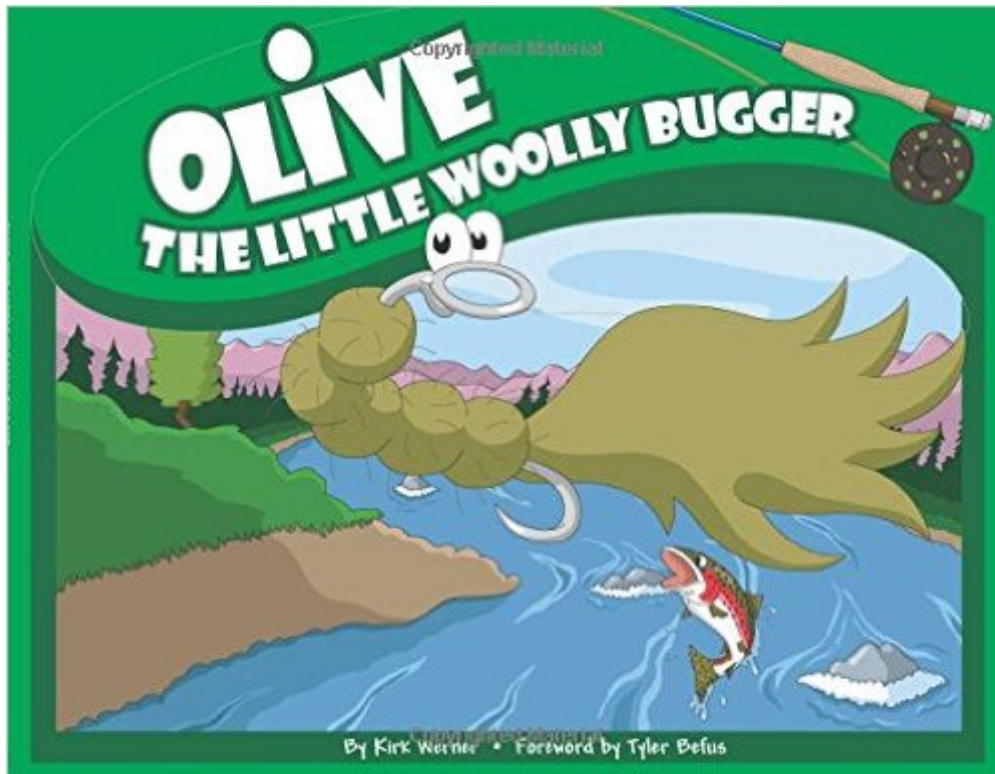


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Olive The Little Woolly Bugger (Olive Flyfishing)



Synopsis

Your children will get hooked on flyfishing with Olive and a cast of colorful characters. This is the first title in this series of great kid's books and features eye-catching illustrations, delightful dialogue, and kid-friendly facts. It is going to make a big splash!

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Pacific Northwest native Kirk Werner wrote and illustrated this delightful tale of a Woolly Bugger. (That's a kind of fishing fly. For flyfishing. Where you use a "fake" bug instead of, say, a real worm. See [here](#).) Anyway, Olive is anthropomorphized and essentially takes the place of a young child in this story. We see her attending a summer camp (Camp Tightloops, haha) for young flies to learn how to catch fish. It's a novel concept, and works well in large part due to Kirk's expressive illustrations. I don't think anyone has tried this approach before. We are taking our kids fishing for the first time this summer, and this book (in fact, this series* of books) provides the perfect introduction. Kids learn how the hooks' barbs are pinched (to facilitate Catch and Release) and why different flies (dry flies, streamers, nymphs, etc.) are used in different situations and for different fish. In less selfish terms, Olive the Little Woolly Bugger is a perfect choice for kids who are going to a new summer camp, or starting school, or really any social situation which takes them away from their parents and introduces them to new people and potential anxiety. Olive sets a good example by using her positive attitude, along with the support of her new friends, to earn a spot in The Fly Box. Ultimately, Kirk's book aims to teach a fairly common kid lit lesson--being different is good ("discover why being different is what makes Olive a splashing success"); he does so with a unique

protagonist and with humor and sensitivity, and he does so successfully. An appendix presents a dozen photographs of real flies (not real "live" flies, but real photographs of flies used in flyfishing). I think I recognize the "Andy" font which has always been one of my favorites.* I will also be reviewing the sequels, *Â Olive and the Big StreamÂ* and *Â Olive Goes for a Wild Ride*. [The reviewer was provided with a complimentary copy of the book.]

Olive the Little Woolly Bugger is a fun catch! I'm an educator and have seen and read thousands of children's books and this one is special. Having grown up fishing with my family, the topic struck a chord with me, but this book will be of high interest to those who don't fly fish as well. What's special about this book is that the theme is universal and one that all kids can relate to. The illustrations are fun and outstanding and you learn a lot while reading about Olive and her adventure. With a focus on conservation too, this book is a great catch. My daughter, who's 6 loves it but I also catch my two older kids (12 and 13) reading through it. It is a much-loved book in our home!

My husband, an avid fly fisherman, bought this book for our grandchildren in order to "brainwash" them about fly fishing and fly tying. I think it's going to work. I must admit that I even enjoyed the book. I would recommend buying not only this book, but the others in the series.

This is an amazing book with great lessons so easily reflected in it. Not only does it remind us to appreciate being active, and the enjoying the great outdoors, there are great lessons about resiliency, perseverance, and overcoming hurdles when others aren't kind. My husband enjoys fly fishing, and it was a great way for me to learn more as well. We are just reading to "the belly" now, but are confident that when our little one is here, the Olive series will be a favorite of his or hers - and certainly a parent favorite!

Olive the Little Woolly Bugger is simply a great book! It is the perfect addition to a father's fly fishing collection. This book is an exciting read with great illustrations, fly fishing knowledge and life lessons for children. It's great to have an author like Kirk out there to provide us with unique and exciting books like *Olive the Little Woolly Bugger*! Kudos Kirk!

I have the whole series of *Olive the Woolly Bugger Books*. They are great for teaching life lessons as well as tying in some fly fishing knowledge. My kids love the full color illustrations and I like how the fly fishing information is hidden and intertwined with the plot. The quality of the books is really nice.

The pages are thicker than a normal paperback. These would be great gifts for anyone that has at least a little interest in fishing.

I've just read all three Olive adventure books from cover to cover. They are so fun and well written. Flyfishing is not a thing I've done before but after reading these great books I'd like to try. I especially like the illustrations of each fly and the explanation of the different jobs they perform. Kids and adults alike will enjoy this book. I can't wait to read about new adventures Mr. Werner has in store for Olive.

What a great set of books....excellent story lines, amazing illustrations and it will really get your children hooked in fly fishing. Kind of like when we got hooked on being astronauts or super hero's. Would make great gifts for the holidays. Looking forward in more work from this writer in the future!

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