

Woodcliffe Fishing Report

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I had the privilege of fishing on the Little Pot, that runs through Woodcliffe, for an entire week between Christmas and New Year 2021. This is true wild berg river fishing at its finest. The river has so much to offer, from cascading falls to amazing runs over pristine gravel beds and deep slow-moving pools. The river produced excellent fishing consistently for the entire week. Even after heavy rain events the river cleared up very quickly due to its pristine catchment. All the fish are self-sustaining and it is wonder to see a healthy population of wild trout in such a pristine river. Both dry fly and nymphing worked exceptionally well. The scenery that goes along with the fishing is out of this world. The river can get quite low in the winter which in combination with the harsh environment means that the best fishing times are mid spring through mid-autumn. I would recommend Woodcliffe to anyone that is an avid fly-fisherman. Along with the Little Pot, the Pot River contains a very healthy population of wild trout; Woodcliffe is a great base to explore the almost un-fished waters of the Maclear area.