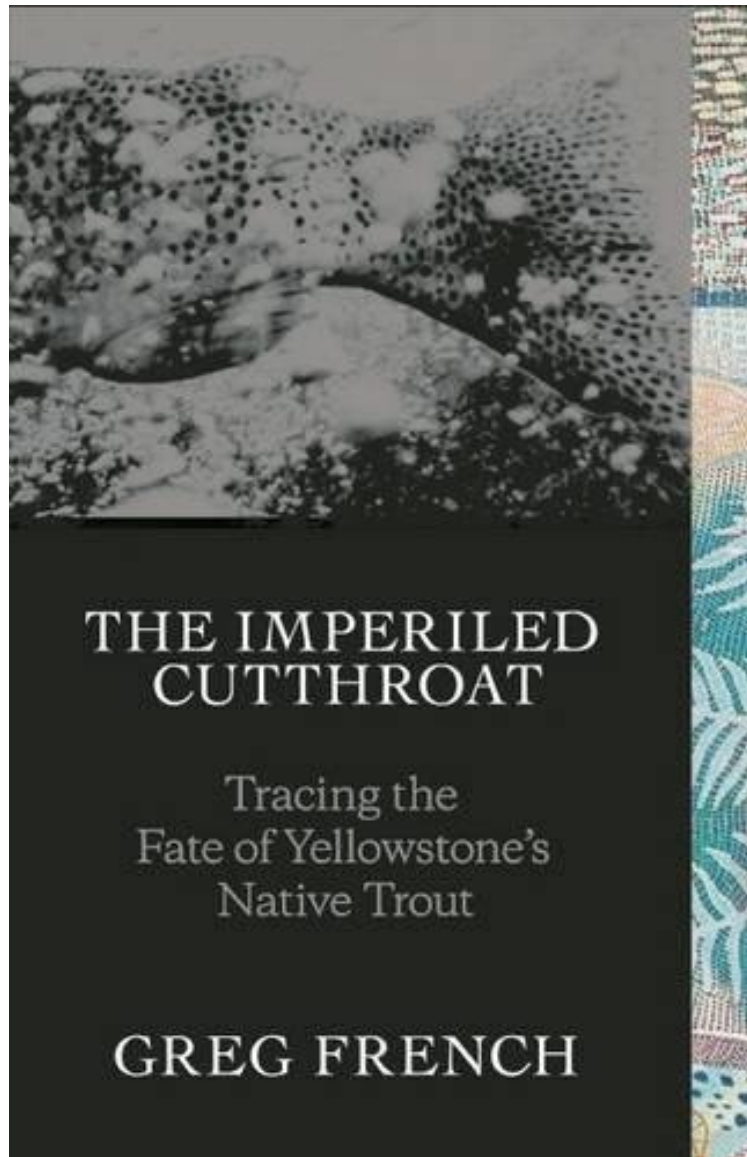


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**Greg French : The Imperiled Cutthroat: Tracing the Fate of Yellowstone's Native Trout** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Imperiled Cutthroat: Tracing the Fate of Yellowstone's Native Trout:

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Fatally flawed By MGOK if not familiar with the sources he cites.

Otherwise mostly regurgating other writers on the subject and undermining career Yellowstone fish biologists. It's not hard to find the images of Lake trout stomachs full of Cutthroat of all sizes. They are predating on cutthroat. The author keeps hinting that there is no evidence for this when there is plenty. In all of his "field" work he does not once talk to the parks main fish biologists. Major reporting failure. Most of his reporting seems to be google searches, he would do well to spend more time on the subject. It's unfortunate Bob Greswell did not follow up, or perhaps he did and his responses did not fit the authors narrative. I enjoyed the book more when it was a travelogue about the authors trip, for that it gets two stars. When he wanders into science it's not enjoyable nor reliable. YMMV.3 of 6 people found the following review helpful. On Yellowstone rivers and native cutthroats from an excellent writer. By Fishing Writing This travelogue/memoir is an ode to Yellowstone Cuts and their habitat. Greg French's writing is fresh and literate, the book is colorfully illustrated and beautifully produced. Anyone who fly fishes Yellowstone country would appreciate this fine new release. 5 Stars0 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Some interesting travelogue moments. More than a few lapses ... By Mark Stephens Some interesting travelogue moments. More than a few lapses in research and over dependence on google and lore. The author for some reason shows an antagonism towards Yellowstone Lake fisheries scientists. Apparently the down-under fishing protocol requires Polaroid sunglasses.

Yellowstone, the worlds first national park and one of Americas truly great trout fisheries, has been a crucible for ideas on how to look after wild places. Renowned Australian fishing writer Greg French gives a sparkling firsthand account of how the parks history, landscapes, wildlife, and people have touched anglers worldwide and why this matters. The Imperiled Cutthroat is a travelogue that covers the story of the Yellowstone cutthroat trout: its discovery, biology, decimation, modern-day allure, and uncertain future. Although set against the dramatic backdrop of Yellowstone, comparisons to Australia, New Zealand, and Europe are inevitable. It is a cautionary tale too, ending up in Mongolia, which is as pristine as Montana once was. The Yellowstone fishery is at a crossroads, and debate about what to do is dangerously narrow. Anglers everywhere need to be constantly reminded that hatcheries are far from a panacea for ailing fisheries: fostering conservation of the natural environment delivers far better outcomes at a fraction of the cost. The power of Gregs stories comes not just from the quality of the writing but also from the quirks and passions of the people he meets. Greg's compelling storytelling entralls anglers and naturalists the world over.

What is obvious, as French considers this and other Yellowstone dilemmas, is how sincerely the author hopes his outlier perspective might save Yellowstone fisheries from sins he has seen or at least prompt us to test assumptions. (Fly Rod Reel) Finalist, 2016 Foreword Indies Awards, Ecology Environment Finalist, 2016 Foreword Indies Awards, Sports [French] likes a good yarn, and his Yellowstone adventure is full of colourful details. There are close encounters with grizzly bears, lightning strikes and oddball Americans, as well as page after page devoted to hymning one of the worlds most dramatic landscapes. And, of course, theres also a load of information about the cutthroat, its biology and connection to Yellowstone, as well as handy descriptions of fishing conditions at sites all across the park and surrounding areas. French is never more engaging than when his eyes are on the water and the fish are rising. -- The Australian (The Australian) "Through a combination of humor, and enviable working knowledge of local and natural history, along with powers of observation honed in a lifetime of trout fishing, French conducts a casual but keen investigation into the sordid history of trout in the greater Yellowstone ecosystem." Fly Fishman Magazine "In this beautifully written memoir, Greg French fulfills an angler's dream and realizes his role in the protection of the fish he loves." -- Craig Mathews, cofounder of 1% for the Planet and owner of Blue Ribbon Flies Australian writer and legendary fisherman Greg French lays it all out for us in his new book *The Imperiled Cutthroat* (Patagonia, \$25), where he spins an enchanting narrative of a trip to the U.S. and his first exploration of Yellowstone. Led by his captivation with cutthroat, his tale takes the reader on a beautiful trip chasing trout (and running into bears) in some of the last wild waters of Tasmania, Mongolia, and Montana. His writing seems effortless and balanced, often philosophical, with just enough humor to offset heavier themes of conservation and history. Outside Bozeman Magazine "...an interesting read for anyone who is interested in conservational work and the protection of our beloved trout." fin-chasers.com